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Since this newsletter is published after the summer break, I seize the opportunity to wish you all a good return back to work - despite a difficult climate in the Union. Our Polish Pre-Presidency Conference of last 30 June and 1 July 2011 in the Natolin campus, generously hosted by Paul Demaret and in close cooperation with the European Institute in Lodz, has indeed showed that the economic problems of the Union were far from being solved and that the new institutional architecture has not yet enabled Europe to speak with one voice. We will see whether the request of the Heads of State and Government of the eurozone to President Herman Van Rompuy will bring innovative new initiatives. Also in the field of external relations, the slow implementation of the European External Action Service (EEAS) has not yet fully achieved its objectives. The practice of the coming months will demonstrate whether this is only due to a matter of time or if the system itself is structurally dysfunctional. The Polish Presidency has an important task ahead, particularly with the preliminary discussions on the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF). However, it is precisely the role of TEPSA and the tasks of its members to continue the reflections on the evolution of the Union and to voice possible responses to these challenges. I am convinced that we will even collaborate more actively within the upcoming months in order to achieve these goals. In this context, I would like to draw the attention to all TEPSA members to the importance to promptly communicate their interests and ideas concerning our next annual programme and their insights for collaboration in 2012. The past experiences have shown how fruitful the collaboration between TEPSA members and between TEPSA and its members has been. In these challenging times, this is more necessary than ever.

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Introduction of a Member Institute: European Institute in Łódź



The European Institute in Łódź was established as a non-profit Foundation in 1993. Eighteen years is a long time for an institution which - because of its

statutory objectives - could be established only in the 3rd Republic of Poland, when the country regained its full sovereignty and an opportunity emerged to open it up to the unifying Europe. The Institute's history is thus linked to Poland's opening up and getting closer to European structures and its creation was aimed at supporting the process by delivering statutory tasks, such as: research, training, education, publications, dissemination of information and promotion of European ideas. Objectives identified for the Institute by its founders were positively recognized by Łódź city authorities, which translated into a decision to make available for the Institute first the former villa of Robert Schweikert, the present seat of the Institute, and then the former seat of Regional Board of Solidarity Trade Union of the Łódź Region, currently the Alcide de Gasperi Training and Conference Centre (258/260, Piotrkowska Str.).

After the recent death of the Director General Dr Kazimierz Sobotka, the Board functions are played by two Deputy Directors: Anna Jędrzejewska and Edward Sierański.

The European Institute became the first institution dealing with EU issues in Central and Eastern European Countries. Its original characteristic is a multi-dimension and multidisciplinary research, teaching, publishing (over 100 volumes within 4 series of books, studies, manuals and readings), networking, training and dissemination. The first years of Institute's research were devoted mainly to: the concept of Poland's participation in European integration (in terms of economy, law, culture, institutional and social aspects); comparative analysis of earlier enlargements and integration experiences of member states (especially in areas like: institutional aspects of European issues in domestic systems of public governance, economic effects of the membership, implementation of Community law into member states legislation,

social communication on integration issues and social costs of adjustments to *acquis communautaire*); reflection on the future shape of the EU; the future place of the EU in the global system; the role of citizens in integration processes; evaluation of needs in training human resources for the accession and future membership, etc. Based on its own research, between 1993 and 2004 the Institute delivered expert opinions for the Polish government and for the parliament. Amongst the particularly important and key works resulting from research conducted by the Institute and cooperating experts were: the effects of Customs Union and those of including Poland into the EU Single Market; the European concepts of security - the Mediterranean and Baltic perspectives; Social communication and information on European issues in Poland; the methodology of transposing Community law to national legislation in the framework of the Single Market; the economy and security as key elements of the EU enlargement in Central and Eastern Europe; the role of universities and human resources in the process of European integration; Academic education in the field of European integration; Consequences of Poland's membership in WTO in the context of future membership of Poland in the EU. On top of that, together with other centres, the Institute was active in shaping and developing the Polish "White Paper: Poland - European Union". This document comprised the cost and benefit analysis in the context of Poland's membership in the EU in three dimensions, i.e. economy, law and science and technology. In 1995 the Institute contributed to a study made for the European Parliament delivering an analysis of preparations of Central and East European Countries for EU membership. At the same time, along with foreign partners from TEPSA we started monitoring the enlargement process in the form of regular periodical comparative reports (Enlargement/Agenda 2000 Watch). In parallel, researchers from the Institute contributed to a report commissioned by the World Bank "Winners and Losers of the EU Integration in the Central European Candidate Countries".

Poland's membership in the European Union enabled the Institute to get involved into European networks and to benefit from the European funding as well as from the 5th and 6th Framework Programmes ("ADAPT" Project, "EU- CONSENT" Project, Jean Monnet/ECSA Project, TEPSA network, EuroMeSCo network and LISOBOAN).

Around mid-September the Institute's website will be enriched by the Poland's Presidency Observer, presenting events, documents, bibliography, speeches and monthly summaries of Council works led by Polish Presidency.

News from the TEPSA Network

University of Cologne

Wolfgang Wessels, TEPSA Chairperson, Ad personam Jean Monnet Chair

Wolfgang Wessels successfully applied for an “Ad personam” Jean Monnet Chair (2011-2014) under this year’s European Union Lifelong Learning Programme for his project “Teaching the Lisbon Treaties (TEAL): theoretical and strategic perspectives”.

News from the EXACT project



During the month of July, the EXACT researchers continued their activities at the respective think tanks and worked on their PhD projects.

Some of them conducted interviews with policy-makers in Brussels at the institutions of the European Union. Marlene Gottwald and Nicole Koenig presented a paper on The Responsibility to protect, Libya and the German "Sonderweg" at the 7th European Peace Research Association General Conference on "Europe and the World" in Tampere, on 20-22 July. At the same conference, Marco Siddi presented a paper on The European Union's involvement in the protracted conflicts in the post-Soviet space and its implications for EU-Russia relations. Furthermore, six EXACT researchers attended the TEPSA pre-Presidency Conference in Natolin, Warsaw, on 30 June and 1 July 2011. Simon Stross and Marco Siddi, who are currently working at the TEPSA head office, contributed to the drafting of the report for the event.

As far as upcoming activities are concerned, all EXACT researchers will participate in the TEPSA/EXACT Training Network Seminar on Professional Skills, which will take place at the Fondation Universitaire in Brussels (6-19 October 2011). In addition, Niklas Helwig, Andrew Byrne and Simon Stross will attend the 6th ECPR General Conference at the University of Iceland (25-27 August). Finally, seven EXACT researchers will present their work at the EXACT seminar on "Current Security Challenges for the EU", which will take place at the Finnish Institute of International Affairs, and participate in the European Studies Day at Helsinki University (7-8 September).

For more information please visit www.exact-training.net or contact the EXACT researchers at their respective think tanks.

Recent Events



Pre-Presidency Conference in Poland

European Institute in Łódź and College of Europe, Natolin

Polish Presidency 2011: Priorities of the Polish Presidency of the European Union

30 June-1 July 2011, College of Europe, Natolin (Warsaw) Campus



The conference was organized by members of the Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA), the European Institute - Łódź and the College of Europe - Natolin, under the auspices of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, Paul Demaret – Rector of College of Europe and Jacek Saryusz-Wolski – MEP.

The conference concentrated mainly on the priorities of the Polish presidency and the recent and upcoming challenges for the European Union in the following themes: EU Presidency under the Lisbon Treaty, EU security policy, EU neighbourhood policy and economic governance. Those key issues were presented by members of the Polish government and analyzed by invited eminent speakers, discussants, top officials, representatives of 32 European think-tanks, scholars from across Europe, press and media. Conference was introduced by parallel Working Groups: “Institutions” (chaired by Prof. Jean Paul Jacqué), “Area of Freedom, Security and Justice” (chaired by Prof. Jaap De Zwaan – Member of TEPSA Board, Erasmus University, Rotterdam), “External Action” (Co-chaired by dr Jacek Saryusz-Wolski – MEP and dr Michele Comelli – Institute of International Affairs (IAI Rome)) and “Economic and Social Governance” (chaired by Prof. Iain Begg – TEPSA Board Member, London School of Economics). On behalf of TEPSA, recommendations to Poland’s Presidency were presented by Prof. Jaap De Zwaan. Overall “Priorities in the Area of Security and Defence” were referred by Radosław Sikorski – Minister of Foreign Affairs. The Secretary of State for European Affairs Mikołaj Dowgiewiczy presented a speech on “Open Union – Neighbourhood and

Enlargement”. “Economic Governance: from Crisis to Growth” panel was chaired by Jan Krzysztof Bielecki, President of the Economic Council to the Prime Minister and former Prime Minister of Poland. The panel members were: Jacek Rostowski - Minister of Finance, Marek Belka – President of National Bank of Poland and Hanna Gronkiewicz-Waltz - Mayor of the City of Warsaw and former President of National Bank of Poland.



President of the European Parliament, Jerzy Buzek, devoted his keynote speech to “The European Parliament as the Core of the Community Method”. Janusz Lewandowski, EU Commissioner for Financial Programming and Budget introduced “The EU Budget as an Investment for Growth”, commented and debated by: Pawel Samecki - Board Member of the European Institute, Lodz and adviser to the President of the National Bank of Poland, Iain Begg – TEPSA Board Member, Professor at London School of Economics, and Jacques Pelkmans – College of Europe and Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS). The Session on “Security Aspects of EU External Policies”, chaired by Jörg Monar from College of Europe was debated: by Olaf Osica – Centre for Eastern Studies (OSW Warsaw), Mathias Jopp – Director of the Institute for European Politics (IEP Berlin), Mark Rhinard – Swedish Institute of International Affairs (UI/SIIA) and Marcin Zaborowski – Director of the Polish Institute of International Affairs (PISM Warsaw).



The subject of “Presidency of the European Council” was introduced by keynote speech of Herman Van Rompuy – President of the European Council (speech available at: http://consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/en/ec/123376.pdf) and followed by an open debate chaired by Jacek Saryusz-Wolski – MEP, Chairman of European Institute in Lodz. Last session concentrated on “Neighbourhood Policy: Eastern and Southern Dimensions” with contributions of panel members:

Gunilla Herolf – Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), Christophe Hillion - Leiden University, Netherlands, Swedish Institute for European Policy Studies (SIEPS) and Chair of Wider Europe Network, Katrin Böttger, Institute for European Politics (IEP Berlin), Kerry Longhurst, College of Europe, Natolin, Haizam Amirah-Fernández – Elcano Royal Institute, Madrid and Roberto Aliboni, Institute of International Affairs (IAI Rome). Concluding remarks were prepared and presented by Prof. Wolfgang Wessels, TEPSA Chairman, Jean Monnet Chair, University of Cologne.

THESEUS MERCURY SUMMER SCHOOL and Simulation Exercise



TEPSA and University of Cologne International Summer School and G20 Simulation Exercise “New World, New Ideas: Security and Stability in the Contemporary Global Order”

3-8 July 2011

TEPSA and the University of Cologne co-organised an International Summer School and G20 Simulation Exercise at the Fondation Universitaire within the framework of THESEUS (Fritz-Thyssen Foundation) and MERCURY (FP7). Lectures covering the broad topic of multilateralism in general and the G20 in particular prepared the participants for the simulation of a two days G20 summit in Brussels. Several lecturers from TEPSA Board members and member institutes such as *Iain Begg* (LSE); *Louise van Schaik* (Clingendael Institute) and *Jean-Victor Louis* (former Secretary General of TEPSA) contributed to the Summer School. The combination of academic lectures and the practical experience of a simulation exercise proved very valuable. Please [click here](#) to download the draft report.

