

PROGRAM

European Guanxi Youth Conference 2023

Friday, September 29th

Beer Mania, Chaussée de Wavre 174/176, Brussels

Ice-Breaking Session: 19:30 - 20:30

Title: “European Economic Security Strategy: Derisking EU-China Relations”

Amid global tensions, the EU's Economic Security Strategy links economy and geopolitics, impacting EU-China relations. While not explicitly mentioning China, it will affect the EU's economic ties with China, necessitating anticipation of China's responses.

Key questions:

- Private Business Engagement: How to facilitate EU-China private sector dialogue within this framework?
- Diversifying cooperation with third countries: How does this approach affect EU-China ties given China's global initiatives?
- Export control regulation: Will the EU's export control tighten, impacting tech exports to China and potentially shaping China's tech strategies?

Panelists

- Alessandro Bazzoli, EU-China Trade Advisor at WSBI-ESBG
- Giacomo Pozzi, Project Executive at Development Solutions Europe Ltd
- Dr. Malorie Schaus, Research Fellow at CEPS

Saturday, September 30th

Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Avenue de l'Yser 11, Brussels

Registration: 09:00-10:00

Opening remarks: Lukian De Boni, President, European Guanxi: 10:00-10:10

Opening Keynote: Dr Sari Arho Havrén, Associate Fellow, Royal United Services Institute (RUSI): 10:10-10:30

Coffee break: 10:30-10:45

First Panel: Security & Defence 10:45-12:15

Moderator: Mark Godges, European Guanxi

Panelists:

- Alicia Fawcett, Senior Cybersecurity Analyst, McKinsey
- Mahmoud Javadi, AI Governance Researcher, Erasmus University Rotterdam
- Nathan Oliver, Head of Cybersecurity, Microminder Cybersecurity
- Stella Meyer, Research Associate and Project Manager, Lisbon Council.

Lunch catered by KAS Brussels: 12:15-13:45

Second Panel: Technology & Digitalisation 13:45-15:15

Moderator: Calvin Oliver, European Guanxi

Panelists:

- Fanny Sauvignon, Researcher in Foreign Policy, CEPS
- Marie Le Mouel, formerly at Bruegel and Tilburg University
- Robin Schindowski, Research Analyst, Bruegel

Closing Keynote: Samuel Dempsey, Director of Policy, European Horizons: 15:15-15:30

Closing remarks: Anirban Das, CPO, European Guanxi: 15:30-15:40

Evening Activities for Selected Participants

Afternoon activity: 16:00-17:30

Dinner at Mili restaurant 宅小馆 (Chaussée de Boondael 356): 18:00-19:30