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Time	
8:45 – 9:00	Registration
9:00 – 9:05	Welcome and Opening Address Professor Philomena Murray, Jean Monnet Chair <i>ad personam</i> and Dr Margherita Matera, The University of Melbourne
9:05 – 10:05	Session 1: Enhancing EU-Australia Engagement Chair and Discussant: Professor Philomena Murray, The University of Melbourne H.E. Mr Justin Brown, Australian Ambassador to the European Union, Belgium, Luxembourg and NATO: <i>Prospects for Australia’s relations with the EU</i> Ms Paola Pampaloni, European External Action Service: <i>Implementing the new framework of EU Australia relations: ways for increasing bilateral cooperation</i>
10:05 – 11:15	Session 2: Strengthening the International Trading System Chair and Discussant: Mr Tobias Gehrke, Egmont Institute Professor Richard Pomfret, The University of Adelaide: <i>Convergence of EU and Australia views on the international trading system in the 21st century</i> Dr Evita Schmieg, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik: <i>Challenges in the multilateral trading system</i> Dr Lachlan McKenzie, Australia New Zealand School of Government and Dr Evgeny Postnikov, The University of Melbourne: <i>The EU and Australian Approaches Towards Trade Bilateralism: Discrepancies and Potential Synergies</i>
11:15 – 11:30	Morning Tea
11:30 – 12:50	Session 3: The Australia-EU Free Trade Agreement Chair and Discussant: Mr Jason Collins, European Australia Business Council Dr Maria Garcia, University of Bath: <i>Divergent approaches to regulation as a challenge to EU-Australia FTA negotiations</i> Ms Helen Stylianou, Australian Embassy to Belgium and Luxembourg and Australian Mission to the European Union and NATO, Brussels: <i>The Australia-EU FTA: the Australian perspective</i> Dr Christian Burgsmüller, Member of the Cabinet of Commissioner Cecilia Malmström: <i>The EU-Australia FTA as part of the larger EU trade agenda</i> Ms Iana Dreyer, Borderlex: <i>The changing politics and policy of EU trade - implications for Australia</i>
12:50 – 13:20	Lunch
13:20 – 14:30	Session 4: Tackling Regional and Global Security Challenges Chair and Discussant: Dr Alica Kizekova, Institute of International Relations Prague Ms Cindy Rose, Australian Embassy to Belgium and Luxembourg and Australian Mission to the European Union and NATO, Brussels: <i>Australia and the EU: working together in a challenging global environment</i> Mr Jaap Ora, European External Action Service: <i>The benefits of EU-Australia security partnership</i> Dr Bruno Hellendorf, Egmont Institute: <i>Delivering on maritime security and nuclear non-proliferation cooperation between the EU and Australia</i> Dr Margherita Matera, The University of Melbourne: <i>Enhancing EU-Australia security cooperation</i>

14:30 – 15:45	<p>Session 5: Opportunities for Regional and Multilateral Engagement: the EU, Australia and Asia</p> <p>Chair and Discussant: Dr Lachlan McKenzie, Australia New Zealand School of Government</p> <p>Dr Isaac Kfir, Australian Strategic Policy Institute: <i>Australia and the EU: Shared interests in humanitarianism, the case of the Pacific Islands</i></p> <p>Dr Elena Atanassova-Cornellis, University of Antwerp: <i>Geopolitical trends in the Asia-Pacific</i></p> <p>Dr Nicola Casarini, Istituto Affari Internazionali: <i>Opportunities for EU-Australia regional engagement in light of China’s assertiveness and evolving dynamics in the Indo-Pacific</i></p> <p>Mr Hosuk Lee-Makiyama, European Centre for International Political Economy: <i>Australia in the EU’s roadmap for Asia</i></p>
15:45 – 16:00	Afternoon Tea
16:00 – 16:30	<p>Session 6: Climate Change and Environmental Issues</p> <p>Chair and Discussant: Mr Daniel Waterschoot, DG Clima, European Commission</p> <p>Professor Sebastian Oberthür, Vrije Universiteit Brussel: <i>EU-Australia Relations on Climate Change and Energy: Status and Future Prospects</i></p> <p>Mr Damon Jones, Climate Analytics: <i>Climate change policy – Challenges and opportunities for Australia and the EU</i></p>
16:30 – 17:00	<p>Session 7: Research and Educational Collaboration</p> <p>Chair and Discussant: Professor Louis Brennan, Trinity College Dublin</p> <p>Dr Alex Cooke, Australian Embassy to Belgium and Luxembourg and Australian Mission to the European Union and NATO, Brussels: <i>How Australian researchers collaborate with Europe on science, research and innovation</i></p> <p>Dr Theodore Papazoglou, Head of Unit, European Research Council Executive Agency: <i>Enhancing collaboration in frontier research between EU and Australia based researchers</i></p>
17:00pm – 17:45	<p>Session 8: Round Table: Synergies and Shared Concerns: Where to from here?</p> <p>Chair: Dr Margherita Matera, The University of Melbourne</p> <p>Dr Fabian Zuleeg, European Policy Centre: <i>Trade and investment: the EU-Australia economic relationship beyond Brexit</i></p> <p>Ms Shada Islam, Friends of Europe: <i>How the EU and Australia can work together for improved global governance</i></p> <p>Professor Philomena Murray, The University of Melbourne: <i>Towards closer engagement: regional cooperation and linkages</i></p>
17:45 – 18:30	Reception

