



Schader Stiftung

Expert Dialogue

The New Multilateralisms

Sept 30th and Oct 1th 2021
Schader-Forum in Darmstadt. Germany

The ‚New‘ multilateralisms: Trojan Horse or Last Chance for Global Order?

Multilateralism is the „life insurance policy“ (Maas) of the Federal Republic of Germany. But against the backdrop of a world order whose basic rules have been shaken, where new powers are rising and a lack of trust in old partners is evident, this form of cooperation is undergoing an acute stress test. The now proclaimed „further development of multilateralism“ (Merkel) not only challenges German foreign policy to rethink its strategic tools.

From a social science perspective, states are called upon to understand multilateralism in its historically evolved political-programmatic and political-practical contexts in order to identify new opportunities and new frameworks for multilateral action.

Can multilateral practices be adapted to generate sustainable and effective solutions in light of the changing international landscape?

The expert dialogue between Schader Foundation and the Chair of Political Science with a Focus on

German and European Foreign Policy at Goethe University Frankfurt will approach this challenge by analyzing the plethora of understandings of multilateralism that can no longer be denied. This will be done together with experts from different academic disciplines as well as in the focus of German, Russian, American and Chinese conceptions of multilateralism, which are representative of the new diversity of multilateralisms. In a world where everything that was once a rule has now become a negotiation, can competing and seemingly mutually exclusive multilateralisms be compatible?

This exchange among experts is part of the research project „Rethinking Multilateralism,“ which is being conducted by the Institute of Political Science at Goethe University Frankfurt. For more information on the project, please visit:

www.multilateralismus.com.

The event is not open to the public. If you are interested, please contact:

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Participation in the event is free of charge. The number of participants is limited.

Accommodation

In case you require accommodation, Darmstadt offers a variety of hotels in various price categories. Via <http://www.darmstadt-tourismus.de/besuch/uebernachten> you will find an overview of local arrangements as well as the opportunity to book your room directly. We recommend a reservation in a timely manner.

Arriving by public transport

To reach the Schader-Forum from the central station, please take tram 3 towards Lichtenbergschule to Goethestraße. The ride takes 15 minutes.

Arriving by car

Please note that the Schader-Forum does not offer private parking. There is only a limited amount of parking space nearby. Directions and a location plan are available at: <http://www.schader-stiftung.de/service/route>

Place of conference

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Donnerstag, 30. September 2021

- 15:30– 16:00 Uhr **Arrival Study Group**
- 16:00 – 16:15 Uhr **Address of Welcome**
Alexander Gemeinhardt, Schader-Foundation
Prof. Dr. Gunther Hellmann, Goethe University Frankfurt
- 16:15 – 17:45 Uhr **A Conversation**
Russian and American Multilateralisms
Alexy Gromyko, Institute of Europe of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow
Charles A. Kupchan, Georgetown University / Council on Foreign Relations
Moderation: *Liana Fix, Körber-Stiftung, Hamburg (TBC)*
- 17:45 – 18:00 Uhr Pause
- 18:00 – 19:15 Uhr **Dialogue-Café Study Group**
Multilateralism: Russian and American Perspectives
- ab 19:15 Uhr Dinner / starter
- Keynote**
The ‚New‘ multilateralisms: Trojan Horse or Last Chance for Global Order?
Prof. Dr. Armin Nassehi, Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich
- Dinner / main dish and dessert

Freitag, 1. Oktober 2021

- 9:00 – 9:15 Uhr **Welcome**
- 9:15 – 10:45 Uhr **A Conversation**
Present and Future of Multilateralism: Chinese Perspectives
Michael Kahn-Ackermann, Office Beijing, Mercator-Foundation / Translator von „The Tianxia System: An Introduction to the Philosophy of a World Institution“ of Tingyang Zhao
Yaqing QIN, China Foreign Affairs University, Beijing (TBC)
Moderation: *Prof. Dr. Nele Noesselt, Universität Duisburg-Essen (TBC)*
- 10:45 – 11:00 Uhr Pause
- 11:00 – 12:15 Uhr **Dialogue-Café Study Group**
Multilateralism: Chinese Perspectives
- 12:15 – 12:45 Uhr Lunch
- 12:45 Uhr End of Expert Dialogue