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NEWSLETTER

Parliament has appointed new members to the FIIA Board for 2015–2019. The Board, in turn, has appointed the Scientific Advisory Council for 2015–2017. FIIA is taking part in a research project on EU's Eastern Neighbours and Russia.

Board appointments

In its plenary session on 18 November, Parliament appointed the following people to the FIIA Board for the term beginning on 1 Jan 2015 and ending on 31 Dec 2019:

State Secretary for EU Affairs at the Prime Minister's Office **Kare Halonen**, Ambassador **René Nyberg**, Research Professor **Monica Tennberg** and Professors **Tarja Väyrynen**, **Ilkka Liikainen** and **Laura Kolbe**.

The terms of **Kimmo Kiljunen**, **Ilkka Suominen** and **Pirkko Mattila** will continue. The Board will elect its Chairman and Vice-Chairman in its meeting in January.

Scientific Advisory Council

The Board of the Institute has appointed a Scientific Advisory Council (SAC) for a three-year period between 2015 and 2017:

Professor **Michelle Cini** (University of Bristol), Professor **Julie Gilson** (University of Birmingham), Professor **Kristian Harpviken** (Director of Peace Research Institute Oslo), Professor **G. John Ikenberry** (Princeton University), Professor **Brigid Laffan** (European University Institute), Professor **Christian Lequesne** (SciencePo/CERI), Director **Volker Perthes** (Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, SWP), Professor **Nikolay Petrov** (Higher School of Economics Moscow), Judge **Allan Rosas** (EU Court of Justice), Professor **Jonas Tallberg** (University of Stockholm),



Maciej Popowski, Deputy Secretary General at the European External Action Service, addressed the audience at a seminar “The EU and Changing Security Policy Environment: The future prospects of the CSDP” on 27 November.

Director **Marcin Zaborowski** (Polish Institute of International Affairs).

The tasks of the SAC include offering advice on FIIA's research policy, the assessment of the quality and relevance of its research work, and the support of its international activities.

Eastern Neighbours and Russia

FIIA will participate in a project called “Eastern Neighbours and Russia: Close links with EU Citizens” (ENURC). The project aims to encourage citizens' interest and involvement in the EU's policy towards its Eastern Neighbours and Russia. It is a pan-European project coordinated by TEPSA (Trans European Policy Studies Association in Brussels) and in collaboration with FIIA, the German Institute for European Politics (IEP), the Romanian Centre for European Policies (CRPE), Latvian Institute of International Affairs (LIIA) and the Swedish Institute of International Affairs (UI). The project foresees

five events to take place in Berlin, Bucharest, Riga, Stockholm and Helsinki. The ENURC project is funded by the European Commission's Europe for Citizens Programme.

US Research Day

The Center for US Politics and Power (CUSPP) at FIIA will organize a US research day in Helsinki on Tuesday, February 24, 2015. The topic of the event is “Challenged Liberal World Order and Nordic-Baltic Security”. Proposals on both empirical and theoretical papers—addressing, e.g., current challenges to liberal world order, transatlantic relations, US foreign and domestic policy, Nordic-Baltic security and the US role in the region—are welcomed.

Security of Supply project

FIIA will launch a research project on international interdependencies and Finland's security of supply in February. The project is partly funded by the National Emergency Supply Agency.

The Finnish Institute of International Affairs is an independent research institute that produces high level research to support political decision-making and public debate both nationally and internationally

Staff news

EU Programme Director **Juha Jokela** will visit the European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS) in Paris from January until the end of March. Dr **Kristi Raik** will be the acting Programme Director during his absence. Dr **Marco Siddi** will join the research programme in early January. His main focus has been on historical and current perceptions of Russia in EU member states and how these affect European foreign policy toward Russia.

Dr **Michael Haltzel**, Senior Fellow at the Center for Transatlantic Relations of Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies, will join the FIIA Center for US Politics and Power in February for the rest of the year.

Dr **Antto Vihma** is a Visiting Scholar at MIT in Boston from December to the beginning of March

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and Dr **Bart Gaens** is visiting Osaka University as Associate Professor until mid-January.

The Finnish Journal of Foreign Affairs

Issue 4/2014 of the Journal was published in early December. It focused on wealth inequality and its implications for democracy. The journal also explored the motives and goals of rising powers, such as China and Brazil, and analysed **how Russia is deepening its sphere of influence by exerting pressure on Kyrgyzstan and its Central Asian neighbours.**

This issue introduces the Journal's new layout. The Journal now has a smaller page-size and a clearer division into current affairs, in-depth analyses, book reviews and discussion. The Journal can be read both as a printed journal and as an e-paper at Lehtiluukku.fi.

Recent publications

All FIIA publications can be downloaded from the [Institute's website](#).

FIIA Analysis

Not another Transnistria: How sustainable is separatism in Eastern Ukraine?

András Rácz, Arkady Moshes

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Antto Vihma

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Kristi Raik, Niklas Helwig, Juha Jokela

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