

DIplomacy

PROGRAMME

DIPLOMATIC COMMUNICATION, DISINFORMATION & CONFLICT

04.12. - 05.12.2023

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Monday

17.00h

Arrival of participants at the AIA, optional tour of the Academy, brief opening remarks

Academy of International Affairs NRW, Rheinallee 24, 53173 Bonn

18.00h

“Disinformation in Diplomatic Communication: Can We Trust Diplomatic Communication on War?” (hybrid)

Informal chat with **Dmytro Shevchenko**, former Consul of Ukraine

[Online Participation](#)

20.00h

Dinner (by invitation only)

Bastei, Von-Sandt-Ufer 1, 53173 Bonn

05.12.2023

Tuesday

10.00h

Welcome Address

Manuel Becker, AIA NRW

Opening Remarks

Katharina McLarren, Max Planck Institute (AIA NRW fellow)

Juris Pupčēnoks, Marist College (AIA NRW fellow)

10.30h

Panel 1. Strategic Narratives and Conflict: Making Sense of Contemporary Conflicts through Diplomatic Language.

Ben O’Loughlin, Royal Holloway University London

Joanna Szostek, University of Glasgow

Carolijn van Noort, Aalborg University

Juris Pupčēnoks, Marist College (AIA NRW fellow)

Chair

Hendrik Ohnesorge, Universität Bonn

12.00h

Lunch (by invitation only)

Rheinzeit, Rheinallee 25c, 53173

14.00h

Panel 2. Religious Narratives in War: Role of Religion in Ukraine and Beyond

Hüseyin Çiçek University of Vienna (AIA NRW fellow)

Madlen Krüger, FEST Heidelberg

Cecilia Lynch, University of California, Irvine (AIA NRW fellow)

Nukhet Sandal, Ohio University

Chair

Katharina McLarren, Max Planck Institute Heidelberg (AIA NRW fellow)

05.12.2023

Tuesday

15.30h	Coffee Break
16.00h	Panel 3. Germany's Diplomatic Communication on Conflict (hybrid) Online Participation
	Conrad Häßler , Head of Strategic Communication, German Federal Foreign Office, Berlin Julian Plottka , Research Associate, University of Passau, and Universität Bonn Māris Andžāns , Director of Center for Geopolitical Studies, Riga; Associate Professor at Riga Stadins University (former AIA Fellow) Chair Katja Freistein , AIA NRW
17.30h	Closing Session Juris Pupčēnoks & Katharina McLarren
18.00h	Visit to the Christmas Market in Bonn (optional)