TEPSA and University of Cologne



1st LISBOAN annual conference on Teaching and Researching the Treaty of Lisbon 16-17 June 2011

LISBOAN (“Linking Integration Studies by Broadening the European Academic Network”) is a network of 68 universities and think tanks from all over Europe, many of them TEPSA institutes on teaching and researching the Treaty of Lisbon. Its

first annual conference, organised by the TEPSA secretariat in Brussels in cooperation with the University of Cologne, was dedicated to a stock-taking on these issues. The six working groups and the key note speeches that dealt with the impact of the Lisbon Treaty on the EU's policy and polity, and the final roundtable were informed by a rich diversity and a fruitful academic exchange of ideas.

Results from the conference, providing a cross-section of the "European area of debate" both in academic and political terms, are available at www.lisboan.net/annualconferences.html.

TEPSA and IMO

Conference on Croatia at the Doorstep of the EU

15 June 2011

The event has been held at the Fondation Universitaire, in Brussels on the 15th of June 2011 and was organized by TEPSA, the Institute for International Relations (IMO) from Zagreb, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Croatia and the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung European Office in Brussels.



Work of the conference moderated by *Graham Avery*, former Secretary General of TEPSA, was divided into two panels "Croatia on the way to the EU: from negotiations to membership" followed by "The role of Croatia as a new EU member state". Presentations were submitted by the high ranking Croatian and EU policy makers as well as researchers in European integration: *Andrej Plenković*, State Secretary at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration RC, *Alexandra Cas Granje*, DG Enlargement, *Hannes Swoboda*, MEP, *H. E. Péter Györkös*, Permanent Representative of Hungary to the EU, *Dr. Višnja Samardžija*, IMO, *Doris Pack*, MEP, and *Dr. Baldur Thórhallsson* from the University of Iceland. Presentations and debates which followed each conference panel focused on some highly important topics such as: dynamics of Croatian accession after closing of EU negotiations, continuation of initiated political and economic reforms, repositioning of Croatia towards South Eastern Europe, the role of civil society within

national EU referendum campaign etc. A number of panelists indicated importance of the fact that Croatia will soon become member of the EU since that strengthens credibility of the whole Stabilization and Association Process in South Eastern Europe. Timing of the conference was generally very positively evaluated as it coincided with closing of Croatian accession negotiations. A full report of the conference is available on the web:

<http://tepsa.be/Conference%20Report%20Croatia%20Accession%20Conference%2015%20June.pdf>

Upcoming events

THESEUS Conference



THESEUS Conference on EU future perspective: external and internal challenges.

24-25 November 2011

The next THESEUS Conference will take place on 24 and 25 November 2011 in Cologne.

To foster dialogue between politics and academia in Europe, researchers and decision-makers from politics and society meet once a year in this forum for an intensive exchange of ideas. The conferences analyse the developments in European politics with special regard to external and internal challenges for Europe. This year the conference will discuss the EU future perspective given that Europe is facing a new world with increasing competition. Complex socio-political relations, both in international relations and inside the EU, together with not foreseeable consequences of the Euro crisis, could have a long-term influence on EU decisions, meaning that the EU needs to make necessary adjustments in line with the changing conditions in the world.

During the conference THESEUS rewards two researchers with the **THESEUS Awards for Outstanding and Promising Research on European Integration**: one senior award going to a researcher distinguished for his or her work on the dynamics of European integration and one junior award for an excellent researcher of the younger generation.

Please visit www.theseus-europe.net for further information about the project and its activities.

Studies for the European Parliament



EP Studies on EU-BRICs, cost-effective EU foreign policy and CSDP lessons learned

Under the European Parliament's Framework Contract that TEPSA won in 2009, TEPSA was requested to provide expertise to the Budgetary Committee and to the Foreign Affairs Committee to write two studies on:

-Towards a more comprehensive, strategic and cost-effective EU Foreign Policy: the role of national Parliaments and the European Parliament.

-The EU Foreign Policy towards the BRICs and other emerging powers: objectives and strategies

This study is currently being elaborated by a team of researchers from the Finnish Institute of International Affairs, the College of Europe and University of Leuven.

-CSDP missions and operations: lessons learned

This study request has been postponed by the Security and Defence Committee until the end of the summer period.

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News from TEPSA Member Institutes

CIFE

cife Centre international de formation européenne

European Online Academy – Master in EU Studies Online

With the **European Online Academy**, the Centre international de formation européenne in cooperation with the Jean Monnet Chair of the

University of Cologne organises the **Master in EU Studies Online** (two-year programme).

Through a **combination of e-learning and concentrated face-to-face-learning phases** (at weekends mainly in Berlin, Rome, Brussels, Istanbul and Budapest) the European Online Academy allows the participants to deepen and to supplement their knowledge of the European integration process. The programme is an outstanding opportunity for young professionals and post-graduates to continue their studies while pursuing their career at the same time.

The programme offers an accurate blend of theoretical and practical knowledge. In the first year, participants gain an enhanced knowledge of recent developments in the European integration process. After having successfully completed it, the participants obtain the **Certificate in EU Studies Online** (30 ECTS). To specialise in one of the core subjects (**Political Science, Economics and EU Law**), the participants join the second year of the Master programme – whereby the general approach to the issues and tasks is interdisciplinary. After having submitted and defended their Master thesis participants are awarded the Master in EU Studies (60 ECTS).

It should be noted that there is also a possibility for students who have already acquired 30 ECTS credits in a relevant post-graduate programme to directly undertake the second year of the Master study programme.

A limited number of scholarships are awarded to particularly qualified candidates to cover part of the tuition fee.

For further information and application please consult the website www.eu-online-academy.org.

