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Between Cooperation and Competition: Major Powers in Shared Neighbourhoods – Lessons for the EU

International Conference

Thursday, 22 September 2016

PROGRAMME

Venue: College of Europe, Verversdijk 16, AUD.1, 8000 Bruges, Belgium

9:00 Registration (*Foyer*)

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

9:30 Welcome and introduction: major powers and shared neighbourhoods – setting the scene

Luk VAN LANGENHOVE Director, UN University-Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS), Bruges

Sieglinde GSTÖHL, Professor and Director of the Department of EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies, College of Europe, Bruges

SESSION I Eurasia: the EU and Russia in their shared neighbourhood

9:45 Chair: *Simon SCHUNZ*, Professor, Department of EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies, College of Europe, Bruges

9:50 The EU, its 'Eastern neighbourhood' and Russia

Laure DELCOUR, Scientific Coordinator, EUFP7 project CASCADE, FMSH, Paris, and Visiting Professor, College of Europe, Bruges

10:10 Russia, its 'Near Abroad' and the EU

Vsevolod SAMOKHVALOV, Research Associate, Centre for Development Studies/Central Asia Forum, University of Cambridge

10:30 Discussion opened by

Timofei BORDACHEV, Director, Council for Foreign and Defence Policy, and Director, Center for Comprehensive European and International Studies at the National Research University-Higher School of Economics, Moscow

11:00 Coffee break

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SESSION II The Middle East and North Africa (MENA): the EU, Turkey and the Gulf States in their shared neighbourhood

11:30 Chair: *Sieglinde GSTÖHL*, Professor and Director of the Department of EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies, College of Europe, Bruges

11:35 The EU, its 'Southern neighbourhood' and the Middle Eastern powers
Tobias SCHUMACHER, Chairholder of the European Neighbourhood Policy Chair, College of Europe, Natolin

11:55 The Middle Eastern powers, Turkey, the MENA region and the EU
Louise FAWCETT, Professor of International Relations, Wilfrid Knapp Fellow and Tutor in Politics, St Catherine's College, Oxford University

12:15 Discussion opened by
Özlem TERZI, Associate Professor, Faculty of Political Science, Istanbul University, and Visiting Scholar, College of Europe, Bruges

12:45 *Buffet lunch (Foyer)*

SESSION III Asia: China and India in their shared neighbourhood

14:15 Chair: *Luk VAN LANGENHOVE*, Director, UN University-Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS), Bruges

14:20 China, its neighbourhood and India
Carla FREEMAN, Executive Director, Foreign Policy Institute at SAIS, Johns Hopkins University

14:40 India, its neighbourhood and China
Rahul ROY-CHAUDHURY, Senior Fellow for South Asia, International Institute for Strategic Studies, London

15:00 Discussion opened by
Jing MEN, Baillet Latour Professor of European Union - China Relations, and Director, EU-China Research Centre, College of Europe, Bruges

15:30 *Coffee break*

SESSION IV The Americas: Brazil and the United States in their shared neighbourhood

16:00 Chair: *Ana AMAYA*, Research Fellow, UN University-Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS), Bruges

16:05 Brazil, Latin America and the United States
Any FREITAS, Brazil Institute, King's College, London, and Team Leader, Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies, Brussels

16:25 The US, Latin America and Brazil
Tom LONG, Lecturer, Politics and International Relations, University of Reading



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16:45 Discussion opened by
Alfredo VALLADÃO, Director, Latin America Research Chair, HEM Rabat, and
Professor at Sciences-Po, Paris

17:15 Conclusions of the academic part of the conference: lessons for the EU
Simon SCHUNZ, Professor, Department of EU International Relations and Diplomacy
Studies, College of Europe, Bruges

17:30 Closing Address: The new EU Global Strategy in a multipolar world
Michael REITERER, Principal Advisor at the Asia and Pacific Department, European
External Action Service, Brussels

18:15 *Reception (Foyer)*

19:15 *End of conference*

19:30 *Post-conference dinner for speakers*

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