

WORKSHOP

Which role for the EU in international relations? Understanding the post-Lisbon foreign policy at times of change

The High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and the European External Action Service: One, No One and One Hundred Thousand?

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Coming into force in December 2010, the Lisbon Treaty was set to enhance EU external action's coherence and effectiveness. Major changes were applied to the former Treaties. Important innovations, such as the institutionalization of the European Council and its presidency and the reshaped and enhanced position of the High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/Vice President of the European Commission (HR/VP), were introduced. The new institutional framework also reunified the three pillars' domains and conferred legal personality to the EU. Yet, the EU 'compound' governmental construction between the Council of Ministers, the Commission, the European Parliament and the Council was confirmed and the three pillars were only formally abolished. The proposed workshop is set to assess the reshaped role of the HR/VP, the establishment and functioning of the European External Action Service and EU foreign, security and defence policies in the post-Lisbon era. Indeed, to counter rapidly changing global economic and security scenarios and be a protagonist in the regional and international checkboard, the EU needs a political legitimacy that only an adequate institutional setting can guarantee.

PROGRAMME

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