

# Present challenges for the EU's foreign policy - What Italy and Germany may offer to perform better

## EXPERT SEMINAR

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## Thursday, 10 November 2011

### 14.00 **Welcome and introduction**

Prof. Dr. Gianni BONVICINI  
Executive Vice President, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

Dr. Elfriede REGELSBERGER  
Deputy Director, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin

H.E. Michael H. GERDTS  
Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany, Rome

### 14.30-16.30 **Session I: Institutional change and innovation or deadlock in CFSP – 2 years of experience with the Lisbon Treaty**

#### *Chair*

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang WESSELS  
Jean-Monnet-Chair, Research Institute for Political Science and European Affairs,  
University of Cologne

#### *Introductions and comment*

Dr. Wolf-Ruthart BORN  
Former Secretary of State, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin

Amb. Sandro DE BERNARDIN  
Director General for Political Affairs and Security, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Rome

Dr. Antonio MISSIROLI  
Bureau of European Policy Advisers (BEPA), European Commission, Brussels

### 16.30-16.45 **Coffee break**

### 16.45-19.00 **Session II: CSDP and recent initiatives - new dynamism, status quo or re-nationalisation?**

#### *Chair*

Prof. Stefano SILVESTRI  
President, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

#### *Introductions and comment*

Dr. Ulrich SANTE  
Head of Common Security and Defence Policy Division, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin

Min. Giovanni BRAUZZI  
Head of the CFSP/CSDP Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Rome

Dr. Claudia MAJOR  
Deputy Head of Research Division, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), Berlin

20.00 **Dinner invitation** of H.E. Ambassador Michael H. GERDTS  
at the Ambassador's Residence: Villa Almone, Via Cristoforo Colombo 1, Rome  
(bus transfer will be provided)

## Friday, 11 November 2011

9.00 – 10.30 **Session III: Dilemmas and strategic choices in policies towards Eastern Europe: ENP and Eastern Partnership**

*Chair*

Dr. Ettore GRECO  
Director, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

*Introductions and comment*

Prof. Serena GIUSTI  
Professor of European Institutions, Catholic University, Milan

Dr. Katrin BÖTTGER  
Deputy Director, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin

Dr. Michele COMELLI  
Senior Fellow, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

10.30-11.00 **Coffee break**

11.00-13.00 **Session IV: The EU's performance since the "Arab spring" in North Africa and the Middle East - success and failure**

*Chair*

Prof. Dr. Gianni BONVICINI  
Executive Vice President, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

*Introductions and comment*

Dr. Stefan LEHNE  
Carnegie Europe, Brussels

Roberto ALIBONI  
Head of Department, Mediterranean and Middle East, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

Prof. Dr. Annette JÜNEMANN  
Professor for Political Science and International Relations, Helmut-Schmidt-University,  
University of the Federal Armed Forces, Hamburg

Dr. Marco OVERHAUS, Research Division EU External Relations, German Institute for  
International and Security Affairs (SWP), Berlin

13.00 **Concluding Remarks**

Dr. Elfriede REGELSBERGER  
Deputy Director, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin

13.30 **Farewell Lunch**