



## Invitation

On the occasion of the Spanish Presidency of the Council of the EU,  
the Embassy of Spain in Athens and the  
Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP),  
would like to invite you to a panel discussion on:

### The Future of the EU: Institutional Challenges, External Action and Security and Defence Collaboration

The event will be held in **English**,  
on **Monday 16 October 2023**, at **09:30-13.30**,  
at the **Acropolis Museum - Auditorium "Dimitrios Pantermalis"**  
(Dionysiou Areopagitou 15, 11742 Athens)

**R.S.V.P. by October 11th**  
by filling in the **online form [here](#)** or at **events@eliamep.gr**

*Reservation is required*

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cooperation  
with:



Knowledge  
partners:



*The agenda of the event is available below.*



## The Future of the EU: Institutional Challenges, External Action and Security and Defence Collaboration

### AGENDA

#### Monday, October 16

9:30 – 10:00 Registration

10:00 – 10:30 Official Opening

Welcome:

**Carles Casajuana**, Ambassador of Spain to the Hellenic Republic

Introductory remarks:

**Loukas Tsoukalis**, President of the Board, ELIAMEP, Professor, Sciences Po, Paris; Professor Emeritus, University of Athens

**Irini Riga**, Ambassador, A10 Directorate for Common and Foreign Policy (CFSP), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Athens

10:30 – 12:00 Roundtable discussion

**Spyros Blavoukos**, Senior Research Fellow, Head of the Ariane Condellis Programme, ELIAMEP; Professor, Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB)

**Elena Lazarou**, Senior Research Fellow, ELIAMEP; Head, External Policies Unit, European Parliamentary Research Service (EPRS), European Parliament, Belgium

**Cristina Manzano**, Director for External Affairs, Ibero-American General Secretariat (SEGIB)

**Pol Morillas**, Director, Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB)

Moderator:

**Yannis Palaiologos**, Journalist, Kathimerini and Inside Story

12:00 – 12:30 Coffee Break

12:30 – 13:30 Prospects for closer Security and Defense Cooperation in the EU  
Q&A Discussion between panelists and the EU Youth Hub