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Joint Conference

After the Elections in Germany and Italy: Perspectives and Tools to Relaunch the EU

Friday, March 16, 2017, 8:45 am – 3:30 pm

German Council on Foreign Relations, Rauchstr. 17, 10787 Berlin

AGENDA

8:15 am **Registration**

8:45 am **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Thorsten Klaußen

Chief Operating Officer and Director Strategic Partnerships,
German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP)

Michèle Auga

Head, Department for Western Europe and North America,
Friedrich-Ebert-Foundation (FES)

Franco Bruni

Vice-President of Italian Institute for International Political Studies (ISPI) and
Contributor to the ISPI Annual Report 2018

9.00 am **Introductions**

H.E. Pietro Benassi

Ambassador of the Italian Republic to the
Federal Republic of Germany

9:15 am

Panel I

**After the Vote in France, Germany and Italy:
A Window of Opportunity for European Reforms?**

Speakers:

Axel Schäfer, MP

SPD Parliamentary Group,
German Bundestag

Franco Bruni, ISPI

Almut Möller

Head of Berlin Office and Senior Policy Fellow,
European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR)

Chair:

Jana Puglierin

Head of the Alfred von Oppenheim Center for
European Policy Studies, DGAP



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10:45 am **Coffee Break**

11:15 am **Panel II**
Re-launching the EU as an Antidote to National-Populism?

Speakers: **Alberto Martinelli**
ISPI Senior Advisor and
Contributor to the ISPI Annual Report 2018

Eva Heidbreder
Professor for Multilevel Governance in Europe,
Otto von Guericke University of Magdeburg

Michael Bröning
Head of International Policy, FES

Chair: **Bernd Hüttemann**
General Secretary,
Europäische Bewegung Deutschland

12:45 pm **Lunch Break**

1:45 pm **Panel III**
Europe in the World – In Search for a Renewed Credibility

Speakers: **Antonio Villafranca**
ISPI Research Coordinator and
Co-Head of the Europe and Global Governance Centre

Jana Puglierin, DGAP

Chair: **Ernst Hillebrand, FES**

3:15 pm **Concluding Remarks**

Ernst Hillebrand

End of the Conference

We will take the opportunity also to present and discuss the ISPI 2018 Annual Report at the event. “*Big Powers are back. What about Europe?*” ([Click here to download the Report](#))