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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Amb. Caroline Vicini

Deputy Head

Delegation of the European Union to the United States in Washington D.C.

Prior to joining the Delegation, Ms. Vicini served as Chief of Protocol, with the rank of Ambassador, at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in Stockholm, Sweden. During her five years in this position, she was the focal point on all issues related to the Vienna Convention for Stockholm's 109 foreign missions, and in charge of all high-level visits to the Swedish government.

From 2008 to 2009, Ms. Vicini worked in Washington, DC, as managing director for the public affairs company, Kreab Gavin Anderson serving Scandinavian corporate clients. In the second half of 2009, she replaced the Deputy Chief of Mission (DCM) at the Swedish Embassy in Dublin.

From 2004-2008, Ms. Vicini was the DCM at the Embassy of Sweden in Washington, DC, a posting that coincided with the construction and inauguration of the new chancery by the Potomac River in Georgetown. During her tenure in Washington, she led the project team that developed the House of Sweden's public diplomacy program.

From 1999 to 2004, Ms. Vicini worked in security policy and military affairs at the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, first as Head of the Pol-Mil section and thereafter as Deputy Head of the Department of European Security Policy. She handled policy areas including: CBMs, defense material, the initial development of the EU's Common Security and Defense Policy (CSDP), and matters related to the intelligence agencies.

Ms. Vicini's earlier postings include Algiers, Paris, and Rome, where she also worked at the headquarters of the World Food Program. She has a Master's in Business Administration from the School of Economics at Gothenburg University.

CONSULS GENERAL PANELISTS

Hon. Cándido Creis Estrada

Consul General of Spain in Miami

Cándido Creis is a career diplomat in the Spanish Foreign Office. In 1995, he took up his first assignment as Head of Foreign Policy and Security Area at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation in Madrid. In 1996 he joined the staff of the Royal Household of His Majesty the King as Deputy Director of the Department of Protocol. In 2001 he went on to work at the Permanent Representation of Spain to the European Union in Brussels until 2006. From 2006 to 2009 he served as Counselor at the Embassy of Spain in Tel Aviv. In 2009 he returned to Brussels to the Permanent Representation of Spain to the European Union. In 2010 he was Chief of Staff of the Undersecretary of the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation.

Most recently, Cándido Creis was appointed Chief of Protocol of the Royal Household of His Majesty the King of Spain (2011 – 2014). From December 2014 to July 2015, he served as Vice Commissioner of the Spanish Pavilion of the World Expo –Milano 2015 (“Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life”).

Since August 2015, Cándido Creis is the Consul General of Spain in Miami for Florida, Georgia and South Carolina.

Cándido Creis has a Law Degree from the Complutense University of Madrid and a Course of English Law from the University of Kent at Canterbury.

Hon. Catalin Ghenea

Consul General of Romania in Miami

Catalin Ghenea assumed his duty as Consul General of Romania in Miami on December 5th, 2017. Prior to this appointment he was posted as Consul and Consul General in Los Angeles.

Between 1999–2002 he served as diplomatic counselor in the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, North America Division, after heading the Israeli Office in the Division for Middle East and Africa.

For two years, between 1997-1999, he was employed as program advisor – international officer – with the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, France.

Before joining the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1995 he was, beginning 1990, Director for International Relations for Youth in the Ministry of Youth and Sport, being member of, or heading, Romanian delegations to numerous international conferences.

Mr. Ghenea holds a Master’s Degree in Architecture with the University of Bucharest, profession which he performed until 1990. He also holds a Master’s Degree in Public Administration with the University of Bucharest.

He is fluent in English, French, German and Portuguese.

Hon. Clément Leclerc

Consul General of France in Miami

Clément Leclerc assumed office as Consul General of France in Miami on September 5, 2016.

Upon joining the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 2003, Mr. Clément Leclerc was assigned to the Department for the United Nations and international organizations.

In 2006, he was appointed First Secretary at the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations in New-York, where he served in the Security Council team.

In 2009, he joined the Office of the President of the French Republic as technical advisor for Sub-Saharan Africa.

From 2012 to 2016, he served as First Counselor, Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy of France in Mexico.

Clément Leclerc, who holds a Master in International Law, is also a graduate of the Paris Institute of Political Studies and of the French National School of Government (ENA).