BIOGRAPHIES OF SPEAKERS, CHAIRS AND DISCUSSANTS

Dr Elena Atanassova-Cornelis

Dr Elena Atanassova-Cornelis is a Senior Lecturer in International Relations of East Asia at the Department of Politics, University of Antwerp, Belgium. She is also a Professor at the School of Political and Social Sciences, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium, as well as a Visiting Professor at the Brussels School of International Studies (BSIS) of the University of Kent, the UK. Her research interests and expertise include international relations in the Asia-Pacific region with a special focus on security, in particular, Japanese security policy, security alliances and alignments in Asia, geopolitics in East Asia, as well as regional security cooperation in Asia. Dr Elena Atanassova-Cornelis has authored more than 30 academic articles, book chapters, briefing papers and reports covering various topics related to Asian-Pacific politics and security, and Asia-Europe relations. She has delivered more than 60 lectures and presentations at conferences, high-level expert meetings, and various universities in both Europe and Asia.

Professor Louis Brennan

Dr Louis Brennan is a Fellow of Trinity College and a Professor within the Trinity Business School at Trinity College Dublin. He previously served as Director of the Institute for International Integration Studies. He has lived and worked in Asia, Australia, Europe and the USA. His areas of research interest include Global Business and International Integration. He has published extensively in his areas of research interest and is a frequent contributor to the global discourse. Along with Professor Philomena Murray, he is the editor of *Drivers of Regionalism and Integration in Europe and Asia: Comparative Perspectives* published by Routledge in 2015. His passion is around mediating and shaping the future.

Ambassador Justin Brown

Mr Brown has been Australian Ambassador to the EU, Belgium, Luxembourg and NATO since April 2018. Prior to this appointment, he led the trade and investment group in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in Canberra, with responsibility for Australia's trade negotiations and trade policy agenda. During this period, he was Australia's chief negotiator in the TPP-11 negotiations. During his career, he led Australia's team in free trade negotiations with Thailand. He has been the head of the department's trade law unit and separately served as Australia's lead climate change negotiator. For three years, he was in charge of the department's consular and crisis management division. Overseas, he has been Australia's High Commissioner to Canada and, earlier in his career, he had postings in Los Angeles, Brussels and Copenhagen. He holds a Bachelor of Economics from the University of New England. In 2015, he was awarded the Public Service Medal.

Dr Christian Burgsmüller

Member of the Cabinet of Commissioner Cecilia Malmström. Dr Christian Burgsmüller is a career EU diplomat with the European External Action Service (EEAS). Since November 2014 he has been on secondment to the Cabinet (Private Office) of EU Trade Commissioner Dr Cecilia Malmström where he is responsible for the EU's trade relations with the US, Japan, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. Christian is a lawyer by training and joined the EU institutions in Brussels in 2000. Over the following 6 years he held posts both in the European Commission's Directorate-General for Enterprise and Industry as well as in the Directorate-General for Trade. Continuing his career overseas Christian headed the Political, Economic and Public Affairs section of the EU Delegation to Brazil in Brasilia from 2006 to 2010 and the Global Issues and Innovation section of the EU Delegation to the US in Washington DC from 2010 to 2014. Christian studied law in Freiburg im Breisgau, Geneva and Cologne and holds a Ph.D. in constitutional law from the University of Cologne. He has been a visiting lecturer on EU and German politics at Sciences Po Paris and the University of Sao Paulo.

