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This is the third newsletter of the Jean Monnet Chair in EU Foreign Policy and the Western Balkans. It is published every six months, and it provides brief information about the Chair's activities.

## Workshop in Sarajevo

The *Jean Monnet Chair in EU Foreign Policy and the Western Balkans*, together with the *European Regional Master in Democracy and Human Rights in SEE*, co-organized a panel discussion titled **“The EU as a Geopolitical Actor in the Western Balkans: An Assessment.”** The event was held on February 12 at the University of Sarajevo. [Read more.](#)



## 5th Conference of the Department of Political Science and International Relations

Researchers from the Jean Monnet Chair presented papers at the **5th Conference of the Department of Political Science and International Relations**, held in Loutraki from December 15 to 17, 2023. [Read more](#)



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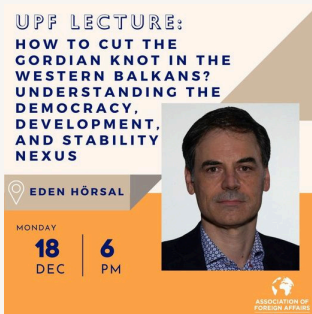
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## Outreach activities/News

*Nikolaos Tzifakis* was a speaker in a roundtable discussion on the **future of the EU's enlargement policy**, held on October 12, 2023. The event was organized by the Groupe d'Études Géopolitiques in collaboration with Sciences Po's Centre for European Studies and Comparative Politics. For more info see. [Read more.](#)



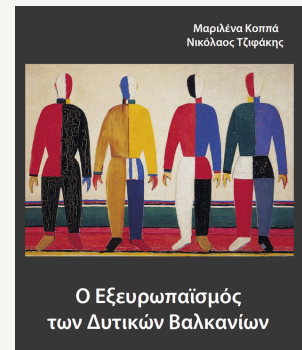
*Nikolaos Tzifakis* appeared on the BIEPAG Talks podcast to discuss the **green energy transition in the Western Balkans** and share insights from BIEPAG's regional survey. [Read more.](#)



*Nikolaos Tzifakis* delivered a guest lecture at the Association of Foreign Affairs of Lund on December 18, 2023. The lecture was titled "How to Cut the Gordian Knot in the Western Balkans? Understanding the Democracy, Development, and Stability Nexus." [Read more](#)



A policy paper co-authored by *Tena Prelec*, *Nikolaos Tzifakis*, and *Dimitar Bechev* on the **geopolitical aspects of the Western Balkans' green energy transition** was published by the Balkans in Europe Policy Advisory Group. [Read more.](#)



The book co-authored by *Nikolaos Tzifakis* and *Marilena Koppa* on the **Europeanization of the Western Balkans** was released by Kallipos Academic Editions. [Read more.](#)

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