

# External Relations Policies of the European Union

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## Description

The aim of the BA course is to provide students with a general overview of EU external actions in English. Each student will be required to (I.) read the book chapters/articles and (II.) prepare a short presentation (15 min.) on a selected topic. Students are strongly encouraged to actively contribute to every session.

## Evaluation

Presence & Participation	Max. 10 p.	26-30 p. = 5
Two 'mini tests'	Max. 10 p.	22-24 p. = 4
Presentation	Max. 10 p.	19-21 p. = 3
		15-18 p. = 2
		/30 p.

## Class Outline

### THE NATURE OF EU FOREIGN POLICY

#### 1. Introduction

#### 2. The Nature of EU Foreign Policy

- Keukeleire, Stephan – Delreux, Tom (2014): *The Foreign Policy of the European Union*. Basingstoke, Palgrave Macmillan, 2nd edition, pp. 11-19.
- Title V of the Treaty on European Union and Part Five of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union

## EXTERNAL ACTIONS IN THE TREATY ON EUROPEAN UNION (TEU)

### **3. The Special (Legal) Nature of the Common Foreign and Security Policy**

- Eeckhout, Piet (2011): *EU External Relations Law*. Oxford, Oxford University Press, pp. 165-172.
- Cremona, Marise (2012): The Two (or Three) Treaty Solution: The New Treaty Structure of the EU, In: Bondi, Andrea – Eeckhout, Piet – Ripley, Stefanie (eds.): *EU Law after Lisbon*. Oxford, Oxford University Press, pp. 49-54

### **4. The Substantive and Institutional Framework of the Common Security and Defence Policy**

- Koutrakos, Panos (2013): *The EU Common Security and Defence Policy*. Oxford, Oxford University Press, pp. 57-78.

### **5. The European Neighbourhood Policy**

- Van Elsuwege, Peter – Petrox, Roman (2011): Article 8 TEU: Towards a New Generation of Agreements with the Neighbouring Countries of the European Union? *European Law Review*, 36(5), pp. 688-703.
- Van Elsuwege, Peter – Van der Loo, Guillaume (2017): Continuity and Change in the Legal Relations Between the EU and Its Neighbours: A Result of Path Dependency and Spill-over Effects. In: Bouris, Dimitris – Schumacher, Tobias (eds.): *The Revised European Neighbourhood Policy*, Basingstoke, Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 97-116.

## EXTERNAL ACTIONS IN THE TREATY ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE EUROPEAN UNION (TFEU)

### **6. The Common Commercial Policy: History, Theory and Exclusivity**

- Koutrakos, Panos (2015): *EU International Relations Law*. Oxford, Hart Publishing, 2nd edition, pp. 17-36.

### **7. Restrictive Measures (Sanctions)**

- Van Elsuwege, Peter (2011): The Adoption of 'Targeted Sanctions' and the Potential for Inter-institutional Litigation after Lisbon. *Journal of Contemporary European Research*, 7(4), pp. 488-499.
- Szép, Viktor (2018): Foreign Policy without Unilateral Alternatives? EU Member State Interests and the Imposition of Economic Sanctions. In: Varju, Márton (ed.), *Between Compliance and Particularism: Member State Interests and European Union Law* (Springer, forthcoming).

### **8. Development Policy**

- Van Vooren, Bart - Wessel, Ramses (2014): *EU External Relations Law*. Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, pp. 311-325.

## 9. Humanitarian Policy

- Versluys, Helen (2008): European Union Humanitarian Aid: Lifesaver or Political Tool? In: Orbie, Jan (ed.): *Europe's Global Role: External Policies of the European Union*, Aldershot, Ashgate, pp. 91-115.

## 10. International Agreements

- Eeckhout, Piet (2011): *EU External Relations Law*. Oxford, Oxford University Press, pp. 193-211.

## CURRENT CHALLENGES

### 11. The Crisis in Ukraine

- Kostanyan, Hrant - Remizov, Artem (2017): The Donbas Blockade: Another blow to the Minsk peace process, *CEPS Working Documents*, <https://www.ceps.eu/publications/donbas-blockade-another-blow-minsk-peace-process>

### 12. The Future of European Defence

- Biscop, Sven (2017): European Defence: What's in the CARDS for PESCO? *Egmont Security Policy Brief*, No 91. <http://www.egmontinstitute.be/content/uploads/2017/10/SPB91-Biscop.pdf?type=pdf>

### 13. Brexit

- Blockmans, Steven – Van der Loo, Guillaume (2017): Brexit: Towards an 'EFTA-like' dispute settlement mechanism, *CEPS Commentaries*, <https://www.ceps.eu/publications/brexit-towards-efta-dispute-settlement-mechanism>

## **Highly recommended readings for Hungarian students:**

Balázs, Péter (2016): *Az Európai Unió külpolitikája*. Budapest, Wolters Kluwer.

Simon, Zoltán (ed.): *Az Európai Unió a világban: Uniós külkapcsolatok a 21. században*. Budapest, L'Harmattan, 2017

Türke, András István – Besenyő, János – Wagner, Péter (eds.): *Magyarország és a CSDP: Magyar szerepvállalás az Európai Unió közös biztonság- és védelempolitikájában*, Budapest, Zrínyi Kiadó, 2016.