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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

The Principle of Solidarity in the European Union: Challenges and Opportunities



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College of Europe, Verversdijk 16, 8000 Brugge

European Political and Administrative Studies
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09:30 Registration and welcome coffee

10:00 Opening of the conference

Prof. Dr. Paul DEMARET, Rector of the College of Europe

10:15 Introduction

Prof. Dr. Jörg MONAR, Director of European Political and Administrative Studies, College of Europe

10:30 Solidarity as a constitutional and political principle of the European Union

Chair: **Prof. Dr. Dominik HANF**, Director of European General Studies and Professor of European Legal Studies, College of Europe

Prof. Dr. Jean-Paul JACQUÉ, University of Strasbourg / College of Europe
«*Le principe de solidarité, un principe juridique?*»

Mr. Yves BERTONCINI, Secretary general of the Think Tank «Notre Europe», Paris

«*La solidarité au sein de l'UE: fondements politiques*»

Prof. Dr. William PATERSON, OBE, Aston University
“*Solidarity versus Sovereignty - The British View*”

Discussant: **Dr. Thomas FISCHER**, Head of the Brussels Office of the Bertelsmann-Stiftung

12:30 Lunch

13:30 Policy areas I

Chair: **Prof. Dr. Michele CHANG**, European Political and Administrative Studies, College of Europe

Economic and Financial Solidarity: **Prof. Dr. Alain BUZELAY**, University of Nancy

«*La solidarité économique et financière en Europe: une valeur devenue précaire?*»

Energy Policy: **Matthew HULBERT**, Senior Researcher, Netherlands Institute of International Relations, Clingendael

“*The strange death of a diversified Europe*”

15:00 Key-note speech:

His Excellency Jerzy BUZEK, President of the European Parliament
“The Principle of Solidarity in the EU: Challenges and opportunities”

15:45 Coffee break

16:00 Policy areas II

Chair: **Prof. Dr. Jörg MONAR**, Director of European Political and Administrative Studies, College of Europe

Asylum and migration policy: **Dr. Yves PASCOUAU**, Senior Policy Analyst at the European Policy Centre, Brussels

«Principe de solidarité et politique migratoire»

Disaster management and responses to terrorist attacks: **Dr. Mark RHINARD**, Senior Research Fellow, Swedish Institute of International Affairs

“The application of the principle of solidarity to disaster management and terrorist attacks”

17:30 General discussion

18:00 End of conference