



# YOUNG SECURITY CONFERENCE 2020

## Munich Edition

### New European Union security roadmaps

14th – 16th February 2020, Munich, Germany

## CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

We cordially invite **Master students** from all disciplines, **PhD candidates**, **Post-Docs** and **young professionals** from around the world to present their work and proposals at this first edition of the YSC 2020. Our seminar connects young innovative thinkers with experts from policy & research in a discussion on the future of European security and defence.

The YSC is a unique initiative that stands out for its participatory and innovative character. The YSC will communicate before and during the official Munich Security Conference 2020 (MSC) with participants and experts from the MSC, in order to define the contents of the YSC seminars. The aim is to bring together young talents and experts for three days and to formulate concrete policy proposals on the future of European security and defence policy. Through the submission of policy papers, workshops, panels and innovative exchanges & techniques, the conference provides a perfect environment for sharing and discussing new ideas related to the new EU security roadmaps at all levels. In addition, the YSC will host special policy evening sessions with policy makers from all over Europe!

The **morning-session workshops** are dedicated to the “Young Professionals Core Group” (selected through this call for participation), to critically discuss diverse topics and to foster political innovation. Those workshops will be closed to the public and take place at the beautiful *Institut Français*, Munich.

The **afternoon- and evening sessions** will be organised in close cooperation with the *Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom* and the *Thomas-Dehler-Foundation* are open to the public. The Young Professionals Group will have the occasion to present their ideas, works and proposals during the afternoon sessions, to discuss and exchange with high ranked panellists and ‘academic advisors’.



## Do you fit in?

### You do, if you...

- are a **Master students** (all disciplines are welcome), **PhD candidate**, **Post-Doc** or **young professionals**,
- and... actively engaged **within EU Security/Defence matters**.

## Submission, grants & deadline

**Participants can apply for an accommodation and travel grant (maximum 400 euros).** Travel and accommodation must be organised independently. However, the organizers have a limited number of rooms in a hotel. The rule: First Come, First Served. Travel grants will be available. If you wish to make use of this, please indicate this in your application. Travels will be reimbursed after the event.

### Documents to be attached to the application:

- a CV that highlight your professional interests and passions
- a policy proposal on one of the following topics:
  - The future of EU's "hard security" after EU elections
  - European Security & Defense... and NATO?
  - Migration and border policies
  - EEAS and Neighbourhood Policies

Word limit: 500 words

Languages: French, German or English

Every submission will be evaluated by our scientific board.

**Applications has to be submitted via e-mail, before Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2020, midnight.**

**Send your application with the reference 'Application - YSC 2020' to [caroline.mina@europanova.eu](mailto:caroline.mina@europanova.eu).**

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## PROGRAM

- \* Morning Sessions: closed sessions for young professionals with experts, happening at the Institut Français.
- \* Afternoon Sessions: open public sessions with panels and workshops, at the Technische Universität.
- \* Evening Sessions: Saturday = open public; Sunday = closed session.

### Friday, 14.02.2020

Arrivals and networking cocktail

### Saturday, 15.02.2020

8h30 - 9h00 Opening and Introduction

9h00 – 10h30 Morning Session 1: **The future of EU's "hard security" after EU elections**

*10h30 – 10h45 Coffee break*

10h45 – 12h15 Morning Session 2: **European Security & Defense... and NATO ?**

*12h15 – 13h30 Lunchbreak*

14h00 – 15h30 Afternoon-Session 1: **EEAS and Neighbourhood Policies**

*15h30 – 16h00 Coffee Break*

16h00 – 18h00 Afternoon-Session 2: **Hybrid threats, migration and sustainable policies in Europe**

*18h00 – 19h30 Dinner*

19h30 – 21h00 Evening Session: **Exchanges with experts on current policy difficulties**

### Sunday, 16.02.2020

09h00 – 10h30 Morning Session 1: **Proposals: Migration and border policies**

*10h30 – 10h45 Coffee break*

10h45 – 12h15 Morning Session 2: **Proposals: New policy roadmaps for the EU**

*12h15 – 13h30 Lunchbreak*

14h00 – 15h30 Afternoon-Session 1: **Forum of ideas 2**

*15h30 – 16h00 Coffee break*

16h00 – 18h00 Afternoon-Session 2: **Presentations and discussions around the proposals of the participants**

18h00 – 19h30 Dinner

19h30 – 21h00 **Networking cocktail: Exchange with experts (current policy issues) and continuation of group works (closed session)**

### Monday, 17.02.2020

9h00 – 10h00 Feed-back and farewell

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