Hon. Gera Sneller

Consul General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Miami

2017-present: Consul General in Miami, United States

2013-2017: Netherlands Embassy in Harare; Ambassador to Zimbabwe, Zambia and Malawi

2008-2013: Netherlands Embassy in Dakar; Deputy Head of Mission, Head of Development Cooperation

2007-2008: Program “Modernization of Public Service;” Project Manager, International Office

2004-2007: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Regional coordinator for Africa, Passenger Travel and Migration Policy Department

2003-2004: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Policy Advisor, Secretary General’s Office

2002–2003: Netherlands Permanent Representation at the United Nations in New York; Policy Officer, Economic and Social Affairs Division

1998-2002: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Policy coordinator, Financial and Economic Affairs Department

1996-1998: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Policy officer, Political Affairs Department

1993-1996: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Policy officer, Economic Affairs Department

Education:

1991, University of Amsterdam: Economic and Social History

1993, University of Amsterdam: International Economic Relations and Development Economics

Hon. Annette Klein

Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany in Miami

since August 2016 Consul General for Florida, Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands, Miami

until July 2016 Consul General in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

until July 2014 Consul General in Gdansk, Poland

2010/11 Language training

until April 2010 CIO of the German Foreign Office

until 2007 Deputy Head of the German Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan

until 2005 Head of Division in the Protocol Department

until 2001 Desk Officer for Belgium, Luxemburg, the Netherlands and Austria, Berlin

until 2000 Head of the Cultural Department of the German Embassy in Mexico-City

until 1997 Regional Office of the Organization of Security and Cooperation in Europe, OSZE, in Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina

until 1996 Desk Officer for multilateral technical cooperation, Bonn

until 1994 Deputy Head of Mission of the German Embassy in Skopje

until 1992 Desk Officer at the Permanent Mission of the FRG to the United Nations, New York

until 1990 Desk Officer at the German Government's Diplomatic School

1987 - 1989 German Government's Diplomatic School, Bonn

1986 First State Exam (Law)

ACADEMIC PANELISTS

Melisa Balos

*PhD Student in International Relations
Florida International University*

Melisa Balos is a PhD student at FIU in International Relations. Her research interests are energy and environmental security. Melisa's dissertation focuses on critical energy infrastructures.

Brian Fonseca

*Director of the Jack D. Gordon Institute of Public Policy
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Brian Fonseca is director of the Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy at FIU's Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs. Mr. Fonseca serves as the Institute's technical expert for national security and foreign policy. His analysis has been featured in local and national media, including BBC, Bloomberg, Fox News, and the Miami Herald. He serves as WSVN-Fox 7's on-air political expert. Mr. Fonseca joined the Gordon Institute in 2015 after serving as Director of Operations at FIU's Applied Research Center (ARC) where he led the center's expansion into national security and Cybersecurity initiatives. He joined FIU after serving as the senior research manager for socio-cultural analysis at United States Southern Command. His recent book publications include: Brian Fonseca and Eduardo A. Gamarra, eds., *Culture and National Security in the Americas* (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, January 2017) and Brian Fonseca and Jonathan D. Rosen, *The New Security Agenda: Trends and Emerging Threats* (New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan, April 2017). Mr. Fonseca holds degrees in International Business and International Relations from Florida International University in Miami, Florida, and he has attended Sichuan University in Chengdu, China and National Defense University in Washington D.C. From 1997 to 2004, he served in the United States Marine Corps and facilitated the training of foreign military forces in both hostile theaters and during peacetime operations.

Nikoloz Esitashvili (PhD)

*Visiting Professor FIU
Department of Politics & International Relations
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Nikoloz Esitashvili is a visiting Professor at the Department of Politics & International Relations.

Edward Glab (PhD)

*Director
FIU Global Energy Security Forum*

Dr. Glab has a background in international business, education, media, and government service. He was with Exxon-Mobil for more than 25 years and held a variety of positions in public affairs, including political risk; government and community relations; new business development; media relations; corporate and marketing advertising, and emergency response, among others. Dr. Glab has a Ph.D. in political science and is currently is a professor of business and Co-director of the Global Energy Security Forum under the School of International and Public Affairs at FIU. He has consulted for USAID, U.S. intelligence agencies and the U.S. military in the area of political risk analysis, and has participated in high-level crisis management scenarios, as well as scenario building, for countries in Latin America, Asia, Africa and Europe. Dr. Glab also continues to talk about the energy business to a variety of audiences in the U.S. and overseas; he often is quoted in the media.

Melanie Goergmaier

PhD Student, Teaching & Research Assistant

University of Miami

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Department of International Studies

Melanie Goergmaier is a PhD. Student, Teaching and Research Assistant as well as Assistant Editor for the European Union Center at the University of Miami, Department of International Studies. Her specializations are International Relations and International Political Economy with a focus on European Union Studies.

She holds a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Elon University in North Carolina as well as a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from Catawba College in North Carolina.

Melanie Goergmaier was born and raised in Munich, Germany. As a European Union citizen, she has participated in numerous EU global study abroad programs in France, Australia, Jamaica (Hofstra University Campus), Costa Rica (Centro Pan Americano), Chile, and Argentina.

