

## SPEAKERS



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His research interests focus on patterns of international cooperation and modes of norm diffusion and policy transfers in dynamic regional consultative processes, especially with reference to the "management" of migration and borders. He is most interested in comparatively analyzing policy design and implementation as well as how policy transfers are administered (and often readjusted) through processes of bilateral and multilateral consultations between the EU and third countries.



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