Changing Tides of History
CRUISING THE
Baltic Sea

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Featuring Guest Speakers

LECH WAłęSA
Former President of Poland

and

SERGEI KHRUSHCHEV
Son of Nikita Khrushchev

and with Professor Eliot A. Cohen

June 15 to 24, 2016
Dear Alumni & Friends:

Encounter the lands and legacies forged by centuries of Baltic history and hear firsthand from a participant in pivotal 20th-century moments—former President of Poland, Lech Wałęsa, and Sergei Khrushchev, the son of Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

We are pleased to offer this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet and attend enriching lectures by President Wałęsa, a historic world leader and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, and Dr. Khrushchev, a noted author and award-winning scholar, on this unique Baltic Sea voyage. One of the great cruises of the world, it features six Baltic countries and seven UNESCO World Heritage sites and is scheduled during the best time of year when you can experience the luminous “White Nights” of the summer solstice.

Experience the cultural rebirth of the Baltic States and imperial treasures of St. Petersburg, Russia, while cruising aboard the exclusively chartered, Five-Star small ship M.S. Le Boreal, which features only 110 deluxe Suites and Staterooms, providing all the luxury and sophistication of a fine hotel. In the tradition of ancient Viking mariners and medieval merchants, set forth from Denmark’s beautiful and sophisticated, innovative and exceptionally “green” capital city of Copenhagen to the cosmopolitan and royal Swedish capital of Stockholm. Immerse yourself in the historic epicenter of the Solidarity movement in Gdańsk, Poland; enjoy the well-preserved medieval Old Town of Tallinn, Estonia; and spend two days docked in the heart of regal St. Petersburg, with an early-opening tour of the world-acclaimed State Hermitage Museum and visits to the Peter and Paul Fortress and the spectacular czarist palaces at Petrodvorets and Pushkin. Discover the stunning architecture of Helsinki, Finland; and tour the seldom-visited Hanseatic League town of Visby on Sweden’s Gotland Island. During the extraordinary Wonders of Norway Pre-Cruise Option, visit the vibrant city of Bergen and travel through stunning fjordlands and majestic mountains by private cruise and one of the world’s most scenic train rides.

This comprehensive and exclusive travel offering includes Five-Star accommodations, a specially arranged shore excursion in each port and all meals. I urge you to make your reservation soon, as capacity is limited and this popular program sells out quickly.

Cordially,

Marguerite Ingalls Jones

Study Leader

Eliot A. Cohen is Robert E. Osgood Professor of Strategic Studies at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), where he also founded and directs the Philip Merrill Center for Strategic Studies and has on several occasions won the SAIS Excellence in Teaching Prize. An expert in national security policy and a military historian, he has written or edited eight books on subjects from civil-military relations to the origins of the American way of war, with another due to appear in 2016. He has a long career of government service as well, to include most recently two years as Counselor of the Department of State, where he was Condoleezza Rice’s senior adviser on foreign policy, with particular emphasis on Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Russia and Iran.
U.S.
Wednesday, June 15
Depart the U.S.

Copenhagen,
Denmark
Thursday, June 16
Arrive in Copenhagen, the
cosmopolitan and lively Danish capital,
and embark the Five-Star M.S. Le Boreal.

Visby, Gotland Island, Sweden
Friday, June 17
Call at the Baltic island of Gotland, rich
in Swedish history with abundant ancient
sites and more than 100 medieval churches.
The marvelous Old Town of Visby, the
former Baltic center of the Hanseatic League,
is a UNESCO World Heritage site and
arguably the best preserved medieval city
in Scandinavia. On the walking tour of this
“city of roses,” see the 13th-century walls,
the original medieval gates, towers and
stone warehouses. Tour the iconic
Cathedral of St. Mary—the only one
of Visby’s Gothic churches not in
ruins today—and the Gotlands
Historical Museum. Enjoy time at
leisure before returning to the ship.
This evening, attend the Captain’s
Welcome Reception.

Gdańsk, Poland/Lech Wałęsa
Saturday, June 18
Once a flourishing Hanseatic League
port, today Gdańsk showcases its glorious
architectural heritage in the meticulously
restored, elegant patrician mansions
featuring late Renaissance and Baroque
façades in the Stare Miasto (Old Town).
Stroll along the pedestrian-only
Droga Królewska (the Royal Route) to
see the iconic Neptune’s Fountain and
visit the 14th-century Artus Court, a
Gothic guildhall inspired by the ideals
of Britain’s legendary King Arthur; it
now houses a fascinating collection of
Polish artifacts.