Deadline for the online application is **5 September 2011**.

oiip - Austrian Institute for International Affairs New Research Programme

A new research programme has recently been launched at the oiip for the period 2011-2013. The new research programme International Science and Technology Policy and Science Diplomacy is funded by the Austrian Ministry of Transport, Innovation and Technology and supported by the Austrian Ministry of Science and Research. Interim programme director (till December 2011) is Claus Seibt, a science, technology and innovation (STI) policy analyst with longstanding experience in International and European STI policy. End of this year Ruth Müller, an internationally renowned science technology studies (STS) scholar, will take over and direct the programme. The research programme will be performed by an interdisciplinary team. A detailed working programme is currently under preparation.

Heading towards increased coordination among respective policy areas, the programme aims at also engaging the Austrian Foreign Ministry and the Austrian Ministry of Economy and Trade towards increased cooperation in this newly emerging horizontal policy area.

European Documentation and Research Centre (EDRC)



The **European Documentation and Research Centre of the University of Malta** is looking for a full-time Resident Academic in European Studies. It was pointed out that candidates interested in applying must be sufficiently fluent in the English Language to be able to teach, research, write and supervise in English - apart from the other requirements attached to the post. The closing date for applications is **2nd September 2011**. Please [click here](#) to download the announcement.

Recent events hosted by TEP SA Member Institutes

AGENDA

oiip- Austrian Institute for International Affairs Panel Discussion on Reconciling Nuclear Non-Proliferation, Disarmament and Energy Generation – Mission Impossible à la NPT, Nuke Talks – 3

31 May 2011

Panelists:

Heinz Gärtner, Senior Fellow, oiip “Milestones on the Road to Global Zero”

Ali Ashgar Soltanieh, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the UN and other International Organizations “Iranian Perspectives on the NPT”

Stephan Klement, European External Action Service, Brussels “The EU, the Non-Proliferation Treaty and the Case of Iran”

Chair: *Hakan Akbulut*, oiip

Venue: Haus der Industrie (Small Festival Hall), Schwarzenbergplatz 4, 1031 Vienna

Summary:

http://www.oiip.ac.at/fileadmin/Unterlagen/Dateien/Summaries/Nuke_Talks_3_Summary.pdf

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

EU4SEAS Seminar on “Is the EU a Multilateral Actor in its Neighbourhood?”

6-7 June 2011

In cooperation with the European Policy Centre & Paralleli

http://www.iai.it/pdf/Convegni/EU4Seas_110606-07.pdf, Turin

oiip- Austrian Institute for International Affairs Panel Discussion on Egypt in Transition. Ready for Democracy?

7 June 2011

Welcome: *Otmar Höll*, Director oiip
Sabine Kroissenbrunner, Head of the Task Force Dialogue of Cultures; Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs
Panel I: Will continuity prevail over change?

Discussants:

Vladimir Gligorov, Professor at Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies

Yasmine El Rashidi, Writer, Cairo
Maye Kassem, American University in Cairo

Chair: *Corinna Milborn*, Writer and Journalist
Panel II: What kind of change? How to deal with pluralism in what kind of democracy?

Discussants:

Abou Elela Mady, Chairman EI-Wasat Party, Cairo
Esra Abd El Fatah Rashed, Egyptian Democratic Academy, Cairo

Tarek Osman, Writer, London/Cairo
Chair: *Cengiz Günay*, oiip

Venue: Diplomatic Academy of Vienna, Favoritenstrasse 15a · A-1040 Vienna

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Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

Conference on “Europe’s Response to the Arab Spring: the New EU Neighborhood Policy and Transatlantic Cooperation in the Southern Mediterranean”

9 June 2011

In cooperation with the German Marshall Fund of the United States

http://www.gmfus.org/events/event_view?event.id=1409, Washington

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

Presentation of the IAI-ISPI yearbook “La politica estera dell’Italia – Ed. 2011”

10 June 2011

In cooperation with Sapienza - Università di Roma

http://www.iai.it/pdf/Convegni/Annuario_sapienza_110610.pdf, Rome

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

Final conference “Crescendo”

10 June 2011

[http://www.crescendo-](http://www.crescendo-project.org/scripts/home/publigen/content/template_s/show.asp?L=EN&P=55&vTicker=alleza)

[project.org/scripts/home/publigen/content/template_s/show.asp?L=EN&P=55&vTicker=alleza](http://www.crescendo-project.org/scripts/home/publigen/content/template_s/show.asp?L=EN&P=55&vTicker=alleza),

Brussels

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

Conference for the launching of the book "BRIC – Brasile, Russia, India, Cina alla Guida dell'Economia Globale" by Andrea Goldstain
13 June 2011

In cooperation with the European Council on Foreign Relations & Il Mulino
http://www.iai.it/pdf/Convegni/Bric_110613.pdf,
 Rome

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

Conference on "Lessons Learned From Afghanistan"
16 June 2011

In cooperation with Chatham House within the European Security and Defence Forum (ESDF)
http://www.iai.it/pdf/Convegni/Afghanistan_110616.pdf, Rome

Centre for Small State Studies
University of Iceland
Summer school program
20 June - 2 July 2011



The IIA's and CSSS yearly summer school program came to an end in the beginning of July with another year of success. As we

welcomed some familiar faces who have previously taught at the school, we also welcomed new professors who were teaching for the first time at the summer school program. We had a wide range of students, from all parts of Europe to USA and Africa. This year's focus was on "Small states and security", similar to last year. We might add that a new topic was introduced this year highlighting 'gender and security in small states' a very welcomed addition to the program.



A further addition was the lecture on small states in Africa. While "Small states in Europe" was as before the general topic, it was decided to go beyond the borders of Europe and shed light on small states in Africa, their problems, developments and security. It was a popular subject and a successful one at that and thus it

was a strong addition to the summer school program.

We have already begun the preparations for the summer school 2012, which will focus on "Small states and globalisation".

