

Programme (English)

International conference

The Western Balkans at the crossroads of European integration and emerging powers

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Thursday, March 28, 2019, Salle du Conseil, Quartier Agora, Place des Orateurs 3, B31,
ULiège, Belgium

Attendance is free, but registration is necessary: Liridon.Lika@uliege.be

8:30-8:50: Welcoming participants

8:50-9:00: Welcome speech and presentation of the event

Pr. Sebastian Santander, Head of the Political Science Department and Director of the
CEFIR, ULiège
Liridon Lika, CEFIR, ULiège

9:00-10:20: Panel 1

Presidency

Sebastian Santander, CEFIR, ULiège

Speakers (15 minutes per speaker)

Liridon Lika, CEFIR, ULiège

Les Balkans occidentaux entre l'intégration à l'Union européenne et l'influence des puissances émergentes

Bashkim Iseni, Friborg University, Switzerland

L'influence des émergents dans les métamorphoses religieuses, sociopolitiques et des médias dans les Balkans occidentaux

Kamal Bayramzadeh, University Paris XIII and Liège University, France and Belgium

La lutte d'influence entre l'Arabie Saoudite et la Turquie dans les Balkans occidentaux : un défi pour l'Union européenne ?

Debate (30 minutes)

10:20-10:40: Coffee break

10:40-12:00: Panel 2

Presidency

Jean-Christophe Defraigne, University UCLouvain Saint-Louis – Bruxelles, Belgium

Speakers (15 minutes per speaker)

Afrim Krasniqi, Academy of Albanological Studies/Albanian Institute for Political Studies, Albania

The (im)possible EU enlargement in the Western Balkans

Vjosa Musliu, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), Belgium

The Berlin Process for the Western Balkans. What is in a name?

Arlind Puka, Former Administrative Assistant at the European Parliamentary Financial Services Forum and actually Associate for ExxonMobil Multinational Oil and Gas

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Corporation

Russian influence in the Western Balkans and the EU enlargement myth
Debate (30 minutes)

12:00-13:20: Lunch

13:20-14:50: Panel 3

Presidency

Liridon Lika, CEFIR, ULiège

Speakers (15 minutes per speaker)

Anton Vukpalaj, University of Prishtina, Kosovo

Normalisation des relations Kosovo-Serbie par ou sans une modification des frontières : convergence ou divergence des grandes puissances ?

Dorina Bërdufi, Albanian Institute for Political Studies, Albania

Role of Political Actors in the EU Integration Process (cases of Kosovo, Macedonia and Albania)

Xhabir Hamiti, University of Prishtina, Kosovo

The struggle of foreign actors for religious domination during the post-Cold War period in the Western Balkans

Debate (30 minutes)

14:50-15:10: Coffee break

15:10-16:40: Panel 4

Presidency

Anton Vukpalaj, University of Prishtina, Kosovo

Speakers (15 minutes per speaker)

Ardijan Sainovic, Centre Emile Durkheim, Sciences Po Bordeaux – CNRS, France

L'Union européenne inégalée dans les Balkans occidentaux : ordre régional, hégémonie et puissances émergentes

Jean-Christophe Defraigne, University UCLouvain Saint-Louis – Bruxelles, Belgium

La connectivité dans les Balkans occidentaux. Chine et Union européenne : concurrence ou complémentarité ?

Antoine Delens, Bernheim attaché within the Belgian Permanent Representation to the European Union

La nouvelle stratégie de l'Union européenne dans les Balkans occidentaux : une asymétrie d'approches entre les différentes institutions européennes

Debate (30 minutes)

16:40-16:45

Closing speech

Liridon Lika, CEFIR, ULiège



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