



EU Global Strategy - Energy and Climate Securities in a Geostrategic Context

Final Agenda

16 June 2017

Location Conference:

CEPS Conference Room, Place du Congrès 1, 1000 Brussels

The EU Global Strategy of 2016 identified five strategic priority actions: i) security & defence, ii) building resilience and taking an integrated approach, iii) strengthening the internal/external nexus, iv) updating existing strategies and preparing new one and v) enhancing public diplomacy. In March 2017, the EU Foreign Affairs Council agreed on strengthening the synergies between the relevant elements of the climate and energy diplomacies as part of the implementation of the EU Global Strategy and established a set of overall climate priorities for 2017.

In parallel, the global energy and climate security outlook is changing based on various developments, including the end of the resource boom, the entry into force of the Paris Agreement, profound technological changes in energy supply and demand (e.g. shale gas and oil, digital revolution, renewables becoming cost competitive), the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as well as gradual adaptation to climate change.

This conference is organised jointly by the EEAS and three prominent think tanks CEPS, IDDRI and IAI. Participants will:

- Focus on issues such as energy and climate as drivers of conflict and migration and examine how a renewed and integrated EU approach to both energy security and climate security can help reinforce global security and strengthen European resilience.
- Discuss the evolving changes, their implications and possible policy options for the EU. In that sense the event could help identify the major security risks and how the EU can best address them.

Special attention will be given to energy security and the security implications of climate change in light of the objective of ensuring a resilient European Union, as outlined in the EU Global Strategy.

16 June 2017, 08:30-17:00

VENUE: CEPS CONFERENCE ROOM, PLACE DU CONGRÈS 1, 1000 BRUSSELS

08:30-09:00 Registration

09:00-09:30 Welcome by **Christian Egenhofer**, Director, CEPS Energy Climate House
Opening speeches by
Christian Leffler, Deputy Secretary General, European External Action Service
Christopher Jones, Deputy Director General, DG Energy, European Commission

09:30-11:00 PANEL 1. SCOPING THE SECURITY DIMENSION: ENERGY AND CLIMATE

How energy and climate security risks are affecting the EU's internal resilience and the implications for the global and regional landscape, including the neighbourhood.

Moderator: **Marc Giacomini**, Director, EEAS

Speakers (8-10 minutes each):

- **Manuel Pulgar**, Head of Climate and Energy, WWF
- **Marc-Antoine Eyl-Mazzega**, Russia Programme Manager, International Energy Agency
- **Julijus Grubliauskas**, Staff Officer, Energy Security Section, NATO
- **Kirsten Westphal**, Senior Associate, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik

Discussion

11:00-11:30 BREAK

11:30-13:00 PANEL 2. BUILDING RESILIENCE: THE ROLE OF THE ENERGY/CLIMATE TRANSITION

How the deepening of the EU Energy Union combined with the fulfilment of the EU's climate pledges can enhance the broader European security situation, notably in relation to its neighbourhood (vulnerability to climate change, winners and losers of the transition to low-carbon emissions societies).

Moderator: **Michel Colombier**, Scientific Director, Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations

Speakers (8-10 min each):

- **Yvon Slingenbergh**, Director, DG Climate Action, European Commission
- **Aldo Ravazzi Douvan**, Senior Economist, Ministry of Environment – Sogesid T.A., Italy
- **Francois Gemenne**, Co-Director, Observatory on Climate and Security, French Ministry of Defence
- **Helena Viñes Fiestas**, Head of Sustainability Research, BNP Paribas Asset Management

Discussion

13:00-14:00 LIGHT LUNCH

14:00-15:30 PANEL 3. PARTNERING TO MAXIMISE SECURITY, SUSTAINABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT

How can integrated EU external action on climate and energy foster sustainable development and address climate and security risks in third countries (Climate Change as a security and defence issue; how the external dimension of the Energy Union and the EU's international climate action can advance peace and prosperity in the neighbourhood and beyond (partnering with countries in strengthening the energy-climate nexus in their NDCs).

Moderator: **Nicolò Sartori**, Senior Research Fellow, Istituto Affari Internazionali

Speakers (8-10 min each):

- **Monique Pariat**, Director General, DG European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations, European Commission
- **Roberto Ridolfi**, Director, DG International Cooperation and Development, European Commission
- **Henrik Bliddal**, Director, NATO Parliamentary Assembly
- **Matteo Barra**, Energy and Climate Investment Expert

Discussion

15:30-17:00 PANEL 4. REDUCING CLIMATE RISKS AS A DRIVER OF MIGRATION

Powering development and tackling climate risks in emigration countries to ensure viability of local development (Migration and development, mitigating resilience in the age of globalisation and regionalisation).

Moderator: **Arno Behrens**, Senior Research Fellow, CEPS

Speakers (8-10 min each):

- **Sara Vigil**, FNRS Research Fellow, University of Liège
- **Pascal Delisle**, Advisor on climate, European External Action Service
- **Eva Mach**, Migration, Environment and Climate Change Division, International Organisation for Migration
- **Carmen Torres**, Policy Officer, European Centre for Development Policy Management

Discussion

17:00 END OF CONFERENCE