

AESI - STUDY SEMINARS 2019

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SEMINARS OF EUROPEAN STUDIES PREPARATORY TO THE
INTERNATIONAL AND COMMUNITY CAREERS

"TOWARDS A NEW EUROPE OF CHANGE: COOPERATION, SECURITY, DEVELOPMENT, SOLIDARITY"

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(Robert Schuman)



ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/2019

PROGRAM - draft

22 January 2019 – Refectory all Palace of San Macuto

Italian Parliament Via del Seminario, 76 – 4.00 pm

"ROOTS, IDENTITY, SOLIDARITY: THE BASIS FOR A TRUE EUROPEAN CHANGE"

Introduces: On. Giuseppe Azzaro – Scientific Committee AESI

Intervention: Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva - President AESI

Dott.ssa Beatrice Covassi - Head of the European Commission Representation in Italy

Dott.ssa Valeria Fiore – European Parliament - Director of the Information Office in

Italy **Moderator:** On. Alberto Micheli – Scientific Committee AESI

12 February 2019 Villa Madama MAECI 4.00 pm Via di Villa Madama, 250

"URGENT A REFORM OF INTERNAZIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: PROFESSIONALISM, SERVICE, PARTECIPATION, EFFICY"

Welcome: Cons. Gabriella Biondi - Director of Training Unit – DGRI - MAECI

Greeting: Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva – President AESI

Amb. Sebastiano Cardì – Director General for Political and Security Affairs MAECI

Amb. Adriano Benedetti - Vice President AESI

Prof. Massimo Panebianco – Professor of International Law, University of Salerno

Mons. Silvano Tomasi – Secretary General of the Congregation for Justice and Peace (Holy See)

Moderator: Dott.ssa Cinzia Vanzo – Director AESI

26 March 2019 CASD Salviati Palace - Piazza della Rovere, 83 ore 10.00 - 16.00
"ENSURE SECURITY IN BUILDING PEACE"



10.00 am Welcome: Gen. Massimiliano Del Casale - President CASD (Ministry of Defence)
Message of Gen. Enzo Vecciarelli - Chief of Staff (Ministry of Defence)

Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva - President AESI

10.30am I SESSION: "Geopolitics of the Crises: challenges and perspectives"

Moderator: Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva - President AESI

Amb. Riccardo Sessa - Scientific Committee AESI and Vice President SIOI

Gen. Vincenzo Camporini - Scientific Committee AESI and Vice President IAI

Gen. Vincenzo Coppola - Scientific Committee AESI and Force Commander "Civilian Planning and Conduct Capability" European Commission (Bruxelles)

11.15 am UNIFIL: Gen. Diodato Abagnara - Italian Commander Sector West UNIFIL (Lebanon)

12.00 am II SESSION: "Geopolitic and Security: analysis and training in crisis situations"

Prof. Stefano Silvestri - Director of IAI Magazine

Col. Gualtiero Iacono - Head Department of Humanitarian Law and Military Operations CASD

12.30 pm III SESSION: "AESI Experiences in the Balkans and the Middle East"

Amb. Gabriele Checchia - Scientific Committee AESI, former Ambassador in Lebanon and NATO

Gen. Franco Federici - Scientific Committee AESI - Head of III Department SME, former Commander of Italian Contingent UNIFIL Lebanon

Amb. Francesco Trupiano - Scientific Committee AESI, former Ambassador in Libya and Athens

Moderator: Gen. Antonio Catena - Vice President AESI

2.45 pm IV SESSION: Video: <https://youtu.be/9Me4K3Hx8Bg>

University Cooperation for Peace in the Middle East

3.15 pm UNTSO: Gen. Kristin Lund - Force Commander UNTSO (Jerusalem)

Discussion with AESI Students

Moderator: Dr. Giulia Perugini and Dr. Giulia Covalea - Direction AESI

23 April 2019 Hall of Flags - European Parliament - Via Quattro Novembre, 149 4.00 pm
"PROMOTING A COMMON ECONOMIC POLITICS FOR A SOLID DEVELOPMENT"

Greeting: Dott. Fabrizio Spada - European Parliament Information Office in Italy

Dott.ssa Beatrice Covassi - Head of the European Commission Representation in Italy

Intervention: Amb. Gianfranco Varvesi - Scientific Committee AESI - Dott.ssa Paola Sartorio -

