

## ACADEMY OF YOUNG DIPLOMATS

### 2019 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

7<sup>th</sup> December 2019 | KSAP National School of Public Administration, Wawelska 56, Warsaw

#### 15:00– 15:40 **Knight of Freedom Award**

*Opening of the Ceremony*

**Prof. Katarzyna Pisarska**, Director, European Academy of Diplomacy

*Choir Performance of Ode to Joy*

*Introduction to the Knight of Freedom Award*

**Zbigniew Pisarski**, President, Casimir Pulaski Foundation

*Laudation for the Knight of Freedom Recipient*

**Linos-Alexandre Sicilianos**, President of the European Court of Human Rights

*Reception of the Award and Speech by the Knight of Freedom Recipient*

**Thorbjørn Jagland**, Secretary-General of the Council of Europe (2009-2019)

#### 15:40 – 16:00 **Graduation of the Academy of Young Diplomats**

*Presentation of honor diplomas to the graduates of the XV Edition of the AYD*

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#### 16:00 – 16:30 **Commencement of the Academy of Young Diplomats**

*Introduction to the 2019/2020 Edition*

**Jan Wojciech Piekarski**, Head of the Council of Ambassadors, European Academy of Diplomacy

*Introduction to the AYD Patron – Prof. Maria Skłodowska-Curie*

**Frédéric Petit**, Member of the French National Assembly, Representative of French residents in Central Europe and the Balkans

*Presentation of the Scholarships for the Academy of Young Diplomats*

**Zbigniew Pisarski**, President, Casimir Pulaski Foundation

**Grażyna Melanowicz**, Member of the Council, PZU Foundation

**Dr. Angelika Klein**, Director, Konrad Adenauer Foundation in Poland

**Jan Pabisiak**, Vice President of the Polish Forum of Young Diplomats

*Choir performance of Gaudeamus Igitur*

#### 16:30 – 17:00 **Networking Break**

#### 17:00 – 18:00 **Panel: The state of human rights & democracy in Europe. A reflection for the XXI century.**

*2019 Alumni of the Year Award presentation - Introduction of Awardees & Speeches*

**Wanda Buk**, 9<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Academy of Young Diplomats

**Aron Thyr**, 13<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Academy of Young Diplomats

*Panel*

**Thorbjørn Jagland**, Secretary-General of the Council of Europe (2009-2019)

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**Prof. Katarzyna Pisarska**, Director, European Academy of Diplomacy – moderator

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