

# Supervisors PhD European Studies

Name Supervisor	Main topics	Comments
Dr. Christine Arnold	Dynamics of European integration and public opinion; constitution-building process in the European Union; two-level models; joint policy-making and policy change; positioning of parties in policy space.	
Dr. Giselle Bosse	The European Neighbourhood Policy; the Eastern Partnership; EU relations with Belarus, Ukraine, Moldova and Armenia; the Ukraine conflict and reconciliation and peace building; EU democracy and human rights promotion and civil society support; critical/normative theory of EU foreign policy; advocacy/lobby groups and EU Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP).	
Dr. Hylke Dijkstra	European Foreign Policy; Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP); European External Action Service; North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO); United Nations Peacekeeping.	
Dr. Anna Herranz Surralles	Energy security, EU external energy policy, foreign energy investment, parliamentary dimension of foreign and security policies, European Neighbourhood Policy, theories and methods of discourse analysis.	
Prof. Valentina Mazzucato	Development economics (social capital, networks); Migration studies (transnationalism); anthropology (Africa).	
Prof. Christine Neuhold	Decision-making processes and institutions of the EU system of multi-level governance; the relationship of the European Parliament and national parliaments within the European Union; governance by committees.	
Dr. Gergana Noutcheva	EU enlargement policy; European neighbourhood policy; EU democracy promotion; democratization in Central and Eastern Europe, the Balkans and the post-Soviet countries, the EU and conflict resolution; contested statehood and EU actorness.	

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Prof. Klaartje Peters	Local and regional governance, (comparative) local politics in Europe.	
Prof. Hans Schmeets	Empirical quantitative research for the use of large scale databases.	
Prof. Sophie Vanhoonacker	EU administrative governance with a special emphasis on the role of the administrative level in the area of common foreign and security policy (CFSP); the European External Action service.	Currently not available for supervision
Prof. Esther Versluis	Policy analysis (with a main focus on transposition, compliance and enforcement problems within the EU); governance by European agencies; risk regulation; implementation of EU legislation.	

## Co-supervisors

Name co-supervisor	Main topics	Comments
Dr. Johan Adriaensen	EU trade policy, international political economy, regulatory governance, EU institutions, member states	
Dr. Iskander de Bruycker	Lobbying strategies and influence, interest group politics, EU public affairs, political communication, media & politics, social movements and protest, political representation, EU politicization.	
Dr. Assem Dandashly	Economic and Monetary Union; Political Economy of Central and Eastern Europe; European Neighbourhood Policy (focus on the Southern neighbours); and Democratization in the Middle East and North Africa.	
Dr. Ferenc Laczó	Modern and contemporary European history, Central and Eastern Europe, communism and post-communism.	

Name co-supervisor	Main topics	Comments
Dr. Petar Petrov	European Security and Defence Policy (ESDP); European Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP); Governance of the ESDP in the context of crisis management and conflict prevention operations; Institutionalisation of the CFSP and ESDP; EU-led military and civil-military operations.	
Dr. Yf Reykers	EU/European security and defence policy, with an institutional focus or a focus on legislative-executive relations	
Dr. Eli Sapir	Comparative political behaviour, in particular the interrelationships between citizens/voters, parties/political entrepreneurs, and media; public opinion and socio-demographics; regime transformation and democratization; survey methodology, broadly defined, quantitative research methods.	
Prof. Michael Shackleton	Union Politics; European Parliament; European elections; EU inter-institutional relations; EU and the role of the media.	
Dr. Aline Sierp	History of European Integration, Politics of History, Memory Studies, WWII, German and Italian post-war history, European Identity, European Citizenship.	
Dr. Aneta Spendzharova	Regulatory politics; financial sector regulation; international regulatory coordination; EU - USA comparisons in regulatory issues; international conditionality; politics of Central and Eastern Europe; EU law transposition and implementation.	
Dr. Paul Stephenson	Financial accountability (EU budget, European Court of Auditors/OLAF, evaluation and policy performance); EU institutions (European Commission, European Parliament); EU transport policy and trans-European networks (TENs); EU regional/cohesion policy and Structural Funds.	
Dr. Mariëlle Wijermars	Internet governance; Digital platforms; Digital policy; Digital sovereignty; Cybersecurity policy; Political communication; Media freedom	

