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European public policies;
European institutions;
Decision-making process in the European Union;
Foreign relations of the European Union;
Diplomacy and negotiations;
European public policies evaluation;
EU-LAC relationship.

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European citizenship;
Public policies;
Societal security;
Human migration in Europe;
Minorities' integration;
Development policies;
Multiculturalism.

PROF. UNIV. DR. DANIEL DĂIANU - Email address: daniel.daianu@bnrro.ro

International financial system: crisis, institutions, reform of the regulatory and supervisory framework;
EU governance: Euro zone crisis; the Banking Union; the new governance system in the EU; implications for new EU members;
Structural trends in the world economy: economic power redistribution; the EU's place in the global economy; demographic pressures;
Robustness and resilience of socio-economic systems: conventional and unconventional shocks (including cyber-attacks);
Climate change and the economic and social environment;
Economy and the pandemic;
Emerging economies and advanced economies;
Joining the Euro area.

PROF. UNIV. DR. MIHAIL IONESCU - Email address: ionescu_mihail@yahoo.com

The First Gulf War - 1990: causes and consequences; topics on the issue of Cold War's ending and the great US-USSR alliance - the debate on NATO expansion, the Western orientation of the USSR/ Russia and its abandonment;
Crisis of the breakup of Yugoslavia - 1992-1999: causes, consequences; the current situation, today's solutions in the Western Balkans; issues from the 1999 NATO intervention to the emergence of the state of Kosovo or the Dayton Agreement;
September 2001 - the outbreak of the war against terrorism: the beginning of the liberal interventionism era (topics on PKeeping missions in various countries, from Afghanistan to Congo and Mali or Ukraine - special case - under various auspices - NATO, UN, OSCE);

US invasion of Iraq – 2003 - and the Great Middle East: hegemonic trends and involved actors (diverse perspectives on this topic);

"Arab Spring": causes, consequences, involved actors, results, waiting horizons of the great powers: topics from the outbreak of the movement in 2010-2011 to the events in Libya, Egypt, Syria and Russia's re-entry in the Mideast in 2015 amid Ukraine's annexation;

Syria - a crisis with multiple files (great power conflicts, Shiite-Sunni clashes, Iran and the Mediterranean, Russia and its search for a global role through the extended presence in the Mediterranean, the US and the Great Middle East, the Arab caliphate versus the war against terrorism, etc.) and historical roots (colonialism, religious clashes, etc.);

EU sovereign debt crisis and the global financial crisis of 2008-2010 - geopolitical dimensions, realignments and the occurrence of power policy; various topics;

The exponential growth of China and the "Thucydides trap": is the hegemonic war possible?

Brexit and the EU's internal crisis - from neoliberalism to illiberalism/ sovereignty, populism and extremism - various topics;

The global SARS-CoV-2 pandemic, geopolitical influences, realignments and systemic resettlement - issues from the EU strategic autonomy to the reiteration of Russia's proposal for Greater Europe;

The unipolar moment of the USA and the opposition of multipolarism: the systemic structure and great power strategies (1993-2015) - various topics - new geopolitical 'cuts' (the Great Middle East, Western Balkans, the Shiite Crescent, etc.); alignments and realignments and new international institutions and the role of the old ones, etc.

PROF. UNIV. DR. TEODOR MELEȘCANU - Email address: tmelescanu@yahoo.com

The change of the international relations' nature and of the use of force in the global context;

International developments in the Asia-Pacific region;

Regional conflicts and their impact on international security;

The role of nation states and ensuring international security;

International hegemony and its role in the global balance;

Ensuring the security of the NATO and the European Union member states;

Prospects for the Western Balkans in the relations with the EU.

PROF. UNIV. DR. ADRIAN MIROIU - Email address: ad_miroiu@yahoo.com

Social choice theory;

Political philosophy;

Institutional theories applications;

Public policies;

Scientometric research;

Public policies for higher education;

Theories of authoritarian, dictatorial or totalitarian systems.

