NAVAL & MARITIME DEFENSE

8.30 – 8.55  Registration

8.55 – 9.00  Welcome Speech
Dr Xavier Pasco, Director of the Foundation for Strategic Research (FRS)

9.00 – 9.15  Opening Remarks
French Navy and High-Intensity Warfare : Evolving Threat, Training Issues
Admiral Pierre Vandier, Chief of Staff of the French Navy

9.15 – 10.40  Naval Forces facing High-Intensity Combat
[Moderator] VAdm Patrick Hébrard, Associate Senior Research Fellow, FRS
  1. The High-Intensity Naval Warfare : Fundamentals and Trends
     Vice Admiral Nicolas Vaujour*, Deputy Chief of Staff « Operations », French Joint Staff
  2. NATO’s Maritime Strategy : Lessons from Russia’s War on Ukraine
     Vice Admiral Keith Blount CB OB*, Commander of NATO’s Allied Maritime Command (MARCOM)
  3. Strengthening Naval Forces’ Capabilities through Cooperation : the Swedish Perspective
     Brigadier General Patric Hjorth*, Head of Naval Division, FMV
  4. Operational Context and Capability Implications of High-Intensity
     Philippe Gros, Senior Research Fellow, FRS

10.40 – 11.00  Break

11.00 – 12.30  Naval Warfare and Technological Advantages
[Moderator] Dr Nicolas Mazzucchi, Research Director, Strategic Studies Center of the French Navy
  1. The Future of Aircraft Carriers : Technological Perspectives
     Bryan Clark*, Senior Fellow and Director, Center for Defense Concepts and Technology, Hudson Institute
  2. Integration of Unmanned and Autonomous Systems in Naval Combat
     Naval Group
     Xavier Mesnet, Director of the Naval Segment, Thales
     MBDA UK
  5. Space Resources and Naval Operations
     Didier Alary, consultant DATech, Senior Research Fellow Chaire SIRIUS

12.30 – 12.45  Address by the Chief Executive of the Direction générale pour l’armement (DGA)

12.45 – 13.00  Concluding Remarks by Pierre Eric Pommellet, Chairman of the GICAN

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