

**Strengthening Europe's cohesion.
German, French and Polish perspectives on a stronger cooperation within the
EU**

A Dialogue Forum at Heinrich Böll Foundation

Location: Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung, Schumannstraße 8, 10117 Berlin

Thursday, February 21st – Friday, February 22nd

Working Language: English

Programme

Chair and coordinator:

Nicolai von Ondarza, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin

February 21st

10.30 – 11.00

Arrival and coffee

11.00 – 12.00

Introduction

Towards a better mutual understanding

Welcome address by Ellen Ueberschär (10 min)

European policy challenges

Input: Reinhard Bütikofer (10 min)

What European policy challenges are we facing today? And what contribution can the German-Polish-French Commission make in the debate on the future of the EU?

Introduction of participants

One Minute-Self-Introductions

12.00 - 13.30

Prior to the European elections 2019

Which different European issues are Germany, France and Poland facing today?

Which European policy challenges are discussed respectively and where are the major lines of conflict between the different nations?

Perspectives (5 min): Agnieszka Cianciara (P), n.n (F), Kai-Olaf Lang (G)

13.30 - 14.30

Lunch

14.30 - 16.30

Differentiated integration and group formation

Experience with differentiated integration and the current state of discussion.

Input by Nicolai von Ondarza (10 min)

What attitude do France, Germany and Poland have towards differentiated integration?

What political will manifests itself behind these positions?

Where do you see advantages and disadvantages?

Perspectives (5 min): Jan Jakub Chromiec (P), X (F), Manuel Sarrazin (G)

16.30 – 17.00

Summary

Which are the possible areas of cooperation between Poland, France and Germany? How can the common scope of action be broadened?

18.00 – 19.30

Public Panel Discussion

With:

Agnieszka Cianciara, Deputy Director of the Institute of Political Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences

Wojtek Kalinowski, Co-Director, Institut Veblen

Kai-Olaf Lang, Senior Fellow at Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin

Chair: Nicola von Ondarza, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin

20.00

Dinner at Albrechtshof

Albrechtstraße 8, 10117 Berlin

Friday, February 22nd

9.30	Arrival and coffee
9.45 - 10.00	Welcome and summary of the discussions from the first day Nicolai von Ondarza
10.00 - 12.30	Security and Defense Policy <i>What are Germany's, France's and Poland's interests in this field? What political will and concerns do they represent? Which are the possible areas of conflict between these nations? How can the common scope of action be broadened?</i> Perspectives (5 min): Ryszarda Formuszewicz (P), n.n (F), Franziska Brantner (G)
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch
13.30 - 14.45	Asylum and refugee policy <i>What are Germany's, France's and Poland's interests in this field? What political will and concerns do they represent? Which are the possible areas of conflict between these nations? How can the common scope of action be broadened?</i> Perspectives (5 min): Wojciech Przybylski (P), n.n. (F), Kai-Olaf Lang (G),
14.45 - 15.15	Coffee Break
15.15 - 16.30	Eurozone / Economic and Monetary Union <i>What are Germany's, France's and Poland's interests in this field? What political will and concerns do they represent? Which are the possible areas of conflict between these nations? How can the common scope of action be broadened?</i> Perspectives (5 min): Sebastian Płóciennik (P), Wojtek Kalinowski (F), Lucas Guttenberg* (G)
16.30 - 17.00	Summary of the discussions Feedback and preview on the next meeting in June in Paris
End	