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News

EuroMeSCo General Assembly and Annual Conference 2017

The EuroMeSCo General Assembly and Annual Conference will take place on 31 May and 1-2 June in Barcelona. The Annual Conference "Confronting Violent Extremism in the Euro-Mediterranean" will gather senior policymakers and researchers to discuss violent extremism in the Euro-Mediterranean, its manifestations, drivers, impact and how it can be curbed.



A Euro-Mediterranean Network of Political and Security Studies

Ideas for action on security and political affairs

Algeria
INESG - Institut national d'études de stratégie globale

Austria
OIIP - Austrian Institute for International Affairs

Belgium
Carnegie Europe
CEPS - Centre for European Policy Studies
EGMONT - The Royal Institute for International Relations

EPC - European Policy Centre
Europees Institut
GERMAC - Groupe d'études et de recherches sur le Monde Arabe contemporain
GMF - German Marshall Fund
MEDEA - European Institute for Research on

Call for Papers for EuroMeSCo Annual Conference 2017

The objective of this call is to select the paper proposals to be presented at the parallel thematic sessions of the EuroMeSCo Annual Conference 2017 "Confronting Violent Extremism in the Euro-Mediterranean". The Conference will be held on 1-2 June in Barcelona.

Proposals should be related to one of the following broad topics:

- THE GEOPOLITICS OF VIOLENT EXTREMISM
- POPULISM, AUTHORITARIANISM AND VIOLENT EXTREMISM
- PREVENTING, COUNTERING AND DE-RADICALISING

DEADLINE TO RESPOND TO THIS CALL: 17 April

[Further information on the Call](#)

[Paper submission form](#)

Call for Participants for I EuroMeSCo Youth Forum

The EuroMeSCo Youth Forum "Youth to Youth: How to tackle radicalization of young people?", organised in the framework of the Annual Conference, aspires to build and empower a community of young researchers in Euro-Mediterranean affairs. Its aim is to involve young researchers in debates on political and social developments in the Euro-Mediterranean area and to foster exchanges with policy and decision makers.

Selected researchers from the EuroMeSCo network will be invited to:

- Participate and intervene actively in the I EuroMeSCo Youth Forum to be held on 31 May in the morning
- Take part in the EuroMeSCo Annual Conference "Confronting Violent Extremism in the Euro-Mediterranean", to be held on 1-2 June, gathering over 120 stakeholders, including researchers, academics, national and regional policy makers

DEADLINE TO RESPOND TO THIS CALL: 24 April

[Further information on the Call](#)
[Application Form](#)

Support for mobility among researchers of EuroMeSCo members

In January 2017 the IEMed and EuroMeSCo have launched a new program "Support for mobility among researchers of EuroMeSCo members" whose objective is to promote the mobility of researchers affiliated to the member institutes of the network. The program is funded from IEMed's own funds. Following the first call for proposals submitted under this programme, it was decided that mobility of researchers would be supported in the framework of the following events:

- Security Sector Reform in the Southern Neighborhood, to be held in Brussels on 19 May, organized by European Union Institute for Security Studies
- La Méditerranée face à la raréfaction des ressources en eau, to be held on 23-25 May in Tunis, organized by Centre d'études méditerranéennes et internationales
- The Trump Administration and the Mediterranean: What to Expect, What to Advise, to be held in Genoa on 5-7 June, organised by German Marshall Fund
- From Democratic Transition to Democracy Learning: Towards a Paradigmatic Turn in Democratization Studies, to be held in Rabat on 28-30 September, organized by Centre for Studies and Research in Social Sciences

EuroMeSCo Local Presentations

Euro-Arab Cooperation
TEPSA - Trans-European Policy Studies Association

Cyprus
KYKEM - Cyprus Research Centre

Croatia
EMEF - Euro-Mediterranean Forum

Czech Republic
IIR - Institute of International Relations Prague
EUROPEUM - Institute for European Policy

Denmark
DIIS - Danish Institute for International Studies

Egypt
ACPSS - Al-Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies
AFA - Arab Forum for Alternatives
ECFA - Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs
Partners in Development

Estonia
EVI - Estonian Foreign Policy Institute

Finland
FIIA- Finnish Institute of International Affairs
TAPRI - Tampere Peace Research Institute

France
ARI - Arab Reform Initiative
Association Euromed - IHEDN
CERI – Sciences Po Centre d'études et de recherches internationales
CMCI - Institut de la Méditerranée
EU ISS - European Union Institute for Security Studies
FMES – Fondation méditerranéenne d'études stratégiques
FRS - Fondation pour la Recherche Stratégique
IFRI - Institut français des relations internationales
Kedge Business School

Germany
CAP - Center for Applied



On 23 March, the Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade held a seminar that marked the release of the Joint Policy Study "Mapping the Migration Challenges in the EU Transit and Destination Countries", coordinated by Erzsébet Rózsa, External Researcher at IFAT, and published in the framework of the EuroMeSCo ENI Project.

