

Inspector of the Polish Navy President, U.S. Naval War College Rector-Commandant, Polish Naval Academy





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Commodore Ivo Värk Commander Estonian Navy

Dear Commodore Värk,

On behalf of the Polish Navy, the Polish Naval Academy and the U.S. Naval War College, you are cordially invited to attend the Twenty-Second U.S. Naval War College Regional Alumni Symposium (RAS) scheduled to be held at the Polish Naval Academy in Gdynia, Poland from 01-03 April 2025.

This RAS will focus upon strengthening global maritime partnerships in an era of Great Power Competition. A number of senior U.S. and international Flag Officers are expected to attend, including the Inspector of the Polish Navy, the Commander of U.S. Naval Forces Europe and Africa, and the Commander of U.S. Sixth Fleet. Of course, U.S. Naval War College alumni commanding regional navies and coast guards will also be in attendance. Esteemed alumni like yourself will enhance the level of discussion taking place and provide an opportunity for professional networking among the best and brightest officers in the region.

Should your schedule not permit you to attend, we invite you to send other representatives to participate in the Symposium. Funds have been set aside to cover travel expenses for 2 officers from your Navy, although more are welcome to attend if they can secure their own funding. Ideally, they should be graduates of the U.S. Naval War College; however, we welcome accomplished officers from your service with exceptional operational and staff experience. A list of recent U.S. Naval War College alumni from your Service is enclosed for convenience.

Symposium attendees can register at: https://nwcevents.wufoo.com/forms/raspoland-registration-april-2025/. Registration will open on 15 November 2024. Please have your chosen delegates register as soon as they are identified, but not later than 14 February 2025. Information on the event, including schedule, conference location and hotel accommodations can be accessed at: https://usnwc.edu/News-and-Events/Events/22nd-Regional-Alumni-Symposium. Additional questions regarding the symposium should be addressed to Mr. Parker Glasier, Regional Alumni Symposium Project Manager, who can be reached by phone at +1 401-856 5214 or via e-mail at RAS@usnwc.edu.

We look forward to seeing you in Gdynia.

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Enclosure: (1) Recent U.S. Naval War College graduates