

*23-25 June 2025, Vrije Universiteit, Brussels*

**10TH CLEER  
SUMMER SCHOOL  
ON THE LAW OF EU  
EXTERNAL  
RELATIONS**



# THE PROGRAMME

**Venue: VUB Main Campus, Pleinlaan 2, 1050 Brussels**  
**Room: Learning Theatre at the Language and Innovation Centre**

**10.00 – 10.30**

**Registration**

**10.30 – 11.00**

**Opening**

*10th Summer School on the Law of EU External Relations : In the interregnum – EU External Relations Law in an Era of Geopolitics*  
*Introduction by CLEER Governing Board*

**11.00 – 12.30**

**Andrea Ott**

*Strengthening the EU's actorness in view of global developments – legal competences and external representation*

**12.30 – 14.00**

**Lunch break**

**14.00 – 15.30**

**Ramses Wessel**

*Increasing CFSP and CSDP Effectiveness in Times of External Challenges*

**15.30 – 16.00**

**Coffee/tea break**

**16.00 – 17.00**

**Elaine Fahey**

*Keynote: Mapping the constitutional contours of the EU as a Global Digital Actor*

**17.00 – 18.00**

**Reception and drinks**

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**09.30 – 11.00**

**Eva Kassoti**

*The EU and the Rules Based International Order: Territorial Disputes before the CJEU in an Era of Geopolitics*

**11.00 – 11.30**

**Coffee/tea break**

**11.30 – 13.00**

**Peter Van Elsuwege**

*EU enlargement as a geostrategic investment: legal and political challenges*

**13.00 – 14.00**

**Lunch break**

**14.00 – 15.30**

**Eleftheria Neframi**

*The external dimension of the European Green Deal*

**15.30 – 16.00**

**Coffee/tea break**

**16.00 – 17.30**

**Joris Larik**

*Weaponizing Market Power: EU Trade Policy in an Era of Trade Wars*

**17.30 – 18.30**

**Merijn Chamon**

*Mixed agreements: undermining EU autonomous action?*

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## EU External Relations: A Practitioner's Perspective

**9.30 - 11.00**

**Anders Neergaard**

*The European Parliament in EU external relations*

**11.00 - 11.30**

**Coffee/tea break**

**11.30 - 13.30**

**Antonios Antoniadis and Josephine Norris**

*Recent developments in EU external relations, Council and Commission perspectives*

**13.30 - 14.30**

**Lunch break**

**15.15 - 17.45**

**Lóránt Havas (EEAS)**

*Visit to the EEAS*

*Role of the EEAS in EU external relations*

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# SPEAKERS

- Dr. Antonios Antoniadis** *is member of the legal service of the Council of the European Union.*
- Prof. Merijn Chamon** *is professor of EU law at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel and Visiting Professor at the College of Europe (Bruges). He is member of the Governing Board of CLEER.*
- Prof. Peter Van Elsuwege** *is professor of EU law at Ghent University, and member of the governing board of CLEER.*
- Prof. Elaine Fahey** *is professor of EU Law at the City Law School, City St. Georges, University of London and Deputy Head of Department*
- Lóránt Havas** *is Deputy Head of Unit in the Legal Department of the European External Action Service (EEAS), Brussels.*
- Eva Kassoti** *is Senior Researcher in EU and International Law at the T.M.C. Asser Institute and the academic co-ordinator of the Centre for the Law of EU External Relations (CLEER)*
- Dr Joris Larik** *is Assistant Professor of Comparative, EU and International Law at Leiden University. He is member of the Governing Board of CLEER.*
- Anders Neergaard** *is Head of Unit in the Legal Service of the European Parliament.*
- Prof. Eleftheria Neframi** *is professor of European Union law at the University of Luxembourg. She is member of the Governing Board of CLEER.*
- Josephine Norris** *is member of the legal service of the European Commission.*
- Prof. Andrea Ott** *is professor of EU External Relations Law and Jean Monnet Chair in EU law at Maastricht University. She is member of the Governing Board of CLEER.*
- Prof. Ramses A. Wessel** *is Vice Dean of the Faculty of Law, Professor of European Law and Head of the European and Economic Law Department at the University of Groningen. He is member of the Governing Board of CLEER.*