CFIS 2025 ACADEMIC WORKSHOP

An Interdisciplinary Scholarly Workshop on Economic Security

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Organised by the CELIS Institute and Law & Geoeconomics

Conceptualizing Economic Security: a Multidisciplinary and Comparative Debate

Conveners:

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About the CELIS Institute

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Academic Workshop

Location: Room Denkfabrik, Haus der Deutschen Wirtschaft

09.00 – 09.30 CET **Arrival and registration**

09.30 – 11.00 CET **Economic security perspective across the world**

Moderator: Steffen Hindelang

- *[9.30-10.15] Critical Minerals and Economic Security in Latin America: Brazil, Chile, and Argentina in Comparative Perspective*
  Presenter: Natália de Lima Figueiredo
  Discussant: Cordelia Buchanan Ponczek

- *[10.15-11.00] Facing geoeconomic threats: an initial assessment of the European Union's economic security strategy*
  Presenter: Valentine Salmon
  Discussant: Philip A Luck

11.00 – 11.30 CET **Coffee break**

11.30 – 13.00 CET **Refining frameworks and conceptualisations on economic security**

Moderator: Sarah Bauerle Danzman

- *[11.30-12.15] Hybrid Domains: Why Economic Security Demands New Policy Frameworks*
  Presenter: Philip A Luck
  Discussant: Mikael Wigell

- *[12.15-13.00] Supply Chain Resilience in EU Economic Law: Emergence, Convergence, and Divergence across Investment Screening, Export Control and Merger Control*
  Presenter: Jochem de Kok
  Discussant: Natália de Lima Figueiredo

13.00 – 14.00 CET **Lunch break**

14.00 – 16.15 CET **Unpacking key players**

Moderator: Mikael Wigell

- *[14.00-14.45] Geopolitics or Economics? Business Lobbying Amid Security Concerns*
  Presenter: Denis Anwar
  Discussant: Sarah Bauerle Danzman

- *[14.45-15.30] The administrative side of economic security. Screening mechanisms as a policy design and implementation problem.*
  Presenter: Marco Di Giulio
  Discussant: Jochem de Kok

- *[15.30-16.00] Conceptualising Economic Security – Recap and discussion*

CFIS 25 Forum Opening

Location: Mendelssohn Foyer und Saal, Haus der Deutschen Wirtschaft

16.00 – 17.00 CET **REGISTRATION AND OPENING RECEPTION**

17.00 – 17.15 CET **CONVENERS' WELCOME REMARKS**

17.15 – 17.45 CET **OPENING KEYNOTE**

17.45 – 18.45 CET **PANEL 1: AT THE HELM – THE BUSINESS-FIRESIDE CHAT**

Building Trust Between Government and Business During Times of Geopolitical Shifts

- What is the role for businesses when it comes to economic security objectives?
- What management structures better allow firms to internalize economic security thinking and address geopolitical risk?
- The costs of security – innovation, competitiveness, competition, profit – how to find a meaningful balance?

18.45 - 19.15 CET **TRANSPORTATION TO DINNER LOCATION**

(Departure from BDI, Haus der Deutschen Wirtschaft).

19.30 CET **DINNER WITH DINNER SPEECH**

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