On the occasion of the launch of the new book *Nuclear Multilateralism and Iran*, you are cordially invited to a SIPRI conversation event

**Nuclear multilateralism and Iran—What lessons can be drawn for EU policymakers?**

In 2015 the European Union, Russia, the United States and Iran agreed the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), regulating Iran’s nuclear programme and lifting sanctions. Now tensions are rising again. Against this background, Tarja Cronberg provides a strategic analysis of 12 years of EU nuclear negotiations with Iran.

How did the EU succeed in framing the negotiations to prevent the development of nuclear weapons? How will the JCPOA influence forthcoming Iranian presidential elections? What is the role of EU–Russia cooperation in the Joint Commission that monitors implementation? What steps can be taken towards establishing the Middle East as a nuclear weapon free zone?

**Thursday, 9 March 2017, 14.00–15.30 at SIPRI, Signalstgatan 9, Solna**

**Programme** Coffee will be served at 13.30 and the discussion will begin at 14.00.

**Panellists**
- *Dr Tarja Cronberg*, Distinguished Associate Fellow, SIPRI, and former Chair to European Parliament’s delegation for relations with Iran
- *Ambassador Michael Sahlin*, Distinguished Associate Fellow, SIPRI, and former Swedish Ambassador to Turkey

**Moderator**
*Dan Smith*, Director of SIPRI

Please confirm your participation by **Wednesday, 8 March** to Ms Cynthia Loo, SIPRI Senior Management Assistant, Tel: 08-655 97 51, email: cloo@sipri.org.

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About the book

**Nuclear Multilateralism and Iran**

*Inside EU Negotiations*

**By Tarja Cronberg**

Drawing on the author’s personal experience, this book presents an insider’s chronology and policy analysis of the EU’s role in the nuclear negotiations with Iran.

The European Union strives to be a global player, a “soft power” leader that can influence international politics and state behavior. Yet critics argue that the EU’s Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) remains largely ineffective and incoherent. The EU’s early and continuous involvement in the effort to dissuade Iran from developing nuclear weapons can be viewed as a test case for the EU as a global actor.

As Chair of the European Parliament’s delegation for relations with Iran, Tarja Cronberg had a ringside seat in the negotiations to prevent Iran from developing nuclear weapons. Drawing on her experiences leading a parliamentary delegation to Iran and interviews with officials, legislators and opposition leaders in nearly every country participating in the negotiations, as well as reports by the International Atomic Energy Agency, parliaments and independent experts, the author illustrates an insider’s strategic understanding of the negotiations. Intersecting history, politics, economics, culture and the broader security context, this book not only delivers a unique analysis of this historic deal and the twelve-year multilateral pursuit of it, but draws from it pertinent lessons for European policy makers for the future.

This book will be of much interest to students of nuclear proliferation, EU policy, diplomacy and international relations in general.

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