

In recent years, the European Union has faced a series of political and social challenges that have threatened the foundations of its integration model. Since 2008, the economic and financial crisis has put into question the achievement of the single currency and the sustainability of the European welfare system. The emergency linked to migratory flows in the Mediterranean and through the Balkan route, together with threats to European security arising from the instability of the neighborhood and terrorist attacks, led to a retreat on the principles of free circulation and solidarity in Europe. The scenario and the progressive disaffection of citizens from the European project have encouraged the emergence of populist movements and the strengthening of Eurosceptic parties, and a referendum pending in the UK to decide to withdraw from the Union. These trends undermine the internal cohesion of the Union, but also its ability to project internationally. Ultimately, the EU must rethink its model through a revision of the bases and mechanisms of the integration process, particularly in the areas most affected by the ongoing crisis. The definition of a common defence policy and the management of internal and external security are indispensable to ensure the stability of the Member States and the protection of European citizens, contributing to the maintenance of peace beyond the European Union borders while promoting more advanced forms of pooled sovereignty at the European level. At the same time, interventions in these areas must be accompanied by common citizenship policies that strengthen the pact between European institutions and citizens and the democratic dimension of the European decision-making process as a whole.

In order to deepen the reflection on these issues, the Centre of excellence Altiero Spinelli (CeAS) of University “Roma Tre”, in collaboration with Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI) of Rome, organizes this seminar devoted to the common European defence. The seminar will offer an opportunity to point at and debate historical, legal, institutional, political and economic issues and aspects of the European defense, with the participation of scholars, experts, and representatives of European and national institutions and the media. The initiative is part of a cycle of seminars organised in cooperation and with the sponsorship of *La Cittadinanza Europea*, *Civitas Europa*, and *Revista de derecho constitucional europeo*.

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Thursday 19 May

**15.00-15.30 Registration of participants**

**15.30-16.00 Welcome addresses**

**Luigi Moccia**, President, Altiero Spinelli Centre - Jean Monnet Centre of excellence, "Roma Tre" (CeAS), University "Roma Tre"

**Vincenzo Camporini**, Vice President, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

**16.00-16.45 Opening speech**

**Mario Telò**, Université Libre de Bruxelles, LUISS Guido Carli, Rome  
*The European foreign, security and defence policy: theoretical approaches and critical aspects*

**16.45-17.00 Coffee break**

**17.00-18.00 Session I:**

**The European security and defence policy between theory and practice**

**José Antonio Montilla**, University of Granada  
*The CSDP in the current EU crisis*

**Touhami Abdouli**, former Vice Minister in charge of Arab and African Affairs, Tunisian Government  
*Facing the security challenges in the Euro-Mediterranean area: another side's point of view*

**Andrea Frontini**, European Policy Centre, Brussels  
and **Mariagiulia Amadio**, LUISS Guido Carli, Rome  
*The new institutions of Lisbon: the role of the European External Action Service in the field of security and defence*

**18.00-18.30 Discussion**

Friday 20 May

**9.30-10.15 Session II:**

**The defence sector: institutions and procedures, market integration and new technologies**

**Nicoletta Pirozzi**, IAI and University "Roma Tre"  
*Mechanisms and operations of the Common Security and Defence Policy: the clauses of mutual defence (art. 42.7 TEU) and solidarity (art. 222 TFEU), civilian and military operations*

**Jean Pierre Darnis**, IAI and University of Nice  
*Un marché intégré pour l'industrie de la sécurité et défense en Europe ? Le cas du secteur spatial*

**Torben Schuetz**, Independent Expert, Berlin  
*New technologies for defence: the role of the European Defence Agency*

**10,15-10,45 Discussion**

**10.45-11.00 Coffee break**

**11.00-12.30 Tavola rotonda conclusiva**  
**Verso una difesa europea: opportunità e sfide**

**Rosa Maria Villecco Calipari**, Commissione Difesa, Camera dei deputati  
**Alessandro Azzoni**, Capo Unità PESC/PSDC, Ministero Affari esteri e Cooperazione internazionale

**Stefano Cont**, Capo Ufficio per la Politica militare, Ministero della difesa

**Marco Piantini**, Consigliere per gli affari europei del Presidente del Consiglio  
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