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EU It Yourself: a Blueprint for a European Security Council

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There is currently an on-going debate about the possibility of creating a new European Security Council (ESC) within the EU. This is an old idea that has recently been resurrected by those seeking to transform the EU into a more effective international actor.

The current discussion of the issue was initially started by French President Emmanuel Macron during his 2017 presidential campaign. But since then it has been taken over by leading German politicians such as Chancellor Angel Merkel and Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer. The basic premise behind the idea is that the EU should have a new structure for strategic reflection and deliberation on foreign, security and defense policy, a forum that would not have seats for every EU member state.

The Martens Centre has the pleasure to invite you to an expert discussion about the ins and outs of ESC and its potential day-to-day operations. We'll also take this opportunity to present the recently published research paper by Dr. Niklas Novaky "EU it Yourself: a Blueprint for a European Security Council" from which this event takes its title.

PROGRAMME

16:00	Registration and welcome coffee
16:30	Welcome remarks: Tomi Huhtanen , Executive Director, Martens Centre
16:40	Discussion Prof. Sven Biscop , Director Europe in the World Programme, Egmont - Royal Institute for International Relations Dr. Niklas Nováky , Research Officer, Martens Centre Prof. Luis Simón , Research Professor, Institute for European Studies Moderated by: Anna Nalyvayko , Project Assistant, Martens Centre
17:30	Q&A
18:00	End of discussion and cocktail

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