

Spain and Poland: strategic partners in a Union in flux

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Elcano Royal Institute, Madrid

Agenda

9:15-9:30 Opening remarks

Charles Powell, Director, Elcano Royal Institute

Marcin Zaborowski, Director, PISM

Tomasz Arabski, Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to the Kingdom of Spain

9:30-10:10 Key-Note Session

Iñigo Méndez de Vigo, Secretary of State for European Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Spain

Rafał Trzaskowski, Secretary of State for European Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland

10:15-11:30 First Session: Looking ahead to the next political cycle in the EU

- The political future of the Union
- The post-crisis governance of the Eurozone
- What can Poland and Spain do together in the EU?

Speakers: **Ignacio Molina**, Senior Analyst for Europe, Elcano Royal Institute

Elżbieta Kaca, Senior Analyst, PISM

Moderator: **Charles Powell**, Director, Elcano Royal Institute

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12:00-13:30 Second Session: Security issues in a shared neighbourhood

- The new European security agenda after Ukraine
- EU responses to crises in the MENA region.

Speakers: **Félix Arteaga**, Senior Analyst for Security and Defence, Elcano Royal Institute
Katarzyna Rybka-Iwańska, Head of the Unit, Department of Foreign Policy Strategy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland
Haizam Amirah Fernández, Senior Analyst for Mediterranean and Arab world, Elcano Royal Institute

Moderator: **Marcin Zaborowski**, Director, PISM

13:30-14:30 Lunch

14:45-16:00 Third Session: The Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership

- TTIP as a tool to drive economic growth and create jobs
- The possible impact of TTIP on global economic governance
- An opportunity for Spanish and Polish SMEs?

Speakers: **Federico Steinberg**, Senior Analyst for Economy and International Trade, Elcano Royal Institute
Maya Rostowska, Senior Analyst for International Economic Relations and Global Affairs, PISM

Moderator: **Ignacio Molina**, Senior Analyst for Europe, Elcano Royal Institute

16:00 Concluding Remarks