

Program

Tripartite Young Leaders Conference

THE EUROPEAN UNION IN CRISIS – The Future of the Euro and the Euro Zone

Warsaw, November 13 – 15th, 2011

Sunday, November 13, 2011

Individual arrival at the Hotel

Polonia Palace Hotel

Al. Jerozolimskie 45
00-692 Warsaw, Poland
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6:00 pm

Bus transfer to
Hotel Le Meridien Bristol
Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44
00-001 Warszawa, Poland
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6:30 pm

Reception and Dinner

Welcome

Ambassador Janusz Reiter

President, Center for International Relations, Warsaw, Poland

William M. Drozdiak

President, American Council on Germany, New York, NY, USA

Dinner Speaker

Jan Techau

Director, Carnegie Europe, Brussels, Belgium

Time for Strategic Europe

Moderator:

Ambassador Janusz Reiter

Monday, November 14, 2011

7:30 am

Breakfast at Polonia Palace Hotel

8:30 am

Walk to conference venue

Centrum Konferencyjne Zielna

Foundation for German-Polish Cooperation/

Fundacja Wspolpracy Polsko-Niemieckiej

ulica Zielna 37

PL-00-108 Warszawa, Poland

tel: +48 (0)22 338 62 70

9:00 am

Welcome

Ambassador Janusz Reiter

President, Center for International Relations, Warsaw, Poland

Dr. Helena Kane Finn

Vice President and Director of Programs, American Council on Germany,
New York, NY, USA

Petra Pissulla

Director, Dräger Foundation, Lübeck, Germany

9:15 – 10:45 am

Session 1

An Analysis: The Escalating Debt Crises in Europe and the US – What Went Wrong and Why?

Speakers:

Sven Giegold

Member of the European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium

Ryszard Petru

President, Society of Polish Economists, Warsaw, Poland

Comments from the Study Group:

Dr. Aimée Kanner Arias

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL, USA

Dr. Anna Visvizi

Associate Professor

Department of International Business and European Affairs (IBEA)

The American College of Greece (DEREE), Athens, Greece

Moderator:

Sebastian Litta

Project Director, stiftung neue verantwortung, Berlin, Germany

10:45 – 11:15 am

Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:45 pm

Session 2

How Will the Euro Crisis Affect the Model of European Integration?

Topics

Do we have to contemplate a total disaster scenario, should the rescue package fail? Scenarios for an exclusion of Greece from the Euro Zone (not necessarily from the Euro) – costs and benefits? Could further countries be dragged down? Is a two-speed European Union an answer? What is the legitimacy of the EU – can we afford a social divide? What will enforced public austerity in highly indebted countries mean for social cohesion and the acceptance of the integration process among the European population? Is – in the end – a European federal ‘superstate’ the answer?

Panelists from the Study Group:

Jan Schilbach

Vice President, Senior Economist, Banking, Financial Markets, Regulation, Deutsche Bank Research, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

Ignacy Morawski

Economist, Polski Bank Przedsiębiorczości S.A. (The Polish Bank of Entrepreneurship), Warsaw, Poland

Jeffrey Levine

Senior Financial Analyst, New York, NY, USA

Ekkhard Issel

Executive Director, Investment Banking Division, Morgan Stanley Bank AG,
Frankfurt/Main, Germany

Moderator:

Armin Häberle

Managing Editor and Head of Research, FINANCE Emerging Europe,
FINANCIAL GATES GmbH, F.A.Z.-Institute, Frankfurt, Germany

12:45 – 1:45 pm

Lunch

2:00 – 3:00 pm

Session 3 – Distinguished Speaker Lecture

Professor Marek Belka

President, National Bank of Poland, NBP, Warsaw, Poland

How to Deal with the Economic and Financial Crisis of the EU – A Polish Perspective

Comment from the Study Group:

Dr. Johannes Lindner

Advisor, Oversight Division, DG-Payments and Market Infrastructure, European
Central Bank, Frankfurt/Main, Germany

Discussion

Moderator:

Ambassador Janusz Reiter

President, Center for International Relations, Warsaw, Poland

3:00 – 3:30 pm

Coffee Break

3:30 – 5:00 pm

Session 4

Malgorzata Kaluzynska

Director of Department of Economic Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Warsaw,
Poland

The Future of the EU

Comments from the study group:

Dr. Frederike Wolf

Political Consultant, miller und meier consulting GmbH, Berlin, Germany

Zornitsa Stoyanova-Yerburgh

Managing Editor, Ethics & International Affairs Journal, Carnegie Council for Ethics & International Affairs, New York, NY, USA

Moderator:

