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### SESSION 1

**14h30**
- Europe’s chance to lead on Artificial Intelligence
- Climate & Trade: Time to look at it again?
- Will the U.S.-China trade war go global?
- Can Europe withstand US financial sanctions against Iran?
- Is the ECB finally returning to standard policies?
- Will #MeToo shake up Europe’s labour markets?
- Disinformation campaigns and the political participation of EU citizens
- What comes after “the Commission of the last chance”?
- Can the EU and Russia make up in their contested neighbourhood?
- Europe’s capital markets post-Brexit: A call for Union
- How to regulate ‘Unfair Trading Practices’ (UTPs)?

**15h45**
- Chill Out

### SESSION 2

**16h15**
- Digital and taxation: towards a global consensus?
- The European Battery Alliance: Industrial renaissance or a waste of money?
- Investment and national security: EU, US and China
- Europe’s anemic capital market: Do we need public finance support for investment?
- Rising inequality in Europe: Myth or reality?
- Countering depopulation
- E-vidence: A new tool to counter cross-border crime?
- What balance of forces in the next European Parliament?
- What should Europe’s role be in the reconstruction of Syria?
- The Future of UK-EU Trade Relations
- A sustainable CAP after Brexit and the Paris Agreement?

**Break**

**17h45**
- Networking Cocktail & Special Sessions

**19h00**
- How Europe can help stop corruption in the Western Balkans and Eastern neighbourhood (session with ENGAGE Fellows)
- Food for Thought: The Globotics Upheaval, Richard Baldwin
- Food for Thought: Europe’s “Hidden Treasures”: How should next Commission use them?

**19h30**
- Walking dinner
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### Breakfast Sessions
- **8h15**
- **9h00**

### Making Migration Regular
- **Breakfast Sessions**
- **8h15**
- **9h00**

### Technology and the future of work with MIT’s Nicholas Ashford

### When partners become opponents - Reality check on the EU’s relations to the Neighbours of its Neighbours: Russia, Turkey, Iran, Saudi Arabia

### Made in China 2025: Will it succeed in giving Beijing global economic leadership?

### Digital Economy, Regulation and Innovation
- **Energy**
- **Trade**
- **Finance**

### Economy
- **Social Europe**
- **Rights and Security**
- **Institutions**

### Europe in the World
- **UK & the EU**
- **EconPol**

### SESSION 3
- **9h15**
- **10h30**

### Can Europe defend itself from cyber-hacks and deep fakes?

### Can Europe return to low electricity prices again?

### Completing the Banking Union: A never-ending story?

### How to revive European productivity growth?

### Is social Europe working?

### Heroes or criminals? A crackdown on civil society assistance to asylum seekers

### How to increase citizens’ participation in Europe?

### A new role for the EU in the Mediterranean?

### Can we trust each other?

### EU-UK security & criminal justice cooperation after Brexit

### Convergence and stabilisation in the Eurozone

### Chill Out
- **10h30**
- **11h00**

### PRIME TALKS
- **Post Brexit EU Budget: Will it fit the challenges of the 21st century?**
- **Three years after the refugee crisis: Have Europe’s priorities shifted?**
- **Explaining the new politics of Central and Eastern Europe**
- **Are transatlantic divisions passing or fatal?**
- **Protecting the Rule of Law: What’s in the EU arsenal?**
- **EU-Africa migration partnerships: What balance between migration management and economic development?**

### 12h30
- **13h30**

### Food Lab

### 2nd Plenary: Towards a Europe of values at the Sibiu Summit?

### 14h45
- **16h15**

### Academic Lecture: The populist temptation - Economic grievance and political reaction in the modern era

**Barry Eichengreen, University of California, Berkeley**