

Istituto Affari Internazionali and the European Union Institute for Security Studies are glad to invite you to a panel discussion on

EASTERN PARTNERSHIP AT 10: THE WAY FORWARD?

**7 FEBRUARY 2020
16:30-18:00**

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The Eastern Partnership turned 10. The European Commission launched in 2019 the structural consultations with multiple stakeholders on the future of the Eastern Partnership. Intra-institutional process and consultations with the EU MS are still under way on how to adopt the Eastern Partnership to the domestic transformations in the partner countries, but also to the changing security landscape in the region. At the same time, the mission letter addressed to the Commissioner-designate for neighbourhood and enlargement explicitly requests the upcoming commissioner “to put forward a new set of long-term policy objectives for the Eastern Partnership by mid-2020.” This round table proposes to feed the ongoing reflection process in the EU institutions. Firstly, it aims to highlight the key achievements of the program and identify trends which will shape the politics and economics in the EU’s eastern neighbourhood in the coming decade. Secondly, the debate seeks to identify the lessons to be learned and generate ideas on how to improve the Eastern Partnership.

PROGRAMME

16:30 **Welcome and introductory remarks**

NATHALIE TOCCI Director, IAI

16:45 **Panel discussion**

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Open debate

Moderator

NONA MIKHELIDZE Head of the Eastern Europe and Eurasia Programme, IAI

18:00 End of meeting