

Series of Guest Lectures on
**"The Impact of the pandemic on International Politics:
lessons, expectations, change"**

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"It is difficult to predict, especially the future" (Niels Bohr)... If in early January 2020 a security specialist or an International Relations scholar was called to make a prediction on the future of world politics, his/her attention would have been captured by the challenge represented by global terrorism or cyber insecurity, or the continuation of war in Syria, Yemen, Libya, etc. He or She would have probably speculated on the ability of our societies to develop resilience in front of challenges related to human-made external aggressions, economic crises or social unrest. Yet very few would have forecasted that the greatest challenge to politics and societies would have come from a virus. And yet, here we are, trying to understand what impact Covid_19 has made on our lives... This series of Guest Lectures aims to contribute to a collective reflection on how Covid_19 has impacted upon international politics, amplifying or changing existent trends within countries (Russia), international organizations (NATO and the EU), specific policy areas (migration, multilateralism, cybersecurity). The lectures are open to interested public and can be followed online at the Teams link indicated in the webpage of the course that hosts the lecture (Pan-European Security: <https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/course-unit-catalogue/course-unit/2020/433822>; Politica dell'Economia Internazionale (<https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/course-unit-catalogue/course-unit/2020/433799>); International Migration (<https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/course-unit-catalogue/course-unit/2020/458196>))

Guest lectures

10 March, 11-13 ***Migration and the pandemic: analysing interactions and gauging impacts*** - Dr. **Ferruccio Pastore** (Forum Internazionale ed Europeo di Ricerche sull'Immigrazione FIERI, Turin) - in the context of the Course Politics of International Migration.

15 March, 11-13 ***Italy's G20 Presidency and the post-pandemic global challenges***– Dr. **Ettore Greco** (Institute of International Affairs IAI, Rome) - in the context of the Course Politica dell'Economia Internazionale

17 March, 11-13 ***Borders, logistification of migrations and the Covid crisis*** – Dr. **Giorgio Grappi** (University of Bologna) - in the context of the Course Politics of International Migration

25 March, 11-13 ***COVID-19 and the global economic outlook***– Dr. **Andrea Goldstein** (Organizzazione per la Cooperazione e lo Sviluppo economico OCSE, Paris) - in the context of the Course Politica dell'Economia Internazionale

25 March, 13-15, ***NATO Facing Uncertain Times: Challenges and opportunities for NATO*** – Prof. **James Sperling** (Akron University, USA) - in the context of the Course of Pan-European Security

30 March 11.00-13.00, ***From Russia with Love". How the pandemic impacted Russian Foreign Policy***, Prof. **Mara Morini** (Genoa University), in the context of the Course of Pan-European Security

12 April 17-19, ***NATO at 2030: reflection on challenges, adaptability and skills***, **Dick Bedford**, Director Strategic Engagement & Issues (NATO, Allied Command Transformation), in the context of the Course of Pan-European Security

27 April 11-13 ***European strategic autonomy: what, why & how***, Dr. Riccardo Alcaro (IAI), in the Context of the Course of Pan-European Security

11 May, 11-13, ***The EU as a cyber security actor in a pandemic world*** – Prof. George Christou (Warwick University) - in the context of the Course of Pan-European Security

20 May, 13.00- 15.00 ***Information Manipulation and Post-Truth Politics: lessons for the pandemics*** – Prof. Serena Giusti (Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna) - in the context of the Course of Pan-European Security

25 May, 11-13, **Roundtable: The future of European security in a post-crises scenario** - in the context of the Course of Pan-European Security