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Invitation and Call for Papers

## German-Polish Scientific Conference

**The future role of the EU in the global economy - German and Polish perspectives**

**June 26, 2025**

**SGH Warsaw School of Economics**

### Organizers

- Department for Research on the German Economy at the World Economy Research Institute of the SGH Warsaw School of Economics
- German Polish Academic Forum at the SGH Warsaw School of Economics
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## **Background:**

For almost 20 years now, the European Union has been exposed to multiple crises, including the eurozone and migration crises, Brexit, the war in Ukraine, and an increasingly instable geopolitical environment. Simultaneously, the EU faces severe problems with its competitiveness. This has been highlighted in a report on the economic state of the EU issued by Mario Draghi on September 9, 2024, which outlined gloomy prospects for the EU without a change of course.

Against this background, the conference will discuss the most urgent challenges of the EU's economy and remedies to boost its competitiveness in an environment characterized by ongoing geopolitical tensions, uncertainties on the role of the USA under the presidency of Donald Trump and ecological challenges, which shake the old certainties of uninterrupted trade, offshoring, just-in-time logistics, historically low defence spending and cheap raw materials. It will do so mainly, but not exclusively, from Polish and German perspectives. Core areas of interest are the following issues:

- On the quest of competitiveness
- The future institutional framework of the EU
- Fiscal and monetary policy developments of the EU and Eurozone
- Geo-political and security challenges and their economic repercussions
- Trump administration and its impact on foreign trade and trade policy
- The role of Germany and Poland in the EU after the election
- The future of the Green Deal

## **Call for papers**

The conference seeks to foster meaningful dialogue and collaboration across disciplines, ideological perspectives, and backgrounds, focusing on advancing inquiry and impactful research. We therefore invite scholars from economics, political science and related disciplines as well as practitioners to participate in our debate on the future role of the EU in the global economy with or without presentation. We explicitly encourage contributions of different theoretical and methodological background as well as of interdisciplinary character.

## **Conference structure and language:**

The conference will feature a keynote address, moderated panel discussions, research presentations, and networking opportunities. The conference language is English.

The detailed program of the conference will be available in early June.

## **Organisational Information:**

1. Conference participation is free.
2. Please register your participation with or without presentation *online* until **June 8, 2025** via this [link](#).

**Program Committee:**

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