Bartłomiej Nowak

Executive Director, Center for International Relations, Warsaw, Poland

Walk back to Hotel

6:30 pm

Bus transfer to the residence of

William A. Heidt

Chargé d'Affairs, American Embassy in Warsaw

Residence: ul. Dąbrowskiego 48

PL 02-561 Warsaw, POLAND

Dinner hosted by William A. Heidt

Greeting and remarks by

William A. Heidt

and

Joachim Bleicker

Chargé d'Affairs, German Embassy in Warsaw

Crisis Management: Is Germany Partner or Troublemaker? How are the Euro Crisis and the Measures Taken Perceived in the US and Germany? How Can Transatlantic Partnership & Cooperation Help to Resolve the Crisis?

Tuesday, November 15, 2011

8:00 am Breakfast at Polonia Palace Hotel

9:00 am Walk to conference venue

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9:30 – 11:00 am **Session 5**

The Rescue Package: Evaluation of the Measures Taken So Far – Adequate or Insufficient?

Topics

Do they limit systemic risks? Do they improve governance in the EU? Do they restore economic strength and competitiveness in highly indebted countries? Do they stabilize the European financial sector? How does rising inequality in EU member states affect growth and efficiency? What is the future role of the ECB? Which global consequences have to be expected? What are the implications for the US and the transatlantic partnership?

Speaker:

Rafał Antczak

Vice-President of the Board, Consulting Department, Deloitte Business Consulting SA, Warsaw, Poland

Comments from the Study Group:

Artur Kluz

Partner, Metropolitan Capital Solutions, Warsaw, Poland

Oliver Wiechoczek

Senior Advisor to the German Board Member, European Investment Bank, Berlin, Germany

Moderator:

Andrew Nagorski

Director of Public Policy and Senior Fellow, EastWest Institute, New York, NY, USA

11:00 – 11:30 am **Coffee Break**

11:30 – 1:00 pm

Session 6 – Role Play

Lessons Learnt and Lessons Not Learnt From the Global Economic and Financial Crisis – Looking Ahead

Jamila Bilimoria: The banker's perspective (implications of debt cuts for private banks; consequences for private sector lending; regulatory reforms of the international financial sector: which consequences would a transaction tax have, new capital requirements; the US banking reform – an example for Europe?)

Jarosław Wiśniewski: The European Union's perspective (how to avoid future crises - are sanctions needed; prerequisites for membership in the Euro Zone and consequences for the accession of new members to the Euro Zone; which monetary and fiscal policies in the EU are needed; prerequisites for a functioning currency union; harmonizing macroeconomic policies? a federal EU government?)

Pola Cebulak: The Greek perspective (consequences of the austerity policy for the economy and the population; why remain in the Euro zone? are there alternatives?)

Armin Häberle: The 'Occupy Wall Street' perspective (diffuse anger with unacceptable inequalities, the misregulation of the financial sector, bad governance? Which ways out?)

Players: Members from the study group

Jamila Bilimoria

Senior Manager, Accounting & Reporting, Siemens Corporation, Iselin, NJ, USA

Pola Cebulak

PhD Student, University of Geneva, Geneva, Switzerland

Jarosław Wiśniewski

King's College London,

Research Associate, European Centre for Energy and Resource Security

Armin Häberle

Managing Editor and Head of Research, FINANCE Emerging Europe, FINANCIAL GATES GmbH, F.A.Z.-Institute, Frankfurt, Germany

Moderator:

Dr. Malgorzata Bonikowska

Managing Partner, Publisher, THINKTANK Magazine, Warsaw, Poland

1:00 – 2:00 pm

Lunch

2:00 – 3:30 pm

Session 7

China and India –Strategic Partner or Competitor? Rettungsanker (sheet anchor) or threat to the European economies?

Panelists from the Study Group:

Sven Böll

Head of Business and Economic Desk, SPIEGEL-ONLINE, Hamburg, Germany

Malgorzata Krusiewicz

Permanent Representation of Poland to the European Union, Brussels, Belgium

Moderator:

Richard Hornik

Former executive editor, ASIaweek magazine, Hong Kong, China

3:30 – 4:00 pm

Coffee Break

4:00 – 4:30 pm

Wrap up and recommendations – How to secure a stable future of the Euro and the Euro Zone

Moderator:

William Drozdiak

President, American Council on Germany, New York, NY, USA

Walk back to Hotel

6:30 pm

Bus transfer to ‘U Fukiera restaurant’

Rynek Starego Miasta 27

PL 00- 272 Warsaw

7:00 pm

Informal Dinner at Restaurant ‘U Fukiera’