



EXECUTIVE TRAINING SEMINAR

GLOBAL GOVERNANCE PROGRAMME, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE SCHOOL OF TRANSNATIONAL GOVERNANCE

DOES EUROPE NEED A GRAND STRATEGY? EXPLORING COMPETING VISIONS FOR THE EU'S ROLE IN THE WORLD

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■ INTRODUCTION

In June 2016, EU High Representative Federica Mogherini presented a Global Strategy for the European Union's Foreign and Security Policy. The document suggested a plan to pursue what it identified as some core European priorities. In the meantime, however, the global landscape has changed significantly: President Donald Trump has raised questions about the US commitment to European security. The Russian government has strengthened its efforts to influence the outcomes of elections in Western countries and contested established borders in Europe's Eastern periphery. And the EU itself has seen a wave of nationalist and populist movements that question further European integration.

In light of these challenges, this Executive Training Seminar will examine in what ways the EU's Global Strategy can be adapted and improved. It will investigate what a "good" grand strategy is, what issue areas it involves, and what objectives it addresses. Bringing together academic specialists, policymakers, and think tank experts, the three-day seminar offers an in-depth overview of potential grand strategic options for the EU in light of its presumed security interests. We will not only identify the costs, benefits, and risks associated with different strategies, but also discuss their various underlying assumptions and visions for Europe's role in the world. Seminar topics include grand strategy in theory and practice, potential grand strategic postures toward the US, Russia, and China



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as well as the role of Europe's defense capabilities. Through presentations, case studies, and simulations, participants will be able to enhance their understanding of grand strategy and Europe's core security and economic interests in the world.

■ DRAFT PROGRAMME

20 MAY

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| 09.30 - 10.00 | Opening
Brigid Laffan (TBC) Professor, EUI & Director of the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies and the Global Governance Programme |
| 10.00 - 11.30 | Grand Strategy in Theory and Practice (part I)
Nina Silove ETH Zurich, Australian National University, and Harvard University |
| 11.30 - 12.00 | Coffee break |
| 12.00 - 13.30 | Grand Strategy in Theory and Practice (part II)
Nina Silove ETH Zurich, Australian National University, and Harvard University |
| 13.30 - 14.30 | Lunch break |
| 14.30 - 16.00 | European Grand Strategy and the Transatlantic Relationship (part I)
Marina Henke Northwestern University |
| 16.00 - 16.30 | Coffee break |
| 16.30 - 18.00 | European Grand Strategy and the Transatlantic Relationship (part II)
Marina Henke Northwestern University |
| 20.00 | Dinner |

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| 10.00 - 11.30 | Europe's Grand Strategic Posture towards Russia (part I)
Michel Foucher Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme |
| 11.30 - 12.00 | Coffee break |
| 12.00 - 13.30 | Europe's Grand Strategic Posture towards Russia (part II)
Michel Foucher Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme |

13.30 - 14.30	Lunch break
14.30 - 16.00	Europe's Security Strategy in Asia (part I) Eva Pejsova European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS)
16.00 - 16.30	Coffee break
16.30 - 18.00	Europe's Security Strategy in Asia (part II) Eva Pejsova European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS)

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10.00 - 11.30	European Grand Strategy and Nuclear Defense Capabilities (part I) Ulrich Kühn University of Hamburg
11.30 - 12.00	Coffee break
12.00 - 13.30	European Grand Strategy and Nuclear Defense Capabilities (part II) Ulrich Kühn University of Hamburg
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch break
14.30 - 16.00	European Grand Strategy and Defense Capabilities (part I) Andrea Gilli NATO Defense College and Stanford University Mauro Gilli ETH Zurich
16.00 - 16.30	Coffee break
16.30 - 18.00	European Grand Strategy and Defense Capabilities (part II) Andrea Gilli NATO Defense College and Stanford University Mauro Gilli ETH Zurich
18.00	Distribution of diploma

■ **SPEAKERS**

Prof. Michel Foucher

Chair of Applied Geopolitics, College of World Studies, Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, Paris; formerly Ambassador at Large for European Affairs (2007), French Ambassador to Latvia (2002-2006), special advisor to the French Foreign Minister

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Dr. Nina Silove

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