In 1980, workers led by Lech Wałęsa
founded the Solidarity movement, the first
independent trade union in Eastern Europe
and the key factor in winning the Polish
struggle against Communism. Visit the
historic Lenin Shipyard, where the
movement began, and its Monument to
the Fallen Shipyard Workers. Enjoy time
to explore Gdańsk’s lovely Old Town at
your own pace.

By special arrangement, meet the leader
of the Solidarity movement, former President
of Poland and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate
Lech Wałęsa, on board the ship this evening.
Mr. Wałęsa will discuss his perspective on
Solidarity, globalization and progress in the
region, with time for questions and answers.

Cruising the Baltic Sea
Sunday, June 19
Spend the day at leisure cruising the
Baltic Sea while enjoying a series of
enriching lectures.

Cover photo: Spanning 14 small islands where shimmering Lake Mälaren meets one of the largest archipelagos in the Baltic Sea, Stockholm balances medieval and Renaissance architecture with modern urban design.

Photo this page: Peter the Great himself partially engineered the resplendent plexus of waterfalls, fountains and statues that front the sumptuous Grand Palace at Petrodvorets, outside of St. Petersburg.
Tallinn, Estonia  
Monday, June 20  
Having largely escaped the ravages of World War II, Tallinn’s Old Town, now a UNESCO World Heritage site, has remained virtually unchanged for 600 years. During the walking tour, see Toompea Castle—the seat of Estonia’s Parliament—the landmark Alexander Nevsky Cathedral and the 13th-century Church of St. Nicholas. Visit the medieval Town Hall, the only intact Gothic-style hall in Northern Europe. Enjoy free time to explore Tallinn’s Old Town before returning to the ship.

St. Petersburg, Russia  
Tuesday, June 21  
Peter the Great founded majestic St. Petersburg in 1703 as his “Window on the West.” After cruising into the heart of the city, enjoy a specially arranged, early-entry guided tour of one of the world’s greatest art repositories, the incomparable State Hermitage Museum. Former czarist palace of Catherine the Great and a UNESCO World Heritage site, its spectacular collections are rivaled only by the museum’s lavish interior.

This afternoon’s panoramic tour of the city’s historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage site, features legendary landmarks scattered across more than 100 islands and linked by more than three times as many bridges.

St. Petersburg’s main thoroughfare, Nevsky Prospekt, showcases exquisite examples of Russian Baroque and neoclassical architecture. See the ornate Church of Our Savior on Spilled Blood (Church of the Resurrection of Christ), built on the site of Emperor Alexander II’s assassination, and the 19th-century St. Isaac’s Cathedral, with a striking golden dome that is one of the glories of the city’s skyline. Visit St. Petersburg’s first building, the Peter and Paul Fortress, constructed to secure the country’s access to the sea, and the impressive Baroque Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, containing the tombs of 32 czars, from Peter the Great to Nicholas II, the last of the Romanovs.

The evening is at leisure. An optional opportunity to attend a Russian folklore show performed in the Nikolaevsky Art Center is offered.

St. Petersburg  
Wednesday, June 22  
This morning, visit the imperial compound of Pushkin and Catherine the Great’s elaborate rococo palace, a UNESCO World Heritage site, highlighted by a special visit to the extraordinary Amber Room, said to be the “Eighth Wonder of the World.” Then, savor a lunch of traditional Russian specialties.

The traditional fishing boats and colorful edifices along Copenhagen’s Nyhavn canal retain the waterfront’s authentic 18th-century maritime character.
Enjoy a guided tour of the splendid parklands and extravagant Grand Palace of Petrodvorets, a UNESCO World Heritage site, commissioned by Peter the Great to rival the Palace of Versailles. The elaborately landscaped grounds feature magnificent formal gardens and cascading fountains. Return to St. Petersburg by hydrofoil, skimming over the Gulf of Finland.

**Helsinki, Finland**  
**Thursday, June 23**

Helsinki was named the 2012 World Design Capital for its innovative use of design in stimulating an urban environment. Stand on deck as the ship approaches the city for the best view of the 18th-century maritime fortress of Suomenlinna, a UNESCO World Heritage site. On a panoramic city tour, see the stately Senate Square and the diplomatic quarter of Kaivopuisto. Visit the modernistic Temppeliaukio Church, or “Church of the Rock,” impressively hewn out of natural bedrock. Enjoy free time to explore Helsinki’s lively Market Square before reboarding the ship.

This evening, attend the Captain’s Farewell Reception.