Dr Nicola Casarini

Nicola Casarini is Senior Fellow and Head of Asia Research at the Institute of International Affairs (IAI) in Rome; and non-resident Global Fellow at the Wilson Center in Washington DC. Prior to this he was Visiting Professor at the Graduate Institute in Geneva; Public Policy Scholar at the Wilson Center, Washington DC; Senior Analyst at the EU Institute for Security Studies in Paris; Marie Curie Research Fellow and Jean Monnet Fellow at the European University Institute in Florence. He holds a PhD in international relations from the London School of Economics and Political Science. He has published numerous articles and papers on Asia-Europe relations, East Asia's security and transatlantic relations. Nicola is the author of the book: *Remaking Global Order. The Evolution of Europe-China Relations and its Implications for East Asia and the United States*; and of several edited volumes, including: *Promoting Security Cooperation and Trust Building in Northeast Asia. The Role of the European Union*.

Mr Jason Collins

Jason Collins was appointed CEO of the European Australian Business Council in 2007. He carries overall responsibility for the delivery of the Council's core programmes, membership and relations with Australian and European industry groups, government agencies, chambers of commerce, and other non-government organisations. From 2010 to 2013 he was the inaugural chair of the European Business Organisations Worldwide, an association of European business organisations spanning five continents. His previous experience includes working as an advisor and Chief of Staff in the NSW Parliament, and as Executive Director of the NSW Millennium Forum. He co-founded and maintains an interest in an advisory firm assisting companies on international business strategy, regulatory issues and stakeholder management. He is a board member of the Australia Youth Trust, a former chair of the Australasian Sponsorship Marketing Association, and has also served on the boards of the NSW Government's Export Advisory Council, and the Australia Asia Young Leaders Program.

Dr Alex Cooke

Dr Cooke is the Counsellor (Industry, Innovation and Science) based at the Australian Mission to the European Union in Brussels. Dr Cooke manages the relationship between Australia and European countries in relation to science, research and innovation matters, advance the portfolio's interests across Europe and facilitate bilateral relationships and dialogue between Australia and European countries. Dr Cooke has worked in the Science Policy Branch of the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science, with responsibility for domestic and international science matters, and as Senior Science Adviser for the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science. Dr Cooke supported the development of science-related measures under the Australian Government's National Innovation and Science Agenda, including the Global Innovation Strategy and policies to inspire Australians to engage with Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). Dr Cooke has worked with the last two Chief Scientists of Australia to provide advice to Government on a range of education, science and innovation policies.

Ms Iana Dreyer

Iana Dreyer is the founder and chief editor of Borderlex.eu, the leading news and analysis website on European trade policy. Before founding her publishing activity, Iana worked in think tanks, writing on trade and energy policy. She has worked with the European Centre for International Political Economy, the Institute Montaigne and the EU Institute for Security Studies. Iana has also worked for the Financial Times group and has trained in journalism. Iana is a graduate from the School London School of Economics and Sciences Po in Paris.

Mr Damon Jones

Damon is the head of Climate Diplomacy and Senior Legal Advisor at Climate Analytics. He is a highly experienced climate lawyer with a diverse background working in international, government and private sector organisations. He provides legal analysis and negotiating support to the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Least Developed Countries (LDCs) in UNFCCC negotiations and other climate related fora. Damon has advised extensively on domestic and international legal frameworks and carbon markets, and has led the development of climate policies and legislation. He holds a Master of Environmental Law from the University of Sydney and regularly writes, presents and teaches on climate.

Dr Maria Garcia

Maria is a senior lecturer and deputy head at the School of Politics, Languages and International Studies at the University of Bath (UK). She was previously a Marie Skłodowska-Curie Senior Fellow at the NCRE, University of Canterbury in New Zealand. Her research interests cover EU trade policy, the politics of preferential trade agreements, and regional integration. Her work has appeared in various academic journals including the *Journal of Common Market Studies*. She leads a GW4 project with colleagues at Bristol, Cardiff and Exeter involving engagement with business and regional authorities to understanding regional responses to Brexit in Wales and the South West of England. She is the current Secretary of UACES (Academic Association for European Studies), and co-editor of the *Handbook on the EU and International Trade* (2018, Edward Elgar).

Mr Tobias Gehrke

Tobias Gehrke is a Research Fellow in the Europe in the World Programme at the Egmont Institute in Brussels. His research focuses primarily on the strategic dimension of international and European trade and investment policies. He researches the security nexus of economic instruments in relation to the geoeconomic shifts in the international economic order. Mr Gehrke receives a scholarship from the EU Horizon 2020 Marie Curie ITN framework within the 'EU Trade and Investment Policy' network, under which he pursues a PhD at Ghent University and the Egmont Institute. Before joining the Egmont Institute, he was previously engaged in the Transatlantic Relations Programme of the German Council on Foreign Relations in Berlin and the private legal sector. He holds an MSc in International Relations and a LLM in International economic law.