Ms. Goergmaier has experience working and teaching in higher education for 15 years.

David J. Kramer

FIU SIPA Senior Fellow

Florida International University

David J. Kramer joined Florida International University's Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs as a Senior Fellow in the Vaclav Havel Program for Human Rights and Diplomacy in May 2017. Before moving to Miami, Kramer had worked in Washington, DC for 24 years, most recently with The McCain Institute for International Leadership as Senior Director for Human Rights and Democracy. Before that, he served for four years as President of Freedom House. Prior to that, he was a Senior Transatlantic Fellow at the German Marshall Fund of the United States.

Kramer served eight years in the U.S. Department of State, including as Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor; Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs (responsible for Russia, Ukraine, Moldova and Belarus affairs as well as regional non-proliferation issues); Professional Staff Member in the Secretary's Office of Policy Planning; and Senior Advisor to the Undersecretary for Global Affairs. He also was Executive Director of the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy in Washington.

Before joining the U.S. Government, Kramer was a Senior Fellow at the Project for the New American Century; Associate Director of the Russian and Eurasian Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; and Assistant Director of Russian and Eurasian Studies at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, all in Washington. Kramer has been an Adjunct Professor at the Elliott School for International Affairs at The George Washington University. He also is a member of the board of directors of the Halifax International Security Forum and a Member of the Advisory Council for the George W. Bush Presidential Center's Human Freedom Project.

A native of Massachusetts, Kramer received his M.A. in Soviet studies from Harvard University and his B.A. in Soviet Studies and Political Science from Tufts University.

Annette LaRocco (PhD)

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Annette A. LaRocco is an assistant professor in the Department of Political Science at Florida Atlantic University, where she specializes in African and environmental politics. Her research focuses on the politics of biodiversity conservation in sub-Saharan Africa, as well as on the North-South interactions, such as multilateral aid provision, that feature in global environmental governance. Her approach considers biodiversity conservation as connected to the political processes of the international system, postcolonial statehood, and the political economy of development. She received her PhD in Politics and International Studies from the University of Cambridge in 2016. Prior to entering academia she worked in foreign policy research in Washington, D.C, with a focus on human rights issues in African conflict zones.

Maria Lorca Susino (PhD)

*Professor in Economics and International Studies
University of Miami*

I teach various levels of economics courses at the University of Miami for the Department of Economics and International Studies. Since 2005, I have been working, researching, and publishing under the umbrella of the European Union Center of Excellence at the University of Miami as an Associate Editor.

My academic background has allowed me to become an economic researcher and analyst which has helped me produce innovative academic work, take part in conferences, and participate in leading TV programs as economic commentator.

My research interests are in the areas of economics with a link to political events and social issues with special reference to the European Union (EU), unemployment, the euro, and the foreign exchange market. On this note, my research has four focuses. First, my research analyzes the evolution of the European political, economic, and monetary integration process. Second, I study the evolution of the euro and its implication for the Eurozone and the EU from a political, economic and social point of view.

Third, my research focuses on the role of the euro in the foreign exchange market vis-à-vis other currencies. Finally, my work assesses the implication of the European integration development in other countries mainly in Latin America where the integration process has stalled due to internal mistrust and external lack of support.

Robert Morgus

*Senior Policy Analyst, New America's Cybersecurity Initiative and International Security Program;
and Deputy Director FIU-New America C2B Partnership*

Robert Morgus is a senior policy analyst with New America's Cybersecurity Initiative and International Security program and the deputy director of the FIU-New America C2B Partnership. His current research focuses on mechanisms to counter the spread of offensive cyber capability, cybersecurity and international governance, and Russian internet doctrine. In the past, he has authored reports on international cybersecurity norms, internet governance, cybersecurity insurance, amongst others. Morgus has spoken about cybersecurity at a number of international forums including NATO's CyCon, the Global Conference on Cyberspace at The Hague, and Cy Fy 2015 in New Delhi, India. His research has been published and recognized by the *New York Times*, *Slate*, the IEEE, peer-reviewed academic journals, and numerous other national and international media outlets. Morgus serves as a member of the Research Advisory Network for the Global Commission on Internet Governance, as well as the Global Forum on Cyber Expertise, and has served as an expert advisor for the World Economic Forum.

Before joining New America, Morgus provided research and logistical assistance for a variety of organizations ranging from sustainable development firms to political action committees. Morgus received his BA with honors in diplomacy and world affairs from Occidental College in Los Angeles in 2013 where he focused on international security. While at Occidental, he was the recipient of the Young Fund Student Grant to conduct research on ethno-nationalism in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, and Serbia. His capstone thesis "Economic Shocks as a Catalyst for Instability: Conditions and Transmission Channels" was one of six honored by the college. He hails from Idaho.