Publications

EuroMeSCo Joint Policy Study 7

Future of Syria

M. Akgün, S.Tiryaki (Eds.), F.Gaub, S. Kawakibi, J.Quero, E.Soler, E.Woertz



The Syrian uprising, which began in March 2011, quickly devolved into a violent civil war between President Bashar al-Assad's regime and multiple, fragmented opposition movements. Six years later, the conflict has resulted in the deaths of over 4700,000 Syrians, according to the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights; forced 4.8 million people to migrate to neighboring countries; and displaced a further 7.6 million people within Syria.

Efforts to address the conflict included a 2013 transitional roadmap for Syria, which was based on the presumption that the crisis could be promptly settled. However, following the lack of success of the United Nations-backed Geneva I and II talks between the Syrian government and the Syrian opposition, there has been a paucity of academic and political initiatives envisioning the future of Syria.

In line with these efforts, this Joint Policy Study has attempted to assess the post-conflict phase of Syria through its four chapters: state-building, political, structural, and legal issues; Syria's military post-conflict; Syria's economy and the war damage, possible peace keeping and reconstruction architecture; and reconciliation and minorities in Syria.

This Joint Policy Study was written in the framework of the EuroMeSCo Working Package "Future of Syria", led by the Global Political Trends Center.

Read the [Joint Policy Study](#)

Policy Research

DGAP - German Council on Foreign Relations

DIE - German Development Institute

GIGA - German Institute of Global and Area Studies

SWP - Stiftung

Wissenschaft und Politik

ZEI - Center for European Integration Studies

Greece

EKEM- Hellenic Centre for European Studies

ELIAMEP - Hellenic Foundation for European & Foreign Policy

Hungary

Center for Economic and Regional Studies,
Hungarian Academy of Sciences

IFAT- Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade

Institute for International Studies of the Corvinus University of Budapest

Israel

CSEPS - Centre for the Study of European Politics and Society

INSS – Institute for National Security Studies

IPCRI - Israel / Palestine Center for Research and Information

Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations

MITVIM - The Israeli Institute for Regional Foreign Policies
The Moshe Dayan Center

Italy

European University Institute

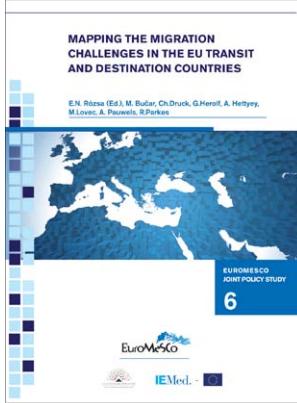
Fondazione Mediterraneo

IAI - Istituto Affari Internazionali

ISPI - Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale

ISSM- Institute of Studies

EuroMeSCo Joint Policy Study 6
Mapping Migration Challenges in the EU
Transit and Destination Countries
E.N. Rózsa (Ed.), M. Bučar, Ch. Druck, G. Herolf, A. Hettyey, M. Lovec, A. Pauwels, R. Parkes



The year 2015 was a serious stress test for the stability and cohesion of the European Union. The so-called refugee crisis has induced not only emotions, positive and negative, but continuous shifts both in public opinion and government actions. The crisis has also revealed several divisions within the European Union among its member states, and also disclosed certain limitations of the European project.

The Joint Policy Study analyses the selected cases of some "destination countries" (Germany and Sweden), of some "transit route member states" (Hungary, Slovenia and Croatia), and the atypical case of a country that was both transit and destination (Austria). The countries were selected on the basis of the experiences of the 2015 mass immigration, i.e. the most "popular" destinations and the transits along the Western Balkan route, which has carried the greatest refugee flow to the European Union in 2015-2016.

This Joint Policy Study was written in the framework of the EuroMeSCo Working Package "Mapping Migration Challenges in the EU Transit and Destination Countries", led by the Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade.

[Read the Joint Policy Study](#)

EuroMeSCo Policy Brief 73
Arab Mediterranean Youth Migration. Who Wants to Leave, and Why?
By Elena Sánchez-Montijano, Marina Girona-Raventós

The purpose of this policy brief is to identify and explain the push factors behind the phenomenon of Arab Mediterranean youth migration. The document highlights the importance of push factors of an economic nature and argues that the desire to migrate does not depend on the education level and the (un)employment of the young people. This analysis on the intentions and motivations behind emigration provides interesting insights for policy makers both in origin and destination countries.

This Policy Brief was written in the framework of the EuroMeSCo Working Package "Mapping Migration Challenges in the EU Transit and Destination Countries", led by the Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade.