Executive Director U.S. Italy Fulbright Commission, Prof. Antonio Macchia - General Secretary AESI

- Cons. Antonia Carparelli - Economic Councilor Representation of the European Commission in Italy - Prof. Giovanni Castellani - AESI Presidency - Moderator: Dott. Marco Gregori - Direction AESI

28 May 2019 Villa Madama MAECI 4.00 pm - Via di Villa Madama, 250
"DEMOCRACY AND EUROPEAN CITIZENSHIP: IN THE CENTER THE DIGNITY OF THE PERSON"

Greeting: Cons. Gabriella Biondi - Director of Training Unit – DGRI - MAECI

Intervention: Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva – President AESI - **Amb. Adriano Benedetti** – Vice President AESI - **Dott. Lucio Battistotti** – Scientific Committee AESI -Former Head of the European Commission Representation in Italy - **Prof. Ugo Villani** – Scientific Committee AESI - Professor Emeritus of International Law - **Amb. Daniele Mancini** – Scientific Committee AESI - **Amb. Alessandro Cortese** - Head of the MAECI Press Office - **Cons. Francesco Gilioli** – Senate of the

25 June 2019 - Italian Embassy to the Holy See , Viale delle Belle Arti, 2
"FOR A NEW EUROPEAN FOREIGN POLICY OF JUSTICE AND PEACE"
Republic - **Moderator: Dott.ssa Giulia Covalea** - Direction AESI



Italian Embassy to the Holy See



Representation in Italy

**"THE VISION OF YOUTH ON THE
ROOTS OF THE CRISIS IN THE
MIDDLE EAST"**

25 – 26 JUNE 2019 ROME

One of the basic challenges of the 21st Century is assuring international peace and fostering development, in the light of the new World balance. Today, there are problems that can only be solved by action at the global level. New strategic thinking is required to approach global issues and advance "global public goods". Consequently, international communities must become protagonists of a new strategy to intervene in crisis areas and to promote peace, human rights and development with a strategy based on realistic and effective foreign common policy. Such a strategy must include the collaborative efforts of diplomatic, economic and peace forces actions, while being rooted in the common goal of development of a strong cooperation culture of solidarity capable of understanding local needs and providing quick and efficient solutions that are at once professional and respectful of human dignity.

PROGRAMME

25 June 2019 Borromeo Palace Italian Embassy to the Holy See - Ministry of Foreign Affairs and IC

12.30-1.00 pm Welcoming of **Amb. Pietro Sebastiani** - Italian Ambassador to the Holy See

Greetings: President AESI and Head of the European Commission in Italy

2.30/3.30 pm SESSION: JERUSALEM

Chaired by: **Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva** President AESI (Italy)

Prof. Munther Dajani - Professor of Political Sciences (Palestine) **Prof.**

Oron Shagrir – Vice President of the Hebrew University (Israel)

Discussion with the Students

3.30-4.30 pm AESI SEMINAR "For a new European Foreign Policy of Justice and Peace" **Interventions:**
Amb. Pietro Sebastiani - Italian Ambassador to the Holy See, **Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva** – President AESI, **Card. Robert Sarah** - Holy See - **Amb. Jan Tombinski** EU Ambassador to the Holy See, Sovereign Order of Malta, UN Agencies in Rome, Republic of San Marino, **Gen. Chris Whitecross** Commandant, NATO Defense College, **Amb. Giorgio Marrapodi** - Director General for Development Cooperation, **Amb. Raimondo De Cardona** - Advisor to the Minister of Education **Moderation: On. Alberto Micheli** - Presidency AESI

4.30-5.00 pm Discussion with the Students

26 June 2019 MEETING WITH POPE FRANCIS VATICAN (by invitation)

9 July 2019 Villa Madama - Ministry of Foreign Affairs - CEREMONY ATTESTED



Permanent Mission of Italy
to United Nations in Geneva



FORUM OF GEOPOLITICS - Draft (by invitation)

5 February: "EU Elections and new challenges" - 9 April: "Russian Federation and EU" 14
May: Quirinale Palace - 18 June 2019 Visit of NATO HQ Naples



INTERNATIONAL FORUM (by invitation): 2020

Geneva: Italian Representation at the United Nations - EU Forum
Jerusalem: University Cooperation for peace in the Middle East
Sarajevo - Belgrade: Rectorate, Embassy of Italy, Forces of Peace