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The impact of structural crises on the international system. Case study: the COVID-19 pandemic and the acceleration of the main trends of global transformation;

Redistribution of power in the international system. From unipolarism to multiple centers of power or a new bipolar system;
The European Union as an international player - from normative power to strategic autonomy;
The decision-making process in foreign and security policies, respectively the common security and defense policy of the EU. Case studies;
Perspectives on the future of the common security and defense policy;
Reconsideration of the European Union's strategic partnerships: challenges and priorities;
Continuity and change in transatlantic relations;
Global competition between the United States and China. Is the "Thucydides' trap" inevitable?
China's relations with the European Union and the European Union member states;
The Eastern Partnership and the EU-Russian Federation relationship;
"Strategic reinsurance" and NATO's role in European and global security;
The political and strategic situation in the Black Sea after the illegal annexation of Crimea.
NATO's and EU's roles and responsibilities;
The impact of artificial intelligence and digitalization on foreign policy and defense policy;
Vulnerabilities, risks and threats to national security;
Conflicts of the 21st century. Typology and case studies.

PROF. UNIV. DR. GEORGE MAIOR

Knowledge systems and processes in the informational era;
Paradigms and perceptions in the study and practice of international relations;
Diplomatic tools and approaches for the 21st century;
Geostrategic faults and bridges: security from regionalism to globalism;
Sources and types of conflict and cooperation in the age of uncertainty;
Digitalizing security: between connectivity, adversity and artificial intelligence;
Energy and the environment in the new global security architecture.

CONF. UNIV. DR. MIRUNA BUTNARU-TRONCOTĂ - Email address:
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Postmodernism and globalization;
Discursive practices of legitimizing political decisions on the international stage;
Analysis of humanitarian interventionism;
Post-conflict reconstruction;
Postcolonialism in international relations;
Theories of European integration;
European policies - especially EU enlargement and foreign policies;
Critical geopolitical theories;
Europeanization from interdisciplinary perspectives;
Discursive communities in the EU and the EU's strategic neighborhood (Eastern Partnership, Western Balkans).

PROF. UNIV. DR. ANDREI ȚĂRANU - ataranu@politice.ro

History of European Populism;
Contemporary populism and its impact on democracy;
Culture and Politics: The Influence of literature, art and music on the formation of political ideologies and behaviors;
Political Symbolics. The space of the political imaginary;
Political Mythology. Political language and semantics;
History of Political Doctrines and Ideologies.

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Undemocratic political regimes, dissent, opposition and geopolitical imperatives in Central and Eastern Europe;
The end of the Cold War, the collapse of communist regimes and the political transition in Central and Eastern Europe;
Long economic and politico-military cycles in international relations;
Continuity and metamorphosis in the geopolitics of the 21st century;
The new regionalism. Regional cooperation in the wider Black Sea region after the Cold War;
The transition of power in the 21st century;
The dynamics and prospects of EU-Russia relations in the context of the common neighborhood;
Evolutions of regional security complexes and supercomplexes: Case studies;
Adaptation and resilience of the international system in the age of complexity, uncertainty, imbalance, fragmentation and challenge;
The impact of emerging powers on global and regional power distribution and governance.

PROF. UNIV. DR. LILIANA POPESCU - Email address: liliana.popescu@politice.ro

The relationship between the European Union and the post-Soviet space;
The relationship between the European Union and the Russian Federation;
Foreign policies and relations in Eastern Europe;
Interdisciplinary topics in international relations - political theory;
Interdisciplinary topics in international relations - gender studies;
Contemporary processes of democratization and erosion of democracy;
Feminist perspectives in international relations.

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Public policies;
Institutionalism in organizational analysis;
Educational policies;
Higher education policies;
Science policy and scientometry;
Electoral systems and political systems;
Public management.

CONF. UNIV. DR. TODOR ARPAD - Email address: todor.arpad@politice.ro

Environmental policies at national and European Union level;
Sustainable development policies at national and EU level;
Varieties of capitalism;
Taxation policies, environmental taxation;
Constitutional reform and political systems;
Social policies, austerity policies at EU level;
Regional development and decentralization policies;
National systems for the coordination of European affairs;
European Union foreign policy, in particular in the field of combating climate change, gender equality, human rights and peacekeeping;
Implementation and impact analysis of European funds projects.

CONF. UNIV. Dr. LAURENTIU ȘTEFAN – Email address: laur_stefan@yahoo.com

Romanian politics after 1989

Political parties

Electoral alliances and political alliances

Governing coalitions

The formation, operation and termination of governments

Selection, political and non-political profile of prime ministers

Selection and composition of political elites

Parliamentary elites, government elites, local elites

Political institutions

Political participation