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Bruno Hellendorff is Joint Research Fellow at the Egmont Institute and European Policy Centre (EPC) since 2018. His research focuses on the geo-economics and security dimensions of China's Belt and Road Initiative, as well as on defence and security issues in Europe-Asia relations (non-proliferation, maritime security). He is associate researcher at the IR center of the Université Catholique de Louvain (CECRI) and at the East Asian Studies center (EASt) of the Université Libre de Bruxelles. Prior to joining the Egmont Institute and EPC, he set up and coordinated a research programme dedicated to issues of "Peace and Security in Asia-Pacific" at the Group for Research and Information on Peace and Security (GRIP), a Brussels-based independent research centre. He has worked and published on many Asia-related academic, research and policy projects for various institutional partners, including international academic consortiums (EU COST program...), international organisations (including EU institutions) and various national ministries (defense, foreign affairs, etc.) and teaches as guest lecturer in several higher education institutions.

Ms Shada Islam

Shada Islam is responsible for policy oversight of Friends of Europe's initiatives, activities and publications. She has special responsibility for issues related to the Future of Europe, Migration, the Asia Programme and the Development Policy Forum. Shada is Visiting Professor at the College of Europe (Natolin) where she teaches Asia-Europe relations and has been selected as a fellow by the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB). She has been named as one of twenty most influential women in Brussels by Politico. Shada is the former Europe correspondent for the Far Eastern Economic Review and has previously worked on Asian and Migration issues at the European Policy Centre. She is one of the authors of Friends of Europe's much-read

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Dr Isaac Kfir

Isaac has a BA in History with honors from the University of Buckingham (1994), an M.A. from the University of Kent (1995) and a Ph.D. (1999) in International Relations from the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) in the UK. Isaac runs the national security program and the counterterrorism policy centre at the Australian Strategic Policy. He was an Associate Professor of International Relations at the Institute for International Strategy, Tokyo International University (TIU), Japan (2016-2017). Prior to that he was a Visiting Assistant Professor of Law and International Relations at Syracuse University (2009-2016) where he was also the Associate Director of the Mapping Global Insecurities Project at the Moynihan Institute for Global Affairs, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University (20014-2016). Between 2014 and 2016 he was the Co-Director of the National Security and Counterterrorism Research Centre, working on foreign fighters with the UN Counterterrorism Executive Directorate on Islamic radicalization. He currently works on issues relating to terrorism and national security, peacekeeping and humanitarian intervention, transitional justice and post-conflict reconstruction, and countering violent extremism.

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Sebastian Oberthür is Professor of Environment and Sustainable Development at the Institute for European Studies (IES) at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel. Trained as a political scientist with a strong background in international law, he is an internationally renowned expert for international and European environmental, climate and energy governance. He currently coordinates the international Jean Monnet Network Governing the EU's Climate and Energy Transition in Turbulent Times (GOVTRAN –www.govtran.eu). Professor Oberthür has published widely on these subjects and is invited regularly as an expert to participate in and speak at relevant conferences and workshops. He has followed the international negotiating processes on the protection of the ozone layer and on global climate for several years as a scientific observer and a government advisor. He serves on the editorial boards and review panels of various journals and as a reviewer of several national science foundations. He is also co-editor of the book series on “The European Union in International Affairs” with Palgrave Macmillan.

Mr Jaap Ora

Jaap Ora joined in September 2018 the Security and Defence Policy Directorate of the EEAS, where he is responsible for developing security and defence partnership between the EU and the countries in the Asia-Pacific region. Between 2015-2018 he served at the Delegation of the European Union to the Kyrgyz Republic, as Head of Political, Press and Information Section and from October 2017 also as Chargé d’Affaires a.i. He has previously served as Estonian diplomat in Azerbaijan, Estonian Delegation to NATO and in the United Kingdom, and he has also held various positions, including Director of Planning Division and Director for Western Europe and North America, in the Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Mr Ora is a graduate of History from the University of Tartu and he also holds Master’s degrees from the University of Cambridge and the University of Geneva.

