



The EU as a Security Actor

Presentation

This lecture aims at providing students with some knowledge about European security and the role the EU plays in that respect. While European Security has been considered for a long time as dependent almost exclusively on the Transatlantic Alliance (NATO) and its American pillar, the European Union has been developing a comprehensive security policy (CFSP/CSDP). This has been a controversial issue in both political and scientific realms, for some considered it an anomaly with regard to the alleged – sometimes self-proclaimed – nature of the EU. This course focuses on the historical development and nature of EU's diverse activities in the realm of security, and on the various ways to make sense of these.

Recommended Prerequisite(s)

This course requires some knowledge of the history of European integration and of the functioning of EU institutions and policies (see Third-Year course on European Institutions). This lecture requires students to have some background in European integration and policymaking.

In brief

ECTS credits : 2.0

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Teaching activity : Lecture course

Year : Third year

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