

PROGRAMME

14h - 14h30

Opening address

Thierry Breton, European Commissioner for the Internal Market

14h30-15h45

Panel 1. Geopolitics of the European Union in the 21st century

- **Pascal Boniface**, Director of the French Institute for International and Strategic relations (IRIS)
- **Ulrike Franke**, Policy fellow at the European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR)
- **Alexandra de Hoop Scheffer**, Paris Office director of the German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMFUS)
- **Nathalie Tocci**, Director of Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI) and Special Advisor to the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

Moderation: Federico Santopinto, Research fellow at GRIP

15h45-16h15

Guest Speaker

Jolyon Howorth, Harvard Kennedy School

16h15-17h30

Panel 2. Is the EU European defence's last hope?

- **Sven Biscop**, Director of the European Programme at the Egmont Institute, professor at the Ghent University
- **Ana Gomes**, Former Member of the European Parliament (2004-2019) (Portugal)
- **Urmas Paet**, Member of the European Parliament (Estonia)
- **Jean-Paul Palomeros**, Former NATO Supreme Allied Commander for Transformation (SACT), former Chief of Staff of the French Air forces

Moderation: Frédéric Mauro, Associated research fellow at IRIS

17h30-18h00

Closing address

Nathalie Loiseau, Chair of the Subcommittee on Security and Defence of the European Parliament