**Stockholm, Sweden/U.S.**  
**Friday, June 24**

Be on deck as you cruise through the scenic Stockholm archipelago, the gateway to the magnificent “Venice of the North.” Disembark and continue on to explore the historic splendor and dramatic beauty of Stockholm on the Post-Cruise Option or depart for the U.S.

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Chic and Casual Dining
International and regional cuisine is served in the stylish, spacious La Licorne dining room in single, unassigned seatings; alfresco in the casual La Boussole Restaurant; or from 24-hour room service. Continental and buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and a four-course dinner are served daily. Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are served throughout the cruise.

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World-Class Service and Facilities
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Acclaimed Guest Speakers

◆ Former Polish President and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Lech Wałęsa.
◆ Scholar and author Sergei Khrushchev, son of Soviet Union Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

Included Features
On board the exclusively chartered, Five-Star Small Ship M.S. Le BORÉAL

◆ Eight-night cruise from Copenhagen, Denmark, to Stockholm, Sweden, featuring port calls at Visby, Sweden; Gdańsk, Poland; Tallinn, Estonia; St. Petersburg, Russia; and Helsinki, Finland.
◆ Spacious, Five-Star, 100% ocean-view Suite or Stateroom accommodations, each with a private bathroom.
◆ Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
◆ All meals—continental breakfast, buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and dinner—throughout the cruise, featuring fine international and regional cuisine, served at single, unassigned seatings.
◆ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages served throughout the cruise.
◆ Walking tour of the UNESCO World Heritage site and historic former Hanseatic city of Visby on the island of Gotland.
◆ Tour of the historic port city of Gdansk, including its notable Lenin Shipyard and Old Town.
◆ Walking tour of Tallinn’s historic and medieval quarters, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
◆ Specially arranged, early entry to St. Petersburg’s world-renowned State Hermitage Museum, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
◆ City tour of St. Petersburg, a UNESCO World Heritage site, featuring a visit to the Peter and Paul Fortress.
◆ Excursion to two UNESCO World Heritage sites—Peter the Great’s Petrodvorets and Catherine the Great’s palace in Pushkin, featuring the acclaimed Amber Room— including a lunch of traditional Russian specialties.
◆ City tour of Helsinki featuring a visit to Temppeliaukio Church and a view of the old fortifications of the UNESCO World Heritage site of Suomenlinna.

Enhanced Travel Services
◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad for participants whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
◆ All excursions and visits, as outlined above, with experienced, English-speaking local guides.
◆ Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
◆ An optional cultural performance in St. Petersburg is available at additional cost.
◆ Hospitality desk aboard the ship.
◆ The services of experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors throughout the program.
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◆ Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
◆ Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
By exclusive arrangement, Lech Wałęsa, former president of Poland (1990 to 1995), Polish hero and international icon in the pursuit of freedom and democracy, will meet with our group on board the M.S. LE BORÉAL.

From his position as a marine electrician in Gdansk’s Lenin Shipyard, Mr. Wałęsa emerged as a world-renowned figure in the struggle against Communism during the 1980 shipyard workers’ strike and the establishment of the Polish Solidarity labor movement. Despite winning the right to form an independent union, Mr. Wałęsa and Solidarity continued to confront the Soviet-backed regime of General Wojciech Jaruzelski, which jailed Mr. Wałęsa and imposed martial law in Poland in December 1981. Mr. Wałęsa was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1983, a watershed moment widely considered to have been the first crack in the Soviet Union’s Iron Curtain, which crumbled with the Berlin Wall in 1989. Mr. Wałęsa became the first foreign non-head of state to address a joint meeting of the U.S. Congress in 1989.

A distinguished author and scholar, Dr. Sergei Khrushchev is the son of former Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev (1957-1964) and a visiting professor of Slavic studies at Brown University, where he has also served as a senior fellow at the Watson Institute for International Studies. Dr. Khrushchev’s research has focused on the history of the Cold War and the turning points in relations between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. in the Khrushchev, Eisenhower and Kennedy periods; the history of Soviet missiles and space development, in which he played an active role; and the Soviet Union’s transformation from centralized to decentralized government and market economy. He co-authored his father’s memoirs, The Time, the People, the Power (1999), and translated them into English (2005-2007). Dr. Khrushchev is a popular commentator for the American media and the author of more than 350 books and articles, including Khrushchev on Khrushchev (1990), Nikita Khrushchev: Crisis and Missiles (1994) and Nikita Khrushchev and the Creation of a Super Power (2000).

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