

Think Tanks and MoFA Policy Planners virtual discussion on US-European Relations in a Post-Covid19 World

Thursday, 5 November 2020, 17:00 – 19:30 (CET), IAI

AGENDA

17:00 Welcome by Dr. Daniela Schwarzer, Director, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Auswärtige Politik (DGAP)

17:05-17:10 Introduction by Dr. Nathalie Tocci, Director, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI) and Chair of the Webinar

Guiding question

- *An instant assessment of the potential implications for transatlantic relations of the US election results*

17.10-18:05 Session 1

Speakers

Hans Kundnani, Chatham House
Dr. Anthony Gregory, Brown University
Eric André Martin, Institut Français des Relations Internationales (IFRI)
Prof. Babara Keys, Durham University

Guiding questions

- *how has the covid-19 crisis impacted on the relationship between state and society in Europe and America? What balance – if any – between public safety and personal freedoms and between state interventionism and market economy are political leaders and parties across the Atlantic striving for?*
- *has covid-19 fuelled a public demand for a more cooperative foreign policy or for national-only solutions? How are political parties and leaders articulating a vision of their country's foreign policy as a consequence of the covid-19 pandemic?*
- *How will the result of the US elections affect the above?*

Reactions by policy planners and think tank directors

18:05-19:00 Session 2

Speakers

Dr Riccardo Alcaro, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)
Dr Emma Ashford, Atlantic Council of the United States (ACUS)
Dr Claudia Schmucker, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Auswärtige Politik (DGAP)
Susan Corke, German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF)

Guiding questions

- *how has the pandemic affected the ability of the US and European countries to project power abroad, interact with other international players, and exert influence in multilateral fora?*
- *has the covid-19 crisis paved the way to increased geopolitical competition? Will covid-19 usher in a new era of multilateral engagement in which Western powers will have to re-negotiated their status and role?*
- *How will the result of the US elections affect the above?*

Reactions by policy planners and think tank directors

19.00 Close

List of participants

- Riccardo Alcaro, Research Coordinator and Head, Global Actors Programme, IAI, Italy
- Luca Argenta, Scientific Advisor, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Rome Office, Italy
- Emma Ashford, Senior Fellow, New American Engagement Initiative, ACUS, USA
- Armando Barucco, Head of Policy Planning Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy
- Marzia Benini, US Embassy to Italy
- Benedetta Berti-Alberti, Head of Policy Planning, North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO)
- Susan Corke, Senior Fellow and Director, Transatlantic Democracy Working Group, GMF, USA
- Hervé Delphin, Head of Division, Strategic Planning, European External Action Service (EEAS), EU
- Andrea Dessì, Head, Italian Foreign Policy, IAI, Italy
- Anthony Gregory, Postdoctoral Research Associate, Political Theory Project, Brown University, USA
- Sebastian Groth, Head of Policy Planning Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Germany
- Thomas Gomart, Director, Ifri, France
- Barbara Keys, Professor, Department of History, Durham University, UK
- Hans Kundnani, Senior Research Fellow, Europe Programme, Chatham House
- Manuel Lafont Rapnouil, Head of Policy Planning Staff, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, France
- Eric-André Martin, Secretary General, Study Committee on Franco-German Relations, IFRI, France
- Tobias Mörschel, Director, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Rome Office, Italy
- Robin Niblett, Director & CEO, Chatham House, UK
- Nicolò Russo Perez, Head, Governance & International Relations, Compagnia di San Paolo, Italy
- Liane Saunders, Head of Policy Planning Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, UK
- Claudia Schmucker, Head, Program Geo-Economics, DGAP Germany
- Daniela Schwarzer, Director & CEO, DGAP, Germany
- Nathalie Tocci, Director, IAI, Italy

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