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

Conference on "Exploring the Turkish Model in the Light of the Arab Spring"
21 June 2011

In cooperation with the German Marshall Fund of the United States and the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
http://www.iai.it/pdf/Convegni/Turkey_110621.pdf,
 Rome

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

Seminar on "Managing Change: NATO's Partnerships and Deterrence in a Globalized World"

21-22 June 2011

In cooperation with NATO Allied Command Transformation, Norfolk & University of Bologna
http://www.iai.it/pdf/Convegni/Bologna_110621-22.pdf, Bologna

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

7th Meeting of the IAI Laboratory's Global Outlook "A new global monetary and financial architecture. Finding new stabilities"

22 June 2011

<http://www.iai.it/content.asp?langid=2&contentid=458>, Rome

Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP)

Workshop of the German-Hungarian Youth Forum

24 June 2011

On 24th June more than 20 German and Hungarian participants met the first time in Budapest. Objectives were to discuss the topics and thematic priorities of the German-Hungarian Youth Forum which will take place on 14/15 October 2011. The following topics were identified to be discussed in October: German-Hungarian relations, Germany and Hungary in Europe, exchange programmes, networks, environment and sustainability.

Background: For about 20 years, the "German-Hungarian Forum" (DUF) is a central platform for dialogue between representatives from government, industry, science, and culture of the two countries. To increase the participations of younger people, the DUF created the "German-Hungarian Youth Forum" for students and young professionals.

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)**Workshop on “The post 2013 financial perspectives: Re-thinking EU finances in times of crisis”****7-8 July 2011**

In cooperation with Centro Studi sul Federalismo, European Policy Centre & Notre Europe

http://www.iai.it/pdf/Convegni/EU-budget_TO110707-8.pdf, Turin

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)**Final conference of the project “The EU as a Global Actor in the UN Reform Process”****7-8 July 2011**

In cooperation with the University of Kiel, sponsored by Volkswagen Foundation

http://www.iai.it/pdf/Convegni/Effective_Multilateralism_110707-8.pdf, Berlin

European Institute Lodz**Conference on Approaching the European Presidency: Cross - Generation Garden Debate****9 July 2011**

European Institute, together with The Marek Edelman Dialogue Centre, Regional Centre for European Information, Regional Centre of European Social Fund and Information Point EuropeDirect in Piotrków Trybunalski, and in cooperation with the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, organised this open to the public event to present and debate on priorities, importance and modalities of the Polish Presidency in the EU. The programme included: presentations on the role of presidency in governing EU matters, debates with Polish Members of the European Parliament, contests, distribution of information materials. It was planned as a cross-generation garden event, aiming at enlarging and deepening knowledge and reflection on Poland's Presidency and Europe's future. Researchers, students, teachers, youth, NGOs, local and regional actors and the general public attended this meeting. Polish TV offered its media patronage. All partners of this event advised on projects of the EU addressed to institutions, private entrepreneurs, teachers, representatives of NGOs. Special care and contests were offered to

children and whole families. National Bank of Poland generously offered hundreds of occasional 2 zloty commemorating Polish Presidency coins.

Institut für Europäische Politik e.V.**Workshop of the Master Programme European Union and Central Asia in the International System****10-18 July 2011**

The online Masters Programme “European Studies on the EU and Central Asia in the International System” (EUCAIS) is delivered by the Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP) and the Centre international de Formation européenne (CIFE). Now into its second year, 28 post-graduates and young professionals from Central Asia (Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Afghanistan and the Chinese Province of Xinjiang) again journeyed to Berlin for their third presence workshop, held on 10-18 July 2011. Students sat exams for the previous semester's subjects and attended introductory lectures for their third semester subjects. Topics of the upcoming courses are: “Political and Economic Aspects of Transition of Countries in Eastern Europe and Central Asia”, “The EU and the Relations with Central Asia – Lessons of the Past for Strategies of the Future”, and “Methodology of Academic Work in Research and Writing”.

They also participated in simulation of international negotiations and heard presentations from the German Federal Chancellery and Human Rights Watch Germany.

For more information on EUCAIS, please visit the website: www.eucais.org

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)**Seminar on “The Future of Mediation on Nagorno-Karabakh”****11 July 2011**

http://www.iai.it/pdf/Convegni/Nagorno-Karabakh_110711.pdf, Rome

Institute for World Economics of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (IWE)**Conference on Sustainable Governance Indicators 2011 (SGI) – Policy Performance and Executive Capacity in the OECD****14 July 2011**

The SGI 2011, recently published by the Bertelsmann Foundation, constitutes a new instrument for comparing and assessing the need and capacity for policy reform in the OECD world (www.sgi-network.org). With its dual focus on the sustainability of democracy and market economy as well as the governmental management

activities in 31 OECD countries the SGI goes far beyond existing indices.

The results of the SGI 2011 were presented with a special focus on the Central and Eastern European OECD-countries.

Institute for World Economics of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest,
European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research, Vienna

Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP)

Workshop to a book project

14-15 July 2011

On July 14-15, 2011, young experts met in Berlin to discuss their papers contributing to the book project "Neighbourhood and Accession-Europeanization – A comparison in Practice". The workshop, which was organized by the Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP) and the Kolleg-Forschergruppe "The Transformative Power of Europe", took place at the Freie Universität Berlin and at the IEP. The young professionals are writing policy papers which are based on primary research, and which highlight the topics of enlargement and the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) during a phase of rethinking this policy in response to the Arab spring and the negotiations of a new Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF). The policy papers should formulate recommendations, should be value-driven and focus on policy change. The book-publication is planned for the end of this year.

Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

8th Meeting of the IAI Laboratory's Global Outlook, new edition "Internationalisation of the Italian economy: future scenarios"

19 July 2011

<http://www.iai.it/content.asp?langid=2&contentid=458>, Rome

Institute for World Economics of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

Press conference: presentation of the World Investment Report 2011 – non equity modes of international production and development

26 July 2011

Speakers:

Mihály Simai, research professor, IWE, and advisor of UNCTAD:

World Investment Report 2011. the transnational companies and network after the crisis

Andrea Szalavetz, senior research fellow, IWE:
The Hungarian companies and the international production networks

Upcoming events hosted by TEPSA member institutes

AGENDA

**Centre for Small State Studies
University of Iceland**



**INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
CENTRE FOR SMALL STATE STUDIES
UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND**

The Europe Dialogues Seminar Series

August 2011-May 2012

The IIA recently received a Jean Monnet grant from the European Union in order to hold a series of lectures this coming academic year, continued from last year's "The Europe Dialogues Seminar Series". As summer is soon coming to an end, we have started our preparations for our annual seminar series and this year we will focus our attention on "A Dialogue on European Integration - Small States and the European Union". The lectures, 25 in all, will take place on Fridays at noon for the coming fall and winter and will continue throughout spring. We have some excellent academics, Icelandic and foreign who will discuss the European Union with a focus on small states. As Iceland has already begun its negotiations process for possible EU membership, the aim is to shed light on Iceland with its strong connection to Europe. These lectures are very informative and this is an excellent chance for Icelandic academics, government members and the general public to learn more about the EU, its policies, pros and cons and what Iceland can gain as well as being an influence within the EU. We have a wide range of topics that will be discussed this coming year, from EU treaties to fisheries and environmental policies, Nordic influence and Eastern partnership, roles of member states within the EU and to EU and Islam, to name just a few.

We already have confirmation from a few well known academics who have accepted our invitation, for example, *Professor Simon Bulmer* from the University of Sheffield, *Professor Clive Archer* from Manchester Metropolitan University, *Professor Diana Panke* from the University College Dublin, *Annica Kronsell* from Lund University and *Gunilla Herolf* from SIPRI. But starting this fall, we will host two lectures about Finland and its experience within the EU. The first lecture will be held on August 24th by *Teija Tiilikainen* from the Finnish Institute of International Affairs. She will discuss the possibilities and influences of small states within the EU, and the second lecture will take place on Tuesday the 13th of September when *Antti*

Kuosmanen, ambassador of Finland at OECD will lecture on Finland's experience in the negotiations' and application process for EU membership. It is greatly appreciated we received such a generous grant from the Jean Monnet foundation. We are able to invite some excellent academics and hold our annual seminar series. This coming academic year will be an exciting year for EU discussions, thus we are very much looking forward to greeting the academics and hosting the lectures.

oiiip- Austrian Institute for International Affairs Panel Discussion on Asia in the Eyes of Europe“– Public and Media perceptions of Asia in Europe: challenges and opportunities for external relations with Asia

27 September 2011, 6:00 p.m.

Welcome remarks: *Prof. Otmar Höll*, Director, oiiip
H.E. Martin Eichinger, ASEF Governor for Austria, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (tbc)

Chair: *Ms. Anjeli Narandran*, Assistant Director, Intellectual Exchange, ASEF

Panellists: *Ms. Melanie Pichler*, Researcher, oiiip
Dr. Sebastian Bersick – Research Co-ordinator, „Asia in the Eyes of Europe“, & Associate Researcher – DGAP

Dr. Natalia Chaban – Deputy Director - NCRE
Discussants: *Dr. Bernhard Zimburg*, Austrian Foreign Ministry, Representative of the Vienna Chamber of Commerce

Venue: House of the European Union, Wipplinger Str. 35, 1010 Vienna

In cooperation with the [Asia-Europe Foundation](#) (ASEF) & the [House of the European Union](#)

College of Europe, EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies

International Conference “Challenges Facing the 21st Century Diplomat: Representation, Communication, Negotiation and Training”

25-26 October 2011, Bruges

Modern diplomats face new challenges as the mechanisms of representation, communication and negotiation, through which states and other international players interact, are being altered by more actors, more channels and more issues to deal with. These challenges also need to be reflected in diplomatic training. For more information and registration please visit www.coleurope.eu/diplomacy21

News from outside TEPSA network

Centre for EU-Russia Studies at the University of Tartu

Employment and fellowship opportunities for scholars working on EU-Russia relations have been published at the recently established **Centre for EU-Russia Studies at the University of Tartu (Estonia)**. Please [click here](#) to download the document for information about vacant positions, travel grants and postdoctoral fellowship opportunities. The closing date for applications is **1st October 2011**.

Publications

TEPSA Secretary-General

Jean Paul Jacqu e, **The accession of the European Union to the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, Common Market Law Review**, 2011, pp. 995-1023

Institut f ur Europ aische Politik (IEP)

Katrin B ottger/Mariella Falkenhain, **The EU's policy towards Azerbaijan: what role for civil society?**, SPES Policy Paper, June 2011.

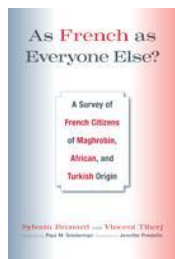
This paper deals with the question of the extent to which the EU's normative agenda is pursued and implemented in the case of Azerbaijan. The paper, which is based on interviews with EU officials working in Azerbaijan and local civil society actors, enables a greater insight into the questions of whether the implementation of the ENP in Azerbaijan matches its formulation, and how the ENP goals and their implementation resonate in the Azerbaijani civil society. The paper is available at the IEP website [http://www.iep-berlin.de/817.html?&L=1&tx_ttnews\[tt_news\]=889&cHash=56b5911d08aef81e9b100d865fd4e5da](http://www.iep-berlin.de/817.html?&L=1&tx_ttnews[tt_news]=889&cHash=56b5911d08aef81e9b100d865fd4e5da)

Centre d' tudes europ ennes, Science Po Paris

(thesis) *Catherine Hoeffler*, Sciences Po/CEE has defended her dissertation "**Fighting the market. Changes in the defence procurement policies in France, in Germany and in the UK from 1989 to 2006**" on July 11, 2011



Palier, Bruno and al, **Social progress in the 21st Century, The Amsterdam Process**, May 2011 <http://www.policy-network.net/publications/4027/Social-progress-in-the-21st-Century>



