

	<p>Thursday 21 – Friday 22 October 2021 Meeting of NATO Ministers of Defence #DefMin NATO HQ - BRUSSELS MEDIA PROGRAMME</p>
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In order to comply with COVID-19 safety measures, only journalists who have been notified that they can cover the meeting in person will be allowed in. Accreditation is now closed. For more information, please consult the [media advisory](#).

******* 20 October 2021 (pre-ministerial day) *******

12:00 – 15:00 NATO Site entrance. **Accreditation*** / Delivery of media passes needed for access on 20, 21 and 22 October 2021.

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12:30 – 13:30 **Background Briefing on NATO’s innovation efforts** with senior NATO Official – Washington Treaty Room. Open to all accredited journalists. No photos or video recordings.

15:00 **Pre-ministerial Press Conference by the NATO Secretary General - Main Press Theatre.**

- Open to media representatives registered on-line, as well as those covering the Ministerial meeting in person.
- **Media representatives who want to ask questions remotely to the Secretary General during the press conference need to register in advance.** For more information, please consult the [media advisory](#).
- Available live in multiple languages on the NATO Website, on satellite (worldfeed), on Twitter and Facebook

******* 21 October 2021 *******

08:00 – 18:00 NATO Site entrance. **Accreditation*** / Delivery of media passes needed for access on 20, 21 and 22 October 2021

08:30 – 10:00 Information desk. **Distribution of pool cards for videographers and photographers**

NATO SECRETARY GENERAL’S DOORSTEP
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10:00 **Secretary General’s doorstep – NATO Official Entrance**

- Please wear a mask at the doorstep location
- No sound system on site – own microphones only
- Available live on the NATO Website, on CCTV, on satellite, to TV/radio editing space and afterwards on www.natomultimedia.tv

Ministers' arrivals/doorsteps available live from NATO on CCTV and to editing space (original language)

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12:30 Short remarks by the NATO Secretary General and US Secretary of Defence

- Available live on the NATO website, on CCTV, and after the event to the editing space and on www.natomultimedia.tv
- A transcript of the Secretary General's remarks will be available afterwards on the NATO Website.

MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL (NAC) IN DEFENCE MINISTERS' SESSION
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12:30 Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop – ground floor Public Square. Pools 1&2 of visual media only depart to cover the meeting of the NAC in Defence Ministers' Session in Room 2.

13:00 Meeting of the North Atlantic Council (NAC) in Defence Ministers' session

At location coverage of the beginning of the meeting by pools 1&2.

Public opening remarks by the Secretary General

- Video and transcript will be available afterwards on the NATO Website, and on www.natomultimedia.tv

15:00 End of meeting of NAC in Defence Ministers' Session.

OFFICIAL PHOTO

14:45 Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop – ground floor Public Square. Pool 3 of visual media only departs to cover the Official Family Photo of the NATO Defence Ministers.

15:05 Official Photo

- Please wear a mask at the Family Photo location
- Available live on the NATO Website, on CCTV, on satellite, to TV/Radio editing space and afterwards on www.natomultimedia.tv

MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL (NAC) IN DEFENCE MINISTERS' SESSION
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15:00 Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop – ground floor Public Square. Pools 4&5 of visual media only depart to cover the meeting of the NAC in Defence Ministers' Session in Room 2.

15:30 Meeting of the North Atlantic Council (NAC) in Defence Ministers' session

At location coverage of the beginning of the meeting by pools 4&5.

Public opening remarks by the Secretary General

- Video and transcript will be available afterwards on the NATO Website, and on www.natomultimedia.tv

17:30 End of meeting of NAC in Defence Ministers' Session.

SIGNATURE CEREMONIES: LETTERS OF INTENT ON GROUND BASED AIR DEFENCE AND ON CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL, RADIOLOGICAL AND NUCLEAR DEFENCE
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18:00 The NATO Deputy Secretary General speaks at two events for the signing of Letters of Intent on Ground Based Air Defence and on Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Defence by Defence Ministers of several allied nations.

- No media pool
- Available afterwards to the editing space, and on www.natomultimedia.tv

NATO SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRESS CONFERENCE
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18:00 Press Conference by the NATO Secretary General - Main Press Theatre

- Open to media representatives registered on-line, as well as those covering the Ministerial meeting in person.
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***** 22 October 2021 *****

06:30 – 12:30 NATO Site entrance. **Accreditation*** / Delivery of media passes needed for access on 20, 21 and 22 October 2021.

07:00 – 08:30 Information desk. **Distribution of pool cards for videographers and photographers**

SIGNING CEREMONY - NATO INNOVATION FUND
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07:45 Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop. Pool A of visual media only departs to cover the signing ceremony.

08:15 The NATO Secretary General speaks at the signing of the Declaration of Intent for the NATO Innovation Fund

- Available afterwards to the Radio/TV editing space, and on www.natomultimedia.tv

**MEETING OF THE NATO NUCLEAR PLANNING GROUP (NPG)
IN DEFENCE MINISTERS' SESSION**

08:30 – 10:00 Meeting of the NATO Nuclear Planning Group in Defence Ministers' session
No media pool, no public opening remarks – arrivals available live from NATO on CCTV

**MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL (NAC)
IN DEFENCE MINISTERS' SESSION WITH EU PARTNERS¹**

10:00 Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop – ground floor Public Square.
Pools B&C of visual media only depart to cover the meeting of the NAC in Defence Ministers' Session with EU partners.

10:30 Meeting of the North Atlantic Council (NAC) in Defence Ministers' session with EU partners
At location coverage of the beginning of the meeting by pools B&C.
Public opening remarks by the Secretary General

- Video and transcript will be available afterwards on the NATO Website, and on www.natomultimedia.tv

12:30 End of meeting of NAC in Defence Ministers' Session.

NATO SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRESS CONFERENCE

12:45 Press Conference by the NATO Secretary General - Main Press Theatre

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Note: Some national delegations may organise their own media briefings during the Ministerial meeting. Where possible, time and location will be announced on the CCTV. For further information, please contact the national delegations directly.

Transcripts, photos and videos of the press conferences will be available on the NATO website and www.natomultimedia.tv after each event.

¹ The Minister of Defence of the Republic of Finland, The Minister of Defence of the Kingdom of Sweden and the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/ Vice-President of the European Commission are invited to attend.