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on a key institution**

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Draft programme

Monday | 16 January 2016

11:00-11:45	Registration
11:45-12:30	Lunch
12:30-13:45	<p>Welcome Eckart Stratenschulte (Europäische Akademie Berlin) Wolfgang Wessels (University of Cologne) Keynote Jim Cloos (General Secretariat of the Council of the EU)</p>
14:00-15:30	<p>Session 1 The European Council and the future of the EU Andrew Duff (European Policy Centre, Brussels): The reform of the European Council at the next revision of the Treaty of Lisbon. John Erik Fossum (ARENA, Oslo): The European Council and the EU's crises: A driver of core consolidation, a means of muddling through, or an instigator of fragmentation in Europe? Uwe Puetter (Central European University, Budapest) Peter-Christian Müller-Graff (Heidelberg University) <i>Rapporteur:</i> Aline Bartenstein (University of Cologne)</p>
15:30-16:00	Coffee
16:00-17:30	<p>Session 2 Teaching the European Council: Approaches and tools Miriam Vogel (Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung) Susana Muñoz (CVCE, Luxembourg): Narrating the European Council: an innovative digital publication. Jürgen Mittag (German Sport University Cologne): Below the line? The use of cartoons in teaching the European Council. Lenka Curillova (University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Trnava): Student simulations of the European Council. <i>Rapporteur:</i> Carsten Gerards (European Online Academy, Cife)</p>
17:30-17:45	Coffee
17:45-18:45	<p>Session 3 A practitioners' perspective: The role of the European Council for national decision-makers Klemens H. Fischer (Minister plenipotentiary and Head of Department at the Permanent Representation of Austria to the European Union) Thomas Westphal (Bundesfinanzministerium, Abteilungsleiter Europapolitik)</p>
afterwards	Dinner

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8:00-9:00	Breakfast
9:00-10:30	<p>Session 4</p> <p>The European Council in times of crises</p> <p>Ebru Turhan (Turkish-German University): The European Council as a crisis manager: Assessing the performance of the European Council in the management of the refugee crisis.</p> <p>Petya Alexandrova (IPW, Leibniz University Hannover): Responsiveness of the European Council to the EU public.</p> <p>Yann-Sven Rittelmeyer (European Policy Institute, Brussels): The European Council's institutional flexibility after the Lisbon treaty.</p> <p>Julie Smith (University of Cambridge): The European Council and Brexit.</p> <p><i>Discussant:</i></p> <p>Ralf Drachenberg (EP Parliamentary Research Services)</p> <p><i>Rapporteur:</i></p> <p>Alina Thieme (University of Cologne)</p>
10:30-11:00	Coffee
11:00-12:30	<p>Session 5</p> <p>The European Council: Centre of the institutional architecture?</p> <p>David Schäfer (LSE): The limits of a key institution: Is there life outside the European Council?</p> <p>Daniela Kroll (University of Konstanz): The role of the European Council in the legislative process.</p> <p>Sergio Fabbrini (LUISS, Rome): The European Council and the executive deficit of the EU.</p> <p>Christophe Hillon (Universities of Leiden, Gothenburg & Oslo): The European Council - a legal analysis.</p> <p><i>Chair:</i></p> <p>Christine Neuhold (Maastricht University)</p>
12:30-13:30	Lunch
13:30-15:00	<p>Session 5</p> <p>Conclusion</p>
15:00	Farewell coffee

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