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*Audren Frédéric, Halpérin Jean Louis, Stora-Lamarre Annie, **La république et son droit (1870-1930)**, Presses Universitaires de Franche-Comté, June 2011*
http://alufc.univ-fcomte.fr/index.php?page=2&cle_ouvrage=931&cas=ouvrage



*Graziano, Paolo, Jacquot, Sophie and Palier, Bruno, **The EU and the Domestic Politics of Welfare State Reforms**, Palgrave Macmillan, June 2011*
<http://www.palgrave.com/products/title.aspx?pid=488552>

*Audren, Frédéric, Laborier, Pascale, Napoli, Paolo, Vogel, Jakob (Dir.), **Les sciences caméras. Activités pratiques et histoire des dispositifs publics**, Presses Universitaires de France, June 2011*
<http://www.u-picardie.fr/labo/curapp/>

*Palier Bruno (Sciences Po/Centre d'études européennes) and Kathleen Thelen (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) **Institutionalizing Dualism: Complementarities and Change in France and Germany***

Inaugurated in 2004, this award - administered by the French Politics Group of the American Political Science Association with the Association Française de Science Politique - is given to the best English-language article on French Politics published in any peer reviewed journal during the previous two years. This year, 301 articles were considered.

The awarded article was published in *Politics and Society* (march 2010) by *Bruno Palier* (Sciences Po/Centre d'études européennes, CNRS) and *Kathleen Thelen* (Massachusetts Institute of Technology): "Institutionalizing Dualism: Complementarities and Change in France and Germany?".

The following researchers were previously awarded: Eliza Ferguson (University of New

Mexico), James Shields (University of Warwick), David Yost (US Naval Postgraduate School), Elaine Thomas (Bard College)
<http://pas.sagepub.com/content/38/1/119.abstract>

Elcano Royal Institute

27th edition of the Barometer of the Elcano Royal Institute, The 27th edition of the BRIE -a survey carried out three times a year of a sample of 1,200 people considered a fair cross-section of the Spanish population- focuses on issues such as the situation in Greece and the attitude of the German government, Angela Merkel's popularity after the e.coli crisis, the support to the mission in Libya, the comparison between the 15-M movement and the Arab Spring, Osama Bin Laden's death, nuclear energy and soft power in Spain.

*Gonzalo Escribano, **The International Energy Agency Responds to the Libyan Crisis (ARI)***

On 23 June, the International Energy Agency (IEA) announced the release of 60 million barrels of its members' strategic petroleum reserves in July. In justifying the move, the IEA cited the need to mitigate the effects of the Libyan crisis, but it has been interpreted as a call for the Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to boost production and not jeopardise the economic recovery, as well as giving Saudi Arabia time to make the announced production increase materialise.

*Carmen González Enríquez, **Temporary Migration between Morocco and Spain (ARI)***

European institutions and international bodies now present Spain's management of temporary migration from Morocco as a success story to be emulated.

*Silvia Montero and Juan A. Sánchez, Elcano Royal Institute, **Elcano Dossier on the Arab Unrest N° 3***

*Dennis Kux, **US-Pakistan Relations in the Summer of 2011 (ARI)***

This ARI discusses the current crisis in US-Pakistan relations and analyses the interaction between Washington and Islamabad since the events of 9/11.

*Lorenzo Vidino, **The Impact of the Arab Awakening on Muslim Radicalization in Europe: A Preliminary Assessment (ARI)***

While it is premature to draw conclusions, there are reasons to believe that the events of the Arab Awakening are not triggering a wave of radicalisation among European Muslims but might actually decrease it.

Haruko Satoh, [Fukushima and the Future of Nuclear Energy in Japan: The Need for a Robust Social Contract \(ARI\)](#)

The Fukushima accident in March 2011 calls for the reassessment of the nuclear regime in Japan, especially as regards to public safety.

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*Silvia Colombo, **Syria and Lebanon: Diverging Paths of State Unsustainability**, MEDPRO Technical Report No. 6, June 2011, <http://www.medpro-foresight.eu/publication/syria-and-lebanon-diverging-paths-state-unsustainability>*

*Michele Comelli & Raffaello Matarazzo, **Rehashed Commission Delegations or Real Embassies? The EU Delegations after Lisbon**, IAI Working Papers 11 | 23, July 2011, <http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/iaiw1123.pdf>*

*Philippe Droz-Vincent, **A Return of Armies to the Forefront of Arab Politics?**, IAI Working Papers 11 | 21, July 2011, <http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/iaiw1121.pdf>*

*Michael Emerson, Nathalie Tocci, Richard Youngs, Jean-Pierre Cassarino, Christian Egenhofer, Giovanni Grevi & Daniel Gros, **Global Matrix. A Conceptual and Organisational Framework for Researching the Future of Global Governance**, Documenti IAI 11 | 09, July 2011, <http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/iai1109.pdf>*

*Massimiliano Fiore, **Israel and Iran's Nuclear Weapon Programme: Roll Back or Containment?**, IAI Working Papers 11 | 18, July 2011, <http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/iaiw1118.pdf>*

*Eva Gross & Alessandro Rotta, **The EEAS and the Western Balkans**, IAI Working Papers 11 | 15, June 2011, <http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/iaiw1115.pdf>*

*Miguel Haubrich Seco, **Decoupling Trade from Politics: The EU and Region-Building in the Andes**, IAI Working Papers 11 | 20, July 2011, <http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/iaiw1120.pdf>*

*Nicole Koenig, **The EU and the Libyan Crisis: In Quest of Coherence?**, IAI Working Papers 11 | 19, July 2011, <http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/iaiw1119.pdf>*

*Alessandro Marrone, **Afghanistan in transition: the security context post-Bin Laden**, IAI Working Papers 11 | 13, June 2011, <http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/iaiw1113.pdf>*