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AESI is a cultural association that has as its main target the promotion of human rights in politics and international cooperation. AESI wants to develop in particular, with its activities, a real culture of cooperation among populations and Nations, respecting human being's dignity and identity. AESI wants to contribute to the training of those young students who are preparing themselves for a diplomatic career or a career in the European or International Institutions. More than 3000 students and young graduates have already taken part in the Seminars organised together with the Diplomatic Studies Club, the Centre for Advanced Defence Studies, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the European Commission and the European Parliament Information Office in Italy. AESI has also organized many International FORUMS in the Balkan Area (at the University of Sarajevo with EUFOR), in the Middle East (at USEK and Lebanese Universities in Lebanon with UNIFIL, with Israel and Palestinian Universities at UNTSO, at the Universities in Cyprus with UNFICYP), at the NATO Headquarters in Brussels, at the European Parliament, at the Italian Permanent Representation to the European Commission, at OCED in Paris and at UNOG in Geneva in 2015. Many of AESI students have already started a diplomatic career, or are working in the relevant offices of International Organizations. Among the speakers of AESI's events, there are more than 100 Ambassadors, representatives of the United Nations, the European Commission, the European Parliament, Generals and University Professors who have contributed with their fieldwork and with their knowledge and experience. The Association is a non profit organisation and is totally independent from a political point of view.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE MEETINGS - THESIS AND FORUM AESI BRUXELLES



AESI SEMINARS 2017 VIDEO : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2cfEzFFI6ig>



AMBASSADOR DANIELE MANCINI - AESI SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE



“Knowing the past is central to build a future of global peace and solidarity. Training new students today is the key to prevent yesterday’s mistakes by the leaders of tomorrow. Our commitment towards young generations is to provide them all the valuable teachings they need to understand the international complexity. A multidisciplinary education is necessary to develop their thinking in a way which allows them to be fully aware of the connected world around us, hoping they will be able to make it a better place to live in.”

Ambassador Daniele Mancini

Former Ambassador of Italy to The Holy See - AESI Scientific Committee

AMBASSADOR GABRIELE CHECCHIA - AESI SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE



“AESI: Through young generations' enthusiasm, commitment and dedication, we build a better future for Europe and beyond, based on few solid pillars: self-respect and respect for the others, shared values, personal engagement in life and society, faith in the potential of culture, dialogue and reciprocal knowledge. We believe that All of them, are irreplaceable tools to nurture real peace, long lasting friendship and understanding between countries and nations.”

Ambassador Gabriele Checchia

Former Permanent Representative of Italy to the International Organisations - Paris AESI Scientific Committee

GEN. VINCENZO CAMPORINI - AESI SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE



Educating the new generations to understand the past in order to prepare the future is the only strategy which can prevent the repetition of mistakes which have plagued the history of mankind. Those who engage in such a task deserve the highest consideration and the young man and women who take this opportunity to grow provide us with the hope that tomorrow will be better than today. AESI is strongly engaged in such an effort and I will continue, within means and capabilities, to offer my external contribution, for the benefit of all.

Gen. Vincenzo Camporini - Vice President

IAI AESI Scientific Committee

PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT



FORMER PRESIDENT OF EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT WITH PRESIDENT AND DELEGATION ASEI AND THE RECTORS OF HEBREW AND AL QUDS UNIVERSITIES IN JERUSALEM

**Palazzo San Macuto - Italian Parliament June 24, 2008
YOUTH FORUM OF EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY
STUDENTS**

"So dear friends, I want to encourage you to work for peace, to work for solidarity and for the spirit I have felt in this room which is, I think, very inspiring. I'm speaking now to the students: I wish you good decisions in your personal and political lives since perhaps there are some people here who might one day be members of the European Parliament or of national parliaments. The 21st Century is your century, but if it has to be a good century, based on peace and solidarity, you cannot just wait that others will give to you; you have to work for it, you have to be engaged. I'm very happy to have been here with you this evening even though it has been for such a short time."

