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**UPDATE IN BRIEF**

**Third Annual Conference: \*\* Save the date\*\***

The final conference will take place on 6-7 June 2013 in Brussels.

**Workshop: ENP after Lisbon, March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2013, Rome**

The IAI Rome will organise a seminar on “The European Neighbourhood Policy after the Lisbon Treaty”. See page 3.

past achievements and future prospects and – not least – offer explanations for these observations. These challenges will be taken up in two further workshops, a number of guest lectures, the third issue of the “Lisbon Watch” annual report, and the third annual conference (6/7 June 2013).

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*‘Foreign Policy does not exist in a foreign universe’.* There was general agreement at a recent LISBOAN workshop organised by the Institut für Europäische Politik in Berlin that the EU has to stay in step with globalisation. However, the numerous contributions to the workshop panels identified a large number of issues and cleavages in year three after Lisbon. Ambitions seem to outweigh capabilities in both CFSP and CSDP just as in the past. The growing estrangement of the United Kingdom from continental Europe and particularly the eurozone in the aftermath of the financial turmoil presented just one example of the difficulties ahead.



On a more positive note, it was also argued that the EU should recall that ‘CFSP is not dead – it is working day by day’.  
 See page 2 for a report from the event.

**LISBOAN: The Third and Final Year**

The LISBOAN project is entering its final year. Over the coming twelve months, the project aims at consolidating the established structures. In substance, the ambition is to present an interim balance of the application of the Lisbon Treaty,

## NEWS FROM THE NETWORK

### Recent Workshops

#### Workshop work package 3: Economic and Financial Policy

##### *The European Union in the Global Economy*

The workshop, organized by Andras Inotai of the Institute of World Economics in Budapest dealt with the very topical issues of financial crisis in the EU. Moreover, it aimed to identify the strong and weak points of the EU in the rapidly changing global environment and to link them to economic security challenges. [A full report will be available shortly]

#### Workshop IMO Zagreb

##### *Impact of the European External Action Service on the EU's relations and policies towards South East Europe*

The workshop, which was also supported by the Hanns Seidel Foundation and the Croatian Ministry of Science, Education and Sports was organized on the 5th of October 2012 at the Inter-University Centre (IUC), Dubrovnik. It has



focused on the impacts of the EEAS towards the EU's engagement in the South-Eastern Europe (SEE), seen through the measures and instruments of the EU enlargement policy and EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP). The co-conveners of the workshop were Višnja Samardžija and Hrvoje Butković from the IMO in Zagreb. Professor Wolfgang Wessels coordinator of the LISBOAN project also participated at the workshop, while the keynote

speech was delivered by Jonas Jonsson, Head of the Western Balkans Division at the EEAS, Bruxelles.

The first panel was devoted to the EEAS and visibility of the EU foreign policy in the Western Balkans. The second panel dealt with the EEAS and its linkage with the Western Balkans' enlargement process while the third panel focused on the views from the region regarding the EEAS. The workshop gathered prominent researchers, experts and decision-makers from the EU and the SEE and has stirred debate between the academic networks and policymakers, upholding reflection about the impacts of the Lisbon Treaty-induced changes on the EU policies. [\[Click here for a full report\]](#)

#### Workshop work package 6: External Action and CFSP

##### *The EU as a Foreign Policy Actor - Ambitions, Interests and Challenges in Year Three of the Lisbon Treaty and beyond*

The workshop was organised by Mathias Jopp and Elfriede Regelsberger (Institut für Europäische Politik Berlin) and took place in Berlin on the premises of the Konrad-Adenauer Foundation on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

The workshop convened 55 academics and practitioners from all over Europe to discuss the development of the EU as a foreign policy actor since the coming into force of the Lisbon Treaty. Four panels dealt with all kinds of questions in the area of the CFSP and CSDP. Inter alia, the different panels discussed the presence or absence of the EU in world affairs, the role of its strategic partners and national preferences and leadership among the 27 member states in external affairs. Dr. Emily Haber, State Secretary in the Foreign Office, and Elmar Brok, MEP, delivered keynote speeches dealing with the external constraints in the relationship between national and EU-level foreign policy, and current challenges in regions such as the Middle East and Africa.

