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AGENDA

9.00-9:15 - INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Armando Barucco, Head, Policy Planning Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome

9:15-10:30 - UNITED STATES

The session will analyse the current trajectory of US foreign policy and trace it to its domestic and international roots. It will take stock of the debate about US interests and role in the world in America's foreign policy circles. It will consider the role of Europe in US foreign policy and the possible scenarios of development of America's relations with the European countries.

Chair **Ettore Greco**, Executive Vice-President and Head, Global Governance and Multilateralism Programme, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

Papergiver **Ian Lesser**, Vice-President, German Marshall Fund of the United States, Brussels office

10:30-10:45 - COFFEE BREAK

10:45-12:00 - EUROPE

The session will analyse the foreign policy challenges confronting Europe – including both EU member states and institutions – and trace them back to domestic, institutional (e.g. at the EU level), and international factors. It will take stock of the debate about Europe's role as an international player in European foreign policy circles. It will consider the role of the US in the foreign policy of the EU and its member states and consider the degree to which Europe can achieve strategic autonomy.

Chair **Nicoletta Pirozzi**, Institutional Relations Manager; Head, EU Politics and Institutions Programme, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

Papergiver **Riccardo Alcaro**, Research Coordinator and Head, Global Actors Programme, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

12:00-13:00 - SPECIAL SESSION: NATO

This shorter session will look at how domestic trends at the transatlantic level and systemic changes at the global level affect NATO's ability to define a common agenda and act upon that. The session will delve into the debate in the US and Europe about the interests the US and European NATO members have in the Alliance, the purpose they believe the Alliance should serve, the objective it should pursue, and the actions it should take.

Chair **Alessandro Marrone**, Head, Defence Programme, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

Papergiver **Sinan Ülgen**, Visiting Scholar, Carnegie Europe, Brussels

13:00-14:15 - LUNCH

14:15-15:30 - CHINA

The session will analyse the current trajectory of China's foreign policy and trace it to its domestic and international roots. It will take stock of the debate about China's interests and role in the world and consider China's view of both the US and Europe. It will assess the ability of the US and Europe to define common interests with regard to China and identify areas of possible transatlantic coordination and cooperation.

Chair **Nicola Casarini**, Senior Asia Fellow, Global Actors Programme, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

Papergiver **Alice Ekman**, Senior Asia Analyst at the European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS), Paris, and CSCAP-EU Coordinator

15:30-15:45 - COFFEE BREAK

15:45-17:00 - RUSSIA

The session will analyse the current trajectory of Russia's foreign policy and trace it to its domestic and international roots. It will take stock of the debate about Russia's interests and role in the world and consider Russia's view of both the US and Europe. It will assess the ability of the US and Europe to define common interests with regard to Russia and identify areas of possible transatlantic coordination and cooperation.

Chair **Nona Mikhelidze**, Head, Eurasia and Eastern Europe Programme, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

Papergiver **Sabine Fischer**, Co-Team Leader of the Public Diplomacy EU and Russia Project, Moscow

17:00-17:15 - CONCLUDING REMARKS

Nathalie Tocci, Director, Istituto Affari Internazionali, and Special Advisor to High Representative/Vice President of the Commission Federica Mogherini