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(Un)expected Effects of the War in Ukraine on Wider Europe

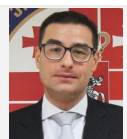
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Join us for a panel discussion on how Russia's war in Ukraine affects the politics and security of European countries seeking EU and NATO membership. "Frozen" conflicts in the Western Balkans and the EU Eastern neighborhoods have not yet found their final resolution and continue to spur uncertainty. Current challenges and the opportunities facing Moldova, Georgia, and Kosovo will be discussed. National policymaking and diplomacy experts will assess the threat of Moscow's interference in these countries' domestic politics and the rare opportunities for achieving energy independence from Russia and accelerated admission to the European structures of cooperation.

Panelists

- **Shota Gvineria**, Lecturer at Baltic Defense College in Tartu, Estonia;
Senior Fellow in Economic Policy Research Center;
Former Ambassador to the Republic of Georgia to the Netherlands
- **Zana Rudi**, Former Ambassador of the Republic of Kosovo to Latin America
- **Olesea Stamate**, Member of the Parliament of Moldova;
Vice President of the Party of Action and Solidarity



Moderator: **Tatiana Kostadinova, Ph.D.**, Professor of Politics & International Relations;
Director European & Eurasian Studies, Florida International University

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