[Read the Brief](#)

on Mediterranean Societies
Jean Monnet Euro-Med Centre

Jordan
CSS - Center for Strategic Studies
UJRC - Al-Urdun Al-Jadid Research Center

Latvia
LIIA - Latvian Institute of International Affairs

Lebanon
Carnegie Middle East Centre
LCPS - Lebanese Center for Policy Studies

Malta
Institute for European Studies
MEDAC - Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies

Morocco
CERAM - Centre de recherche sur l'Afrique et la Méditerranée
CERSS - Centre d'études et de recherches en sciences sociales
CRESS - Centre de recherches et d'études en sciences sociales
FAB - Fondation Abderrahim Bouabid
GERM - Groupement d'études et de recherches sur la Méditerranée
IMRI - Institut marocain des relations internationales
Institut Amadeus
OCP Policy Center

Netherlands
Clingendael - Netherlands Institute for International Relations

Palestine
Pal-Think for Strategic Studies
PASSIA - Palestinian Academic Society for the Study of International Affairs

Poland
CASE - Centre for Social and Economic Research
Instytut Europejski
IPA - The Institute of Public Affairs

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Fragility in Tunisia: a Test Case for Integrated Security and Development Assistance

By Giovanni Faleg

Security is one of the key challenges for Tunisia's fragile democratic transition. The deterioration of the security situation within the country since 2015, as well as in neighbouring Libya, has shown the Tunisian government's persisting difficulties in maintaining stability and protecting its citizens from jihadi terrorism. This policy brief appraises Tunisia's relations with key security providers (NATO, the EU, individual EU Member States, and the United States). It argues that, despite significant increase in foreign support to the Tunisian security sector in the past two years, a lack of integrated security-development strategy and coordination between international actors may erode part of the country's progress towards stability, failing to address the root causes of fragility. Coherent, coordinated and sustained assistance from the international community will be pivotal for the security of Tunisia in the years to come.

This Policy Brief was written in the framework of the EuroMeSCo Working Package "Transformation in Tunisia: The First Five Years", led by the Finnish Institute of International Affairs.

Read the [Brief](#)

Upcoming events

EUISS – European Union Institute for Security Studies, OCP Policy Center

[EU-Africa Strategic Dialogue](#)

4 April, Rabat

Chatham House

[Art as Defiance in the Middle East](#)

5 April, London

CIDOB – Barcelona Centre for International Affairs

[European Breakfast with Giovanni Lepri \(ACNUR\). "The Mediterranean Crisis: The Refugee Challenge Facing Greece"](#)

5 April, Barcelona

DIIS – Danish Institute for International Studies

[Migration or Development? The Impact of Current Migration Flows on the Volume and Orientation of Official Development Assistance](#)

5 April, Copenhagen

EMUNI – Euro-Mediterranean University

[Youth, Employability and Entrepreneurship](#)

5-6 April, Piran

Chatham House

[Turkey's Constitutional Referendum: What Next for Turkish Democracy?](#)

7 April, London

PISM - The Polish Institute of International Affairs

Portugal
COE - North-South Centre of the Council of Europe

Slovakia
SFPA - Slovak Foreign Policy Association

Slovenia
CIR - Centre of International Relations
EMUNI - Euro-Mediterranean University

Spain
AGREEM - Asociación Grupo de Estudios Europeos y Mediterráneos
Casa Árabe - International Institute of Arab and Muslim World Studies

CEI International Affairs
CIDOB - Barcelona Centre for International Affairs
ELCANO - Real Instituto Elcano de Estudios Internacionales y Estratégicos
Fundación Alternativas
IEMed - European Institute of the Mediterranean
UNISCI - Unidad de Investigación sobre Seguridad y Cooperación Internacional

Sweden
SIIA - Swedish Institute of International Affairs
SIPRI - Stockholm International Peace Research Institute

Tunisia
AEI - Association des études internationales
CAWTAR - Center of Arab Women for Training and Research
CEMI - Centre des études méditerranéennes et internationales
ITES - Institut tunisien des études stratégiques

Turkey
CES - Centre for European Studies
CERMC - Centre for Economic Research on Mediterranean Countries
FPI - Turkish Foreign Policy

IAI – Istituto Affari Internazionali
[Regional \(Dis\)order in the Middle East: Historical Legacies and Current Shifts](#)
11 April, Bologna

IIR – Institute of International Relations Prague
[EU Security in an Unpredictable World](#)
11 April, Prague

IAI – Istituto Affari Internazionali
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12 April, Bologna

Chatham House
[AfSafari Forum: Perspectives on Islam and Democracy](#)
19 April, London

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26 April, Paris

FMES – Mediterranean Foundation for Strategic Studies
[Menaces et reculs de Daech](#)
27 April, Toulon

Institute
GPoT - Global Political Trends Centre
IPC - Istanbul Policy Centre
ORSAM - Center for Middle Eastern Strategic Studies
TASAM - Turkish Asian Center for Strategic Studies
TESEV - Turkish Economic and Social Studies Foundation

United Kingdom
CIS - Centre of International Studies
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ECFR - European Council on Foreign Relations

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