

## Session Program

11–12 Jun 2026



# 2026 European Security Studies Conference

## *Geopolitical Power Europe: A Reality Check in Western Balkans and Eastern Neighbourhood*

Stockholm University  
Frescativägen, 114 19 Stockholm, Sweden

## Friday 12 June

09:00

### Geopolitical Power Europe: A Reality Check in Western Balkans and Eastern Neighbourhood

Session | Location: Stockholm University, Frescativägen, 114 19 Stockholm, Sweden | Convener: Filip Ejodus

#### 09:00–09:10 EU's Ontological Security and Geopolitical Enlargement

**Speaker**

Nikolaos Tzifakis

#### 09:10–09:20

#### Geopoliticisation of EU Enlargement in the Western Balkans and Eastern Partnership: A Role-Theoretical Perspective

**Speakers**

Marko Kovačević, Milan Varda, Dr Tijana Rečević Krstić

#### 09:20–09:30

#### Filling the EU's Identity Void from Without and Within – Forging a Geopolitics of Values

**Speaker**

Kurt Bassuener

#### 09:30–09:40

#### From Normalisation to Strategic Stabilisation: Geopolitisation of the Pristina–Belgrade Dialogue within EU Enlargement

**Speakers**

Alexandra Prodromidou, Faye Ververidou, Filip Ejodus, Sonja Stojanovic Gajic

#### 09:40–10:15

#### 15 minutes of discussant comments and Q&A Session

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