

Central Asia – Exploring EU interests and options Brainstorming Workshop II

German Federal Foreign Office, Berlin
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PROGRAMME

- 11:00-11:30 **Registration and coffee**
- 11:30-11:45 **Welcome and introduction to the topic**
Cord Meier-Klodt, Director for Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin
Igors Apokins, Ambassador at Large for Central Asia, Latvian Foreign Ministry, Riga
Mathias Jopp, Director, Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP), Berlin
- 11:45-13:30 **Panel I: The Central Asia strategy in context: interests and priorities**
Chair Katrin Böttger Deputy Director, Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP), Berlin
Impulse Sarah Lain, Royal United Services Institute, RUSI, London
 Nadine Godehardt Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Berlin
- 13:30-14:00 **Sandwich lunch**
- 14:00-15:30 **Panel II: The Central Asian republics: bilateral and regional interests**
Chair Urszula Pallasz, Policy Planning, European External Action Service, Brussels
Impulse Pal Dunay, Director, OSCE Academy, Bishkek
 Chiara Pierobon, Bielefeld University
 Marc Bogdahn, Head of Division for Central Asia and South Caucasus, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin
- 15:30-15:45 **Coffee Break**
- 15:45-17:15 **Panel III: Recommendations for operationalising a new strategy (the EU, in cooperation with potential partners)**
Chair Luc Véron, Deputy Head of Division, Central Asia, European External Action Service, Brussels
Impulse Eva Gross, Senior Analyst, EU Institute for Security Studies, Paris
- 17:00-17:30 **Concluding Remarks**
Antonio Missiroli, Director, EU Institute for Security Studies, Paris
Michael Nowak, Policy Planning, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin