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### EUROPEAN STUDIES SEMINARS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL AND EU CAREERS

## “ROOTS AND IDENTITY OF THE EUROPEAN UNION: TOWARDS A NEW SOLID CITIZENSHIP”

“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”  
(Robert Schuman)



“AESI is convinced that the political future of the European Union has only one human, social and political dimension: solidarity! That is why every young European citizen must feel responsible in promoting a true culture of solidarity for the human being and the common good.

AESI is committed to this project and addresses its message to new generations by asking them to promote a new Europe from its roots and to preserve its identity. Being a European citizen means participating in a common project that engages us all personally and requires a strong human and professional motivation without which we will not be able to achieve concrete results in everyday life.

AESI strives for politics to find its deep anthropological dimension among young people and to serve the common good and truth. Being a European is a challenge we can not give up.”

*(Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva - President of AESI)*



## PROGRAMME

**January 24, 2018 - REFETTORIO HALL – SAN MACUTO PALACE – 4 p.m.**

**ITALIAN PARLIAMENT**

***“ROOTS AND IDENTITY OF THE EUROPEAN UNION  
FOR A NEW SOLID CITIZENSHIP”***

**Welcome greetings: Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva – President of AESI**

**Introduction: On. Giuseppe Azzaro – AESI Scientific Committee**

**Speeches: Dott.ssa Beatrice Covassi–Director of the European Commission Representation in Italy**

**Dott. Gian Paolo Meneghini – Director of the European Parliament’s Office in Italy**

**Moderates: On. Alberto Michellini – AESI Scientific Committee**

**February 13, 2018–VILLA MADAMA–CASALE-MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS 4.00 p.m.**

***“GEOPOLITICS AND DIPLOMACY IN THE CRISIS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN”***

**Welcome greetings: Cons.Amb. Gabriella Biondi - DGRI MAECI Training Unit Director**

**Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva President of AESI**

**Introduction: Amb. Francesco Trupiano – AESI Scientific Committee**

**Speeches: Amb. Sandro De Bernardin – MAECI General Director of Political Affairs and Security**

**Gen. C.A. Vincenzo Coppola – Carabinieri Deputy Commander and Scientific Committee**

**AESI Prof. Massimo Panebianco – Professor of International Law - University of Salerno**

**AESI Scientific Committee - Dott. Roberto Santaniello – Special Adviser DG COMM Media and Communication – European Commission Representation in Italy**

**Moderates: Dott. Michele Pavan – Member of AESI management**

**March 20, 2018 – CASD SALVIATI PALACE 10 a.m. / 4 p.m. - MINISTRY OF DEFENCE**

***“PEACE AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY: THE NEW PEACEKEEPING”***

**Welcome: Gen. C.A. Massimiliano Del Casale – President of CASD**

**Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva – President of AESI**

**Introduction: Gen. Antonio Catena Vice-President of AESI**

**Speeches: Gen. Vincenzo Camporini – Vice-President of IAI and AESI Scientific Committee**

**Prof. Stefano Silvestri – Director of IAI Magazine, Amb. Gabriele Checchia – AESI Scientific Committee and Ambassador of Italy to Lebanon and NATO, Amb. Francesco Maria Talò – Ambassador of Italy to Israel**

**Moderates: Dott.ssa Camilla Frezza – Member of AESI management**

**April 17, 2018 - SPAZIO EUROPA Via Quattro Novembre 149 – 4 p.m.**

**EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

***“THE EUROPEAN UNION FOR A REAL ECONOMIC SOLIDARITY”***

**Speeches: Amb. Gianfranco Varvesi – AESI Scientific Committee**

**Dott. Lucio Battistotti - AESI Scientific Committee and Director of the European Commission Representation in Italy**

**Cons. Antonia Carparelli – Economic Advisor to the European Commission Representation - Italy**

**Prof. Antonio Macchia – AESI General Secretary**

**Amb. Vincenzo Petrone President of ASSONAVE  
(Associazione Nazionale Industria Navalmecanica)**

**Prof. Giovanni Castellani – Scientific Committee and AESI Chairman of the board**

**Moderates: Dott. Tomasz Koguc Deputy Secretary of AESI**

**May 15, 2018 VILLA MADAMA – CASALE – MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS 4.00 p.m.**  
***“DEMOCRACY, CITIZENSHIP AND HUMAN RIGHTS”***

**Welcome greetings: Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva** President of AESI

**Speeches: Amb. Adriano Benedetti** – Vice-President of AESI

**Dott. Vito Borelli** – Deputy Director of the European Commission Representation in Italy

**Amb. Daniele Mancini** – AESI Scientific Committee

**Prof. Luigi Moccia** – President of the Altiero Spinelli European Centre– University of Roma Tre

**Moderates: Dott.ssa Giulia Perugini** – AESI Management staff

**June 12, 2018 – BORROMEO PALACE Italian Embassy to the Holy See - 5.00 p.m.**  
***“JUSTICE AND PEACE, PRIMARY OBJECTIVES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION”***

**Amb. Pietro Sebastiani** – Ambassador of Italy to the Holy See MAECI

**S.E. Mons. Silvano Tomasi** – Secretary of Justice and Peace Congregation (Holy See)

**Amb. Jan Tombinski** – Head of the European Union Delegation to the Holy See, Order of Malta,  
United Nations Organizations in Rome and in the Republic of San Marino

**Moderates: Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva** – President of AESI

**July 3, 2018 VILLA MADAMA - CASALE 4.00 p.m. – MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

**FINAL THESIS: Coordinates Prof. Antonio Macchia** – General Secretary of AESI

**Moderates: Dott.ssa Federica Parisi** - Member of AESI management

**CERTIFICATES DELIVERY CEREMONY**

**INTERNATIONAL FORUMS: (invitation required)**



*Permanent Representation of Italy  
to the United Nations in New York*



**APRIL 9/10, 2018**

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*European Association of International Studies*



*Italian Embassy in Washington*

**APRIL 11/13, 2018**

**AESI**

*European Association of International Studies*



**MAY 10/13, 2018**

**AESI**

*European Association of International Studies*



*Permanent Representation of Italy  
to European Union - Bruxelles*



**JUNE 6/7 2018**

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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 no profit organisation and is totally independent from a political point of view.

#### SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE MEETINGS - THESIS AND FORUM AESI BRUXELLES



#### 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 AND MOSCOW October 3/6, 2017



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 April 3/8, 2017



Permanent Mission of Italy  
to United Nations in New York



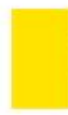
UNITED NATIONS



European Association of International Studies



Italian Embassy in Washington



Apostolic Nunciature  
in United States

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





**SAN MACUTO PALACE - January 24, 2017 – Opening of Seminars**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eYelWwYs1hg>

**CIRCOLO AFFARI ESTERI – February 7, 2017**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ttZ833RvgLQ>

**CASALE OF VILLA MADAMA – MAECI – February 14, 2017**

[https://youtu.be/ KBpPbgB-os](https://youtu.be/KBpPbgB-os)

**SALVIATI PALACE – CASD – STATO MAGGIORE DIFESA – March 14, 2017**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z7ScIfgQWA8&feature=youtu.be>

**SPAZIO EUROPA - April 16, 2017**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R1mEnNh5E04&feature=youtu.be>

**ITALIAN EMBASSY TO THE HOLY SEE - May 9, 2017**

[https://youtu.be/ S2QoDzWmt0](https://youtu.be/S2QoDzWmt0)

**CASALE OF VILLA MADAMA – MAECI – June 27, 2017 CERTIFICATES DELIVERY CEREMONY**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2cfEzFFI6ig>

**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 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



**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)*