Ways to render the External Action Service more effective were also intensively discussed. There was agreement that the Lisbon rules provided ample room for practical improvements, but

needed to be used more stringently. [A full report will be available shortly]

### **Workshop work package 7: The EU after Lisbon Treaty: A quasi-constitutional framework to be revised?**

On 14-15 November 2012, the Centre for Interdepartmental Research Centre on European Law at the University of Bologna held a roundtable on “*The European Union and the crisis: Amending or just completing the Lisbon Treaty?*”, followed by an international conference “*The EU after Lisbon Treaty: A quasi-constitutional framework to be revised?*”. Two sessions dealt with highly relevant topics such as the division of competences between the EU and its Member States, comitology, and external relations from the point of view of law and political science.

[A full report will be available shortly]

### **Guest Lectures**

#### **Report: 6th Guest Lecture**

##### *Recent developments in the EU's area of Justice and Home Affairs*

The guest lecture by Ron Holzhaecker (University of Groningen) at the Institute for International Affairs in Vienna (OIIP) focused on recent changes in this highly dynamic policy area. [[more...](#)]

### **UPCOMING LISBOAN EVENTS**

#### **Third PhD school**

The third PhD school will be organised by Professor Thomas Christiansen and take place at the University of Maastricht during the second week of April 2013. More details will be available shortly.

#### **Workshop: ENP after Lisbon, March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2013, Rome**

The Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI) will organise a seminar on “The European Neighbourhood Policy after the Lisbon Treaty”, that will take place in Rome on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013. The seminar intends to explore issues such as the legal and political-institutional meaning

and impact of art. 8 TEU on the development of the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP). In addition, it will also address issues like the impact of the strengthening of the High Representative and the set up of the European External Action Service (EEAS) over the elaboration and implementation of ENP. Finally, the relationship between these provisions and the 2011 ENP revision will be analysed. Lisboan members interested in presenting a paper should send the abstract of their paper by January 15th. We will select a number of proposals. The authors will be then requested to send a draft paper (around five pages long) by March 15th. Their accommodation and travel expenses (airfare economy ticket plus local transports, up to a ceiling of 550 euro) will be borne by the organisers <http://www.lisboan.net/26654.html>

### **NEWS FROM PARTNER INSTITUTIONS**

#### **New Projects / Grants**

##### *PEGASUS - Ph.D - EU Graduate Students University Skills (2012 – 2015)*

Charles University Prague, the Institute for Advanced Studies Vienna, the Middle East Technical University Ankara, the Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA) Brussels and the University of Maastricht have successfully applied for an Erasmus Multilateral Project in the LLP programme “Modernisation agenda of higher education: Curricular reform”. The rationale of PEGASUS is to develop a genuinely integrated European joint Ph.D degree. It will pool the excellence in Ph.D training and scientific research of a consortium with a history of long-standing successful cooperation in centres of excellence in European teaching and research.

##### *EU GLOBAL*

The main aim of the project – funded under the FP7 People, Marie Curie Actions, International Research Staff Exchange Scheme – is to establish and strengthen long-term new research partnerships between European Research Area

(ERA) institutions and respected research institutions in the USA that are specifically working on European studies. Partners are the Middle East Technical University and the Yasar University (Turkey), the University of Cologne (Germany) as well as the University of Pittsburgh and the University of California Berkeley (USA).

*Study: “The Maritime Dimension of CSDP”*

The Finnish Institute for International Affairs (FIIA) in cooperation with the Swedish Institute of International Affairs (UI) and the Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA) is preparing an *ad hoc* study for the Sub-Committee on Security and Defence of the European Parliament. The study explores the emergence of maritime security challenges both in the EU’s geographic vicinity (e.g. the Arctic, Mediterranean, Baltic Sea and Black Sea) and along strategic sea routes (e.g. the Horn of Africa, Strait of Hormuz and South China Sea), as well as from disputes arising over the exploration and exploitation of the sea bed. The study draws lessons for the future development of the maritime dimensions of the EU’s common security and defence policy and for EU member states.

