



**Plus ça change... The Solved Riddle of All Central Asian Constitutions**

**Monday, January 29, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Scott Newton**, SOAS University of London, U.K.

*Constitutional Developments in Central Asia Series*



**Nation-building, ISIS and Ethnic Cleansing in the Middle East**

**Monday, February 26, h. 10:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Joshua M. Landis**, University of Oklahoma, U.S.



**The Unbearable Lightness of Dates. Remembering the End of the Cold War in the EU**

**Thursday, February 1, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Aline Sierp**, Maastricht University, The Netherlands

*Understanding the New Europe Series*



**Helping When Need Cannot be Proven**

**Monday, February 26, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Christoph Engel**, Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods, Germany

*International Development Economics Series*



**Iranian Domestic and Regional Politics in the Age of Trump**

**Thursday, February 8, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Sanam Vakil**, Johns Hopkins University SAIS Europe, Italy; Chatham House, U.K.

*The Middle East: Understanding the Role of Regional and External Powers Series*



**Politics in Italy: Not a "Normal" Country - The Political System: Parliament, Governments, Parties 2013-2018**

**Thursday, March 1, h. 10:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Gianfranco Pasquino**, Johns Hopkins University SAIS Europe, Italy

*Part I of a 3-Lecture Mini-course on Italian Politics*



**What About France, Europe and Transatlantic Relations?**

**Monday, February 12, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Frederic Bozo**, Sorbonne Nouvelle (University of Paris III), France

*American Foreign Policy Series*



**Improvisations — The New Politics of Europe**

**Thursday, March 1, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Luuk van Middelaar**, Leiden University, The Netherlands

*Contemporary History and Institutions of the Mediterranean Series*

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**The Grand Delusion: The Rise and Fall of Turkey's Regional Ambitions**

**Thursday, February 15, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Soli Ozel**, Kadir Has University, Turkey

*The Middle East: Understanding the Role of Regional and External Powers Series*



**Trumping the American Constitution: A Genuine Crisis?**

**Monday, March 5, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Jack Rakove**, Pulitzer Prize Winner; Stanford University, U.S.

*America Foreign Policy Series*



**Is Presidentialism Perilous? The Results of a Laboratory Experiment**

**Monday, February 19, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Robert Elgie**, Dublin City University, Ireland

*Understanding the New Europe Series*



**SAIS Europe Lecture**

**Monday, March 12, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Luisa Chiodi**, Osservatorio Balcani e Caucaso, Italy

*Hard Power/Soft Power in Global Politics Series*



**Is Europe an Optimal Political Area?**

**Tuesday, February 20, h. 18:00**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Guido Tabellini**, Bocconi University, Italy

*International Economics Series*



**Politics in Italy: Not a "Normal" Country - The Elections: Electoral Laws and Electoral Results**

**Thursday, March 15, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Gianfranco Pasquino**, Johns Hopkins University SAIS Europe, Italy

*Part II of a 3-Lecture Mini-course on Italian Politics*



**Otherwise Engaged: Social Media from Vanity Metrics to Critical Analytics**

**Thursday, February 22, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Richard Rogers**, University of Amsterdam; Digital Methods Initiative; Netherlands Research School for Media Studies, The Netherlands

*Politics Beyond the State: Politics in the Internet Era Series*



**Making Social Investment Work**

**Thursday, March 29, h. 18:30**  
SAIS Europe Penthouse  
**Anton Hemerijck**, European University Institute, Italy

*Understanding the New Europe Series*