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Project on Europe and the Transatlantic Relationship

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The Project on Europe and the Transatlantic Relationship

Bridging the Atlantic to resolve the world's most pressing issues.

The Project on Europe and the Transatlantic Relationship

aims to strengthen the University's capacities for teaching, research and policy on the relationship between the United States and Europe. The program is designed to deepen a relationship which has—for over 70 years—served as an anchor of global order, driven the expansion of the world economy, provided peace and stability and reunited peoples once divided by war. In doing so, we hope to prepare a new generation of leaders on both sides of the Atlantic.

The Project's specific aims are two-fold: [1] To deepen the Kennedy School's commitment to research on Europe—to create a Chair in European Studies and to expand our teaching on modern European politics, NATO, the European Union, Russia, Ukraine, and other states of the region. [2] To expand our understanding and support for the Transatlantic relationship and the free societies and democratic foundations that are its core.

The Project will convene academics and practitioners to campuses as fellows for teaching and training, conferences and workshops for degree students and policy-makers. We will support academic research in four core areas:

- **Strengthening Western Democracies**
- **Security Policy**
- **Diplomacy**
- **Economics and Trade**



Its programming is designed to prepare the next generation of transatlantic leaders for careers in diplomacy, security and development policy, but also in the key policy areas that reinforce the transatlantic relationship, including economic and labor relations, trade, energy, cyber and technology policy, as well as cooperative approaches to tackling transnational issues—including climate change, terrorism and the rise of anti-democratic populism.



Dedicated to improving public policy and public leadership, the Project on Europe and the Transatlantic Relationship will also support novel approaches that work to strengthen the values and norms that underpin Western democracies and their institutional and social advancement.

TEACHING TRANSATLANTIC PUBLIC POLICY FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Through the **Pierre Keller Visiting Fellowship**, the Harvard Kennedy School will be able to bring consistent teaching on issues driving European public policy and transatlantic policy questions. This will provide students with a grounding in the theory and practice of European institutions, law and policy-making to complement teaching on US policy practice already in existence. This will allow them to develop a depth of comparative expertise to develop functional, innovative solutions to the most pressing problems in the transatlantic policy space.

PRACTICE-BASED LEARNING AND REAL-WORLD DECISION MAKING

Learning through practice-based teaching is a Harvard Kennedy School tradition. The Project on Europe and the Transatlantic Relationship will bring senior diplomats, policymakers and public policy innovators from Europe and the United States to campus as speakers and fellows.

MEASURABLE IMPACT ON TRANSATLANTIC POLICY MAKING

An annual Harvard conference held in Segovia, Spain and Talloires, France, in alternating years, will serve as a regular convening space for academics and practitioners working in this space. These conferences and on-campus workshops will inform the program's research publications, including an already planned report on the 70th Anniversary of NATO.

PAST EUROPE SPEAKERS AND FELLOWS

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| Jogo Vale de Almeida , EU Ambassador to the UN | Lord Peter Ricketts , former National Security Advisor of the United Kingdom |
| Anthony Gerdener , former U.S. Ambassador to the EU | Sir John Sawers , former U.K. Chief of the Secret Intelligence Service, MI6 |
| Karel de Gucht , former European Commissioner for Trade and former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Belgium | Helga Maria Schmidt , Secretary General of the European External Action Service |
| Wolfgang Ischinger , Chairman of the Munich Security Conference | Radosław Sikorski , former Foreign Minister of Poland |
| Natalie Jaresko , former Finance Minister of Ukraine | Javier Solana , former High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy for the EU |
| Paul Jones , U.S. Ambassador to Poland | Jens Stoltenberg , Secretary General of NATO |
| Victoria Nuland , former Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs at the United States Department of State | Sir Peter Westmacott , former British Ambassador to the U.S. |
| David O'Sullivan , Ambassador of the European Union to the U.S. | Peter Wittig , German Ambassador to the U.S. |
| Anders Fogh Rasmussen , former Secretary General of NATO | |

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