



SEMINAR INVITATION

The Hanns Seidel Foundation, the Institute for Security Studies and the Center for Strategic & International Studies cordially invite you to an online seminar on

New Transatlantic Partnership Perspectives with Africa

Date: Tuesday, 4 May 2021

Time: 17:00 – 18:30 (SAST)

With both the European Union and the United States recalibrating their policies towards Africa we would like to discuss with experts from Africa, the US, and the EU if a new transatlantic Partnership between Europe and the US can also contribute to an even stronger relation with the African continent. Rebuilding relationships will require patience, persistence, and an openness to break from past practices. US President Biden, German Chancellor Merkel, and French President Macron underlined during the recent Munich Security Conference the importance of a sustainable partnership with Africa. Chancellor Merkel suggested that: “(...) the relationship with Africa is of strategic importance and should also play an important role in the transatlantic partnership”. Various concepts and approaches are under discussion on both sides of the Atlantic. What does this mean for the African Union and her member states? To what extent do the new policies towards Africa create challenges and opportunities for collaboration? What are current African priorities and how do they match with US and EU current strategies?

WELCOME REMARKS & MODERATION:



Otilia Anna Maunganidze, Head of Special Projects, Institute for Security Studies, Pretoria, South Africa

SPEAKERS:



Dr Jakkie Cilliers, Head of African Futures and Innovation, Institute for Security Studies, Pretoria, South Africa

► *The Impact of COVID-19 in Africa: African priorities and global competition*



Judd Devermont, Director, Africa Program, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, United States

► *Breaking Bad Habits: A new US policy towards Africa*



Bernard Quintin, Deputy Managing Director for Africa, European External Action Service, Brussels, Belgium

► *Opportunities and challenges for EU-USA cooperation on African affairs*

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