Joaquín Roy (PhD)

Professor and Jean Monnet Chair “ad personam”

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Joaquín Roy (Lic. Law, University of Barcelona, 1966; Ph.D, Georgetown University, 1973), is Jean Monnet Chair and Director of the University of Miami European Union Center. He has published over 200 academic articles and reviews, and he is the author or editor of 40 books, among them *Cuba, the U.S. and the Helms-Burton Doctrine: International Reactions* (University of Florida Press, 2000), *The dollar and the euro* (Ashgate, 2007), *The Cuban Revolution (1959-2009): its relationship with Spain, the European Union and the United States* (New York: Palgrave/McMillan, 2009), *Lisbon Fado: The EU under reform* (Miami: EU Center, 2009), and *The State of the Union(s)* (Miami: EU Center, 2012), *The TTIP: The Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership between the European Union and the United States* (Jean Monnet Chair, 2014, <http://www.as.miami.edu/media/college-of-arts-and-sciences/content-assets/euc/docs/books/TTIP.pdf>), and *A New Atlantic Community: The EU, the US and Latin America*. Miami (EU Chair, 2015 <http://www.as.miami.edu/media/college-of-arts-and-sciences/content-assets/euc/docs/books/Atlantic2015.pdf>). He has also published over 1,600 columns and essays. He was awarded the *Encomienda* of the Order of Merit by King Juan Carlos of Spain.

Maggie Sadowska

Independent Researcher

Malgorzata 'Maggie' Sadowska is an independent researcher and founding advisory board member of FIU's European & Eurasian Studies Program. She is also a term member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and was an International Affairs Fellow in Japan. She obtained an MA in Strategic Security Studies from the National Defense University in Washington, DC with a specialization in cybersecurity and information technology.

Markus Thiel (PhD)

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Dr. Thiel's research interests are the political sociology of the EU and European (Union) Politics more generally, Nationalism & Identity (Politics) and Mixed Methods Research Methodology. He has published several EU-related articles and book chapters at the EU Center of Excellence as well as in *Transatlantic Monthly*, *International Studies Compendium*, *Journal of Human Rights*, *Perspectives on European Politics & Society* and the *Journal of European Integration*. He published *The Limits of Transnationalism: Collective Identities and EU Integration* (Palgrave, 2011) and also co-edited four volumes: one with Lisa Prügl on *Diversity and the European Union* (Palgrave, 2009), one with Roger Coate on *Identity politics in the Age of Globalization* (Lynne Rienner/First Forum Press, 2010), one with Rebecca Friedman on *European Identity and Culture: Narratives of Transnational Belonging* (Ashgate, 2012), and the latest one on *Sexual Politics in IR: how LGBTQ claims shape IR* (Routledge, 2015). His current project focuses on focuses on the promotion of rights policies through civil society based on the EU's Fundamental Rights Charter/Agency (forthcoming 2016).

He regularly teaches CPO 3103 Comparative (Western) European Politics, CPO 3104 EU Politics, INR 3214 International Relations of Europe, INR 3502 International Organizations and the European Studies Colloquium, as well as graduate courses on European/EU Politics, International Organization and Research Design in IR. In addition, Dr. Thiel is a director of the Miami Florida Jean Monnet Center of Excellence and of GSIPA's European & Eurasian Studies Initiative.

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Hannibal Travis teaches and conducts research in the fields of cyberlaw, intellectual property, antitrust, international and comparative law, and human rights. He joined FIU after several years practicing intellectual property and Internet law at O'Melveny & Myers in San Francisco, California, and at Debevoise & Plimpton in New York. He has also served as Visiting Associate Professor of Law at Villanova University, and a Visiting Fellow at Oxford. He graduated summa cum laude in philosophy from Washington University, where he was named to Phi Beta Kappa. He graduated magna cum laude from Harvard Law School, where he served as a member of the Harvard Journal of Law and Technology and the Harvard Human Rights Journal, and as a teaching assistant in Harvard College. After law school, Professor Travis clerked for the United States District Court in Los Angeles, California. Professor Travis has published articles on copyright, trademark, and antitrust law in the Berkeley Technology Law Journal, Hofstra Law Review, the Journal of the Copyright Society of the USA, Notre Dame Law Review, Pepperdine Law Review, University of Miami Law Review, Vanderbilt Journal of Entertainment and Technology Law, Virginia Journal of Law and Technology, and Yale Journal of Law and Technology. He has also published works on antitrust law, telecommunications law, and net neutrality in American University Law Review, Hofstra Law Review, and Santa Clara Law Review.