*Paolo Napolitano, **Israel and Palestine and State (Un)sustainability**, MEDPRO Technical Report No. 5, June 2011, <http://www.medpro-foresight.eu/publication/israel-and-palestine-and-state-unsustainability>*

*Nathalie Tocci, **The EU, the Middle East Quartet and (In)effective Multilateralism**, Mercury E-paper No. 9, June 2011, http://www.iai.it/pdf/MERCURY/Mercury-epaper_09.pdf*

*Anna Veclani, Nicolò Sartori, Rosa Rosanelli, **The Challenges for European Policy on Access to Space**, IAI Working Papers 11 | 22, July 2011 <http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/iaiw1122.pdf>*

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*Heinz Gärtner, **The Responsibility to Protect (R2P) and Libya**, July 2011 http://www.oiiip.ac.at/fileadmin/Unterlagen/Dateien/Kurzanalysen/Responsibility_to_Protect_and_Libya.pdf*

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*John Bunzl, **Die Umwälzungen in der arabischen Welt und der Palästinakonflikt**, June 2011 http://www.oiiip.ac.at/fileadmin/Unterlagen/Dateien/Publikationen/Umwaelzungen_arabische_Welt_und_Palaestinakonflikt.pdf*

Studies for the European Parliament/Report:

*Alexander Klimburg (oiiip) and Heli Tirmaa-Klar, **Cybersecurity and Cyberpower: Concepts, Conditions and Capabilities for Action within the EU***

The study analyses policy options for strengthening cybersecurity within the EU and examining potential points-of-entry, including

within the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP). The study provides an overview of the principle concepts and definitions of cyber security and cyber war, drawing attention to the complexity and cross-jurisdictional nature of the field. In addition to examining current cyber threats to the EU, the study also analyses the capacity of the EU to address more sophisticated cyber-attacks within a common framework. In this respect the study offers important insights into the political, operational and structural challenges that need to be addressed in order to protect the EU and its citizens as well and to exercise “cyberpower” on the international stage. The study takes stock of the existing NATO and EU capabilities related to cyber security and highlights the added value of the EU in applying a diverse range of policies that can help enable it to comprehensively tackle the increasing range of cyber threats. The study has been requested to introduce Members of the European Parliament’s Sub-Committee on Security and Defence (SEDE) to the current issues in cyber security and cyber warfare, as well as to provide a selection of policy recommendations, including within the CSDP context. The study also provides innovative conceptual understanding on what might constitute EU “cyberpower”.

Download study:

http://www.oaip.ac.at/fileadmin/Unterlagen/Dateien/Publikationen/EP_Study_FINAL.pdf

The study was first published on the eStudies website of the European Parliament. Find the website and the original study here:

<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/activities/committees/studies/download.do?language=en&file=41648#search=%20Cyber>

Find the European Parliament Hearing here: [http://www.europarl.europa.eu/wps-europarl-internet/frd/vod/player?eventCode=20110615-0930-COMMITTEE-](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/wps-europarl-internet/frd/vod/player?eventCode=20110615-0930-COMMITTEE-SEDE&language=EN&byLeftMenu=researchcommittee&category=COMMITTEE&format=wmv#anchor1)

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EU-Project/Study, Good Practices Manual for CIP Policies - Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) policies in Europe

Many nations are currently working on Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) programmes, often facing similar issues and challenges. The sharing of experiences, challenges and solutions would greatly benefit these initiatives. The project has the objective to integrate CIP knowledge and experiences by identifying good practices. These are aggregated and shared among all policymakers in Europe by means of a manual. This manual was developed by a consortium led by TNO, with project partners from government

organisations in the Netherlands, Slovakia, Estonia, and oip.

oip - Contributor: Alexander Klimburg

Download the report:

http://www.oaip.ac.at/fileadmin/Unterlagen/Dateien/Publikationen/FINAL_RECIFE_manual.pdf

Institute for World Economics of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

Short notice series on www.vki.hu

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[Margit Rácz: Questions about Debt-financing in the Eurozone](#)

G. Túry–K. Vida (eds.), **Monitoring report on the performance of the 10 new member countries**, IWE, Budapest, 2011 (in Hungarian)

Open Consultations of the European Commission

TEPSA would like to draw your attention to the following open consultation.

The Direction General for Research and Innovation published a Consultation on scientific information in the digital age.

This consultation addresses all citizens and organisations concerned with access to and preservation of digital scientific information are welcome to contribute to this consultation. Contributions are particularly sought from governments, research institutions and universities, libraries, scientific publishers, research funding organisations, businesses, individual researchers and other interested parties.

In late 2011, the European Commission intends to adopt a Communication and Recommendation on access to and preservation of digital scientific information. This initiative builds on earlier policy developments in this area, and is being developed within the policy contexts of the EU Flagship Initiatives Innovation Union and Digital Agenda for

Europe, and of the push for improved knowledge circulation in the European Research Area.

The period of consultation will last from 15.07.2011 to 09.09.2011.

More information on how to submit your contribution can be found here: http://ec.europa.eu/research/consultations/scientific_information/consultation_en.htm

The Direction General for Internal market published a Consultation on Modernising the Professional Qualifications Directive.

The Green Paper is aimed at gathering stakeholders' views on a modernisation of the **Professional Qualifications Directive** (Directive 2005/36/EC).

This Directive, adopted in 2005, sets the rules for mutual recognition of professional qualifications between Member States. Beyond a few innovations, it mainly consolidated and simplified 15 previous Directives, some of which dated back to the 1960s.

The reform of the system of recognition of professional qualifications as a means to facilitate mobility is one of the priority actions proposed by the Commission in the Single Market Act. With the view to preparing this reform, the Commission wishes to consult stakeholders on:

- new approaches to mobility
- ways to build on achievements
- and on the modernisation of the automatic recognition

The period of consultation will last From 22/06/2011 to 20/09/2011.

More information on how to submit your contribution can be found here: http://ec.europa.eu/internal_market/consultations/2011/professional_qualifications_directive_en.htm