Former President - Hans Pöttering - European Parliament

DIRECTOR GENERAL UNOG - GENEVA



AESI FORUM June 15, 2015

"Welcome to the Palace of Nations. It is always a pleasure to interact with young people. In particular with young people who are active in International Affairs studies. An innovative way of thinking is needed to maximize the benefits of existing systems and to tackle global challenges, here in Geneva and elsewhere. I therefore believe that You, who represent the next generation of thinkers and leaders of international business, You will be very busy. We look forward to seeing you at work! Good luck! "

Director General

Michael Møller - UNOG - Palace of Nations Geneva

WITH THE PRESIDENT OF EUROPEAN COMMISSION - PALAZZO VECCHIO FLORENCE



<https://www.eui.eu/events/detail?eventid=140862>



AESI FORUM - ST. PETERSBURG - MOSCOW 2017 and ST. PETERSBURG 2018



Delegation of the European Union to Russia



Apostolic Nunciature in Russian Federation

“EUROPEAN UNION AND RUSSIAN FEDERATION UNIVERSITY COOPERATION FOR PEACE AND SOLIDARITY”



AESI FORUM - UN NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON 2017 and 2018



Permanent Mission of Italy
to United Nations in New York



UNITED NATIONS



European Association of International Studies



Italian Embassy in Washington



Apostolic Nunciature
in United States

"THE VISION OF YOUTH ON THE ROOTS OF THE CRISIS"



POPE FRANCIS GENERAL AUDIENCE IN ST. PETER SQUARE – VATICAN ROME



AESI MEETING 2017

HEADS OF MISSIONS - UNITED NATIONS AND EU MILITARY PEACE FORCES



GEN CLAUDIO GRAZIANO AND GEN PAOLO SERRA - UNIFIL LEBANON



AMBASSADOR LISA M. BUTTENHEIM - UNFICYP CYPRUS



GEN. MICHAEL FINN - UNTSO JERUSALEM



GEN. STEFANO CASTAGNOTTO - COMMANDER EUFOR - SARAJEVO

**VADM. JAMES FOGGO, COMMANDER US SIXTH FLEET 2016
AESI MEETING AT PENTAGON WDC 2017
AESI MEETING IN NATO HQ SOUTH EUROPE 2018**



AESI SEMINAR March 15, 2016

"PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AND IN EASTERN EUROPE"

"To me, there is no more important topic than the one you have chosen today, and, in the past year or so, as I have carried out my responsibilities with the U.S. Sixth Fleet – as well as with Naval Striking and Support Forces NATO and Joint Force Maritime Component Commander Europe – the professionalism and commitment of the leaders and members of the Italian armed forces have earned my gratitude and my admiration. Thank you also for being such gracious hosts to the U.S. Navy in Naples." **VAdm. James Foggo – Former Commander of the U.S. SIXTH Fleet – Naval Striking and Support Forces NATO**

THE PENTAGON WASHINGTON - VAdm. James Foggo - Director Staff Navy

**4 June 2018 - Allied Joint Force Command (JFC) - Naples
EUROPEAN UNION AND NATO: SECURITY AND PEACE IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA**

<https://jfcnaples.nato.int/newsroom/news/2018/jfc-naples-commander-welcomes-the-european-association-of-international-studies-aesi>





ROBERT SCHUMAN



CON JEAN MONNET

"Europe will not be made all at once, or according to a single plan. It will be built through concrete achievements which first create a de facto solidarity."

"Democracy owes its origin and development to Christianity. It was born when man was called to realize the dignity of the person in individual freedom, respect for the rights of others and the love of neighbor. Before Christian message these principles had not been formulated, nor they ever became the spiritual basis of an authority system." (Robert Schuman)



KONRAD ADENAUER

"We Europeans must exercise together also foreign policy, only this purpose can really help us." (Konrad Adenauer)

"In the long term the future of the West is not so much threatened by a political tension as from the danger of standardization, uniformity of thought and feeling; in short, from all over the life system, the escape from responsibility, with the only self-concern. This risk can really become fatal for the cultural progress" (Konrad Adenauer)



ALCIDE DE GASPERI

"At the origin of this European civilization is Christianity. I do not mean introducing any sectarian or exclusive policy, in appreciation of our history. I just want to talk about a common European legacy, of that unitary moral which enhances the person and the responsibility of the human being " (Alcide De Gasperi)



ALTIERO SPINELLI

"The task of achieving European unity is not entitled to an indeterminable generation of an indeterminable future, but it was up to our generation." (Altiero Spinelli)