Ms Paola Pampaloni

Ms. Paola Pampaloni has 26 years of experience in the EU Institutions. She joined the European Commission in 1993 in the Directorate General for External Relations as a desk officer responsible for the political relations and financial assistance for Central European countries. She was on the EU negotiating team during the 5th Enlargement process (for Poland, Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovakia, and Slovenia). From April 2000 until February 2014 she covered several positions in DG Enlargement, in the Directorate for Western Balkans. In 2002 she was appointed Head of Unit responsible for the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, in 2004 for Croatia and in 2009 for Bosnia and Herzegovina. She chaired the respective political dialogue (including Constitutional and judiciary reforms, rule of law, human rights, etc.), she negotiated and monitored the implementation of the Stabilisation and Association Agreements, and coordinated the preparation of the Commission Opinions on EU membership applications. She was also responsible for the Programming and implementation of EU financial assistance programmes (Pre-Accession Instrument, IPA). In March 2014 Ms Pampaloni moved to the European External Action Service as Head of Division for Pakistan, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and the Maldives, in the Asia and Pacific Department. She chaired Human Right Working Groups established by the respective Cooperation Agreements with Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Pakistan. She was EU chief negotiator for the EU-Afghanistan Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development signed by the Parties in 2017. On 1 January 2017 she was appointed Director/Deputy Managing Director in EEAS for the Asia and Pacific Department. In her previous capacity, she worked in Asia with the UN Development Programme in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (1989-1991) and in a private Law firm in Italy (1991-1993). Ms Pampaloni holds a University Degree in Law (University of Genoa) and a Master in International Relations (Florence).

Dr Theodore Papazoglou

Theodore Papazoglou is the Head of the Unit for the Support of the ERC Scientific Council. He graduated with honors from the Physics Department of the University of Crete in 1985 and followed his graduate studies at the University of Southern California (PhD in Biomedical Engineering). After his post-doctoral training at the Cedars Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, he worked at the Institute of Electronic Structure and Lasers, at FO.R.T.H in Greece. He lectured in parallel at the University. He was elected at a tenure-track position and received his tenure as Principal Investigator. He also served as technical manager of the European UV Laser Facility at FO.R.T.H. He has published over 70 articles in international peer-reviewed journals, two patents and three book-chapters. He has co-edited four books of proceedings of international conferences and had over 60 presentations in international conferences, including several invited scientific talks. His research work attracted over € 1.5 M in competitive funding. In 2001, he was seconded to the European Commission and worked as scientific officer. He was then recruited and worked in several posts, including as assistant to the Director General. He was involved in the establishment of the European Research Council (ERC) and subsequently supported the ERC Scientific Council.

Professor Richard Pomfret

Richard Pomfret has been Professor of Economics at the University of Adelaide since 1992 and Jean Monnet Chair on the Economics of European Integration since 2017. Before moving to Adelaide, he was Professor of Economics from 1979 to 1991 at the Johns Hopkins University in Washington, Bologna and Nanjing. He has acted as adviser to the Australian government and consultant to international organizations such as the World Bank, Asian Development Bank, the OECD and United Nations Development Programme. In 1993 he was seconded to the United Nations for a year, advising the Asian republics of the former Soviet Union on macroeconomic policy. His research interests centre on economic development and international economics. His recent books include *The Age of Equality: The twentieth century in economic perspective* (Harvard UP, 2011), *Regionalism in East Asia: Why has it flourished since 2000 and how far will it go?* (World Scientific, 2011), *Trade Facilitation: Defining, measuring, explaining and reducing the cost of international trade* (Edward Elgar, 2012 - co-authored with Patricia Sourdin) and *The Central Asian Economies in the Twenty-first Century: Paving a new silk road* (Princeton UP, 2019). He is currently working on *The Economics of European Integration* (to be published by Harvard UP).

Dr Evgeny Postnikov

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Ms Cindy Rose

Cindy Rose commenced at the Australian Mission to the EU and NATO and Australian Embassy to Belgium and Luxembourg in September 2018. In her role as Political Counsellor, she leads the Embassy's team with responsibility for Australia's bilateral relationship with the EU and cooperation on foreign policy and international security in relation to the EU, NATO, Belgium and Luxembourg. She joined the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in 2000 and completed postings to Singapore (2002-2005) and Washington DC (2009-2012). In Canberra, she has worked on Indo-Pacific issues including Australia's bilateral relationships with Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia and Fiji, Australia's cooperation with ASEAN and membership of the East Asia Summit, and on secondment to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet's 'Australia in the Asian Century White Paper' taskforce (2012-2013).

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Mr Daniel Waterschoot

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