

AESI – STUDY SEMINARS 2025

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“PEACE, SCIENCE AND ART OF SOLIDARITY”

FOR NEW WORLD LEADERSHIP

University Cooperation, Peace Process, International Relations, Diplomacy

ACADEMIC YEAR 2025

DRAFT PROGRAM

21 JANUARY 2025 - ESPERIENZA EUROPA 3.30 pm

EU LEADERSHIP AND PEACE PROCESS

Welcome: **Dr. Carlo Corazza** Director EU Parliament in Italy

Dr. Elena Grech Head EU Commission in Italy - **Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva** AESI President

Chairman: On. Alberto Michelini AESI Presidency, F. EU Parliamentary

Amb. Adriano Benedetti - AESI Presidency and F. Director General MAECI

Gen. Franco Federici - Military Advisor of the President of the Council Ministers and AESI Presidency

Cons. Luca Fava - Head Office for Recruitment, Experts and Internships - DGRI MAECI

Presentation of AESI 2025: Dr. Cinzia Vanzo - Secretary General AESI

18 February 2025 - Circolo degli Esteri – Sala Musica 3.30 pm

EUROPE 50 YEARS AFTER HELSINKI AGREEMENTS

Welcome: **Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva** AESI President

Amb. Franco Mistretta – AESI Presidency and F. Director Diplomatic Institute MAECI

Chairman: Prof. Antonio Macchia AESI Vice President

Amb. Pasquale Ferrara DG DGAP MAECI and AESI Scientific Committee

Amb. Sebastiano Cardi - F. Italian Ambassador to United Nations in New York

Amb. Gianfranco Varvesi AESI Presidency - **Amb. Andrea Cascone** Ambassador to OSCE Vienna (on line)

Discussion: **Dr. Alessandro Iachetta** - Direction AESI

18 March 2025 - CASD PALAZZO SALVIATI 10.00 am

PEACE AND SECURITY FOR UNITED NATIONS/NATO

Welcome: **Gen. Stefano Mannino** - President CASD

Greetings: **Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva** AESI President

Opening Address Message: **Gen. Luciano Portolano** - Chief of the Italian Defence Staff

Chairman: Gen. Vincenzo Camporini – AESI Presidency and Former Chief of Italian Defense Staff

Amb. Riccardo Sessa - President SIOI and AESI Scientific Committee

Gen. Franco Federici - Military Advisor of the President of the Council Ministers and AESI Presidency

11.00 am **AESI / UNTSO - UNIFIL - EUFOR PROGRAMS FOR PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST AND BALKANS**

Amb. Gabriele Checchia - AESI Presidency and Former Ambassador to Lebanon

Gen. Patrick Gauchat - Head UNTSO Mission in Jerusalem

Gen. Stefano Del Col Supreme Défense Council Presidency of the Republic, AESI Presidency

Amb. Francesco Maria Talò F. Ambassador to Israel and AESI Scientific Committee

Gen. Lorenzo Dal Maso - Deputy Force Commander EUFOR in Sarajevo

12.30 Discussion: **Dr. Alberto Di Mattia** – Direction AESI

8 April 2025 - ESPERIENZA EUROPA 3.30 pm

JUSTICE AND PEACE FOR DEMOCRACY

Welcome: Dr. Fabrizio Spada - Head of the Institutional Relations of the European Parliament in Italy

Amb. Adriano Benedetti - AESI Presidency and F. DG MAECI

Opening Remarks: Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva - President AESI - **Trailer Video “White Rose”**

(with Sophie Scholl - During the Second World War, a group of Students at Munich University created a resistance cell)

Chairman: Amb. Gianfranco Varvesi - AESI Presidency and F. Ambassador to the OSCE Vienna

Amb. Diego Brasioli - Cyber Security, Artificial Intelligence and Digital Vulnerability in Society - MAECI

Prof. Antonio Macchia - Vice President AESI, Professor of History of International Relations

Discussion: Dr. Iacopo Vito Susca - Direction AESI - **Dr. David Haznedari** - Staff AESI

20 May 2025 - PALAZZO BORROMEO 4.00 pm

PEACE AND BEAUTY - ARMONY OF JUSTICE

Welcome: Amb. Francesco Di Nitto – Italian Ambassador to the Holy See

Greetings: Amb. Carlo Lo Cascio - Deputy Secretary General MAECI

Chairman: Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva - President AESI

SE Mons Paul Richard Gallegher – Vatican Secretary for Relations with the States

Prof. Paul O’Callaghan - Professor of Theological Anthropology Pontifical University of Holy Cross

Amb. Mira Daher - Ambassador of Lebanon to Italy

Mons. Marco Frisina – Director Choir Dioceses of Rome – Composer

Cons. Clemente Contestabile – Diplomatic Advisor to the Minister of Culture

Ms. Fabiana Didonato General Secretariat of the Presidency of the Italian Republic

Discussion: Dr. Silvia Siciliano - Director AESI

10/14 June 2024 **AESI MISSION IN ESTONIA “EU LEADERSHIP FOR PEACE”**

Welcome Amb. Stefano Catani - Italian Ambassador in Tallinn

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OMXqajOOM7U>

24 June 2025 - CASALE VILLA MADAMA – 4.00 pm

DIPLOMATIC AND INTERNATIONAL CAREERS

Welcome: Min. Plen. Patrizia Falcinelli - Director General Human Resources and Innovation MAECI

Greetings: Min. Plen. Laura Egoli - Director of Training Human Resources Casale Villa Madama DGRI MAECI

Prof. Massimo Maria Caneva President AESI - **VIDEO: <https://youtu.be/o-OBjGz7naE>**

Dr. Luca Pierantoni - Head of the Department of Political Affairs - EU Commission in Italy

Chairman: Amb. Adriano Benedetti - AESI Scientific Committee and Former DG MAECI

Gen. Stefano Del Col - Supreme Défense Council – Presidency of the Republic and AESI Scientific Committee

Prof. Antonio Macchia – Vice President AESI – **Min. Plen. Stefano Baldi** – DGAP MAECI

Dr. Daniela Salvati - AESI Scientific Committee and Former Head UNICRI Rome

Discussion: Dr. Giulia Covalea - Director Web Site AESI



AESI SEMINARS DIPLOMATIC INSTITUTE MAECI - EU PARLIAMENT AND COMMISSION – IT EMBASSY TO HOLY SEE



ROBERT SCHUMAN



WITH JEAN

MONNET

“Europe will not be made all at once, or according to a single plan. It will be built through concrete achievements which first create a de facto solidarity. Democracy owes its origin and development to Christianity. It was born when man was called to realize the dignity of the person in individual freedom, respect for the rights of others and the love of neighbour. Before Christian message these principles had not been formulated, nor they ever became the spiritual basis of an authority system.”(Robert Schuman)



KONRAD ADENAUER *“We Europeans must exercise together also foreign policy, only this purpose can really help us.”(Konrad Adenauer) “In the long term the future of the West is not so much threatened by a political tension as from the danger of standardization, uniformity of thought and feeling; in short, from all over the life system, the escape from responsibility, with the only self-concern. This risk can really become fatal for the cultural progress”(Konrad Adenauer)*



ALCIDE DE GASPERI *“At the origin of this European civilization is Christianity. I do not mean introducing any sectarian or exclusive policy, in appreciation of our history. I just want to talk about a common European legacy, of that unitary moral which enhances the person and the responsibility of the human being ”(Alcide De Gasperi)*



ALTIERO SPINELLI *“The task of achieving European unity is not entitled to an indeterminable generation of an indeterminable future, but it was up to our generation.” (Altiero Spinelli)*