

4th Clingendael-Elcano Roundtable

Spain, the Netherlands and Europe's new geopolitical reality

The Hague, 19 — 20 October 2022

Organised in partnership with the Foreign Ministries of the Netherlands and Spain

All discussions will take place under the 'Chatham House Rule'. Participation is by invitation only.

19 October **Venue: Residence of the Embassy of Spain, Lange Voorhout 38, The Hague**

20:30 - 22:30 Reception and Conference dinner: "Can Europe weather the storm?"

Hosted by H.E. Consuelo Femenía Guardiola, Ambassador of Spain to the Netherlands

20 October **Venue: Clingendael Institute, Clingendael 7, The Hague**

8:30 Doors open, coffee and tea

9:00 Welcome and Introductory remarks

9:15 - 10:15 Panel I: Reducing European dependencies (18 months after the *Spain-Netherlands non-paper on strategic autonomy while preserving an open economy*)

- Guillermo Ardizzone, Director General for Foreign and Security Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Spain
- Frederik Wisselink, Energy Envoy, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy of the Netherlands
- Heleen Bakker, Director of the Department for European and International Affairs, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy of the Netherlands
- Rem Korteweg, Senior Research Fellow, Clingendael Institute
- Ignacio Molina, Senior Analyst, Elcano Royal Institute

Moderator: Louise van Schaik, Head of the EU & Global Affairs Unit, Clingendael Institute

10:30 - 11:30 Panel II: Getting to convergence in the Eurozone (six months after the *Joint paper by Spain and The Netherlands on priority issues in 2022 on the EU's economic and financial policy agenda*)

- Miguel Otero-Iglesias, Senior Analyst, Elcano Royal Institute
- Adriaan Schout, Senior Research Fellow, Clingendael Institute
- Enrique Ruiz de Villa Saiz, Deputy Director General for Economic and Financial Affairs of the EU, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Digital Transformation of Spain
- Tim Legierse, Head of the European Union Department at the Directorate for Foreign Financial Relations, Ministry of Finance of the Netherlands

Moderator: Charles Powell, Director, Elcano Royal Institute

11:45 - 12:00 Session with H.E. Wopke Hoekstra, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands and H.E. José Manuel Albares Bueno, Minister for Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Spain

12:00 - 13:15 Family picture, followed by lunch

13:30 - 14:30 Panel III: The impact of the war on European security and defence

- Daniel Fiott, Non-Resident Fellow, Elcano Royal Institute
- Dick Zandee, Head of the Security Unit, Clingendael Institute
- Joost Flamand, Director of the Security Policy Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands
- Sander van der Sluis, Head of the European Affairs Division at the Department for International Affairs, Ministry of Defence of the Netherlands
- Carlota García Encina, Senior Analyst, Elcano Royal Institute

Moderator: Bob Deen, Coordinator Russia and Eastern Europe Centre, Clingendael Institute

14:30 - 15:30 Panel IV: The impact of the war on Europe's ability to shelter refugees

- Nils Coleman, Special Envoy for Ukrainian Displaced Persons, Ministry of Justice and Security of the Netherlands
- Sjoerd Warmerdam, Programme-Director Ukraine Crisis, Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment of the Netherlands
- Anastasia Herranz Lespagnol, Analyst, Department of National Security, Office of the Prime Minister of Spain
- Myrthe Wijnkoop, Research Associate, Clingendael Institute
- Raquel García, Analyst, Elcano Royal Institute

Moderator: Monika Sie Dhian Ho, General Director, Clingendael Institute

15:30 - 16:00 Closing plenary reflections