**Upcoming Conferences and Workshops**

The Babes-Bolyai University in Cluj, Romania hosts an International Conference on *Disintegration and Integration in East-Central Europe (1919-post-1989)* which will take place on February 21-23, 2013. [\[more...\]](#)



*EurotémiS* organised by several universities in Bordeaux on the 29th and 30th of november 2012 includes a series of conferences which aim at opening the dialogue between researchers, politicians, experts, students and citizens from the member states who participate in the elaboration of the European decision-making. The edition 2012, in particular is dedicated to the theme the Eurozone governance and democracy. How can the governance of the Eurozone be made more democratic?. [\[more...\]](#)

**Past events**

German-Nordic-Baltic Forum 2012: EU Responses to external challenges as seen from Germany, Poland, Nordic and Baltic countries and the EU neighbourhood, 27.9.-28.9.2012 (Helsinki, FIIA). [\[Link\]](#)

Policy Dialogue: Preparing for the mid-term review of the European External Action Service priorities, challenges and prospects for EU foreign policy at a time of crisis, 6.9.2012 at 10:00-12:00 (Brussels, EPC, FIIA). [\[Link\]](#)

Towards A Joint Future for Europe? How to move forward with the EU and the common currency? Keynote speaker: H.E. Prime Minister of the Italian Republic, Mr Mario Monti, 2.8.2012 (Helsinki, FIIA). [\[Link\]](#)

The Post Lisbon Agenda. Debate for students organised together with the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Bistrita-Nasaud County and the Europe Direct Network. The focus of this event, which included prominent representatives of academia, the business environment and the regional media, revolved around the legacy of the Lisbon Treaty and the way to the ambitious Europe 2020 Agenda, chiefly from a Romanian perspective, 22.10.2012 (Cluj, Babes-Bolyai University).

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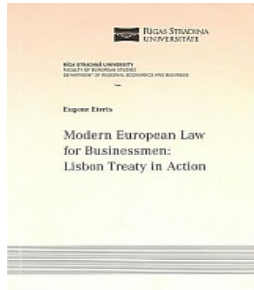
S. Brouard, O. Costa and T. König (eds), *The Europeanization of domestic legislatures. The empirical implications of the Delors' Myth in nine countries*, New York, Springer, 2012.

N. Brack and O. Costa (ed.), *Diverging Views of Europe: Euroscepticism within the EU Institutions*, London, Routledge, 2012.

F. Bindi and K. A. Eliassen (ed.), *Analyzing European Union Politics*, Rome, Il Mulino, 2012.

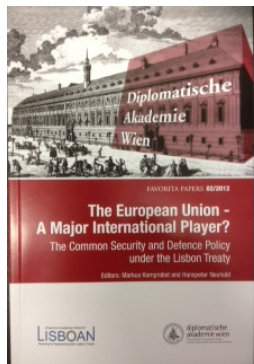


E. Eteris, *Modern European Law for Businessmen: Lisbon Treaty in Action*, Riga Stradins University, 2012.



‘The book intends to reveal the EU law in its practical implications for businessmen, managers and decision-makers providing practical background for doing business on a “common European ground”.’

M. Kornprobst and H. Neuhold (eds) “The European Union – A Major International Player?”, *Favorita Papers 02/2012*, Diplomatic Academy of Vienna.



The contributions to this issue build on a LISBOAN workshop held from 9 to 10 December 2011 in Vienna. Its aim is to trace if and how the EU has developed into an international actor in the area of Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP). *If you would like to receive a print copy,*

*please send an email to the LISBOAN project manager.*

T. Kunstein and W. Wessels, “What we hope, what we fear, what we expect: possible scenarios for the future of the eurozone”, *European View*, 2012, Volume 11, Number 1, p. 5-14.

K. Raik, “Estonia strives to be at the core of the EU: The decision to participate in the preparation of a financial transaction tax reflects a shift in Estonia’s EU policy”, *FIIA Comment 11* (2012). [\[Link\]](#)

A. G. Soares, “The Euro Crisis. What Went Wrong with the Single European Currency?”, *Beijing Law Review*, Vol. 3, n° 3, 2012. Available at [\[Link\]](#).

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T. Tamminen, “Towards efficient early action: The EU needs a regional focus and proactive tools to prevent and manage conflicts”, *FIIA Briefing Paper 113*. [\[Link\]](#)

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### FEATURED ARTICLE SECTION

This section is available for concise articles dealing with recent developments in the field of research on the Treaty of Lisbon. Partners are invited to send in contributions.