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EU Finalité Conceptions After Brexit A Comparison of German and Polish Parties

Online panel discussion (via Zoom)

Monday, 30 May 2022, 18:00 - 20:00

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Debates on the future of the European Union gained new momentum in the course of Brexit. While proposals ranged from further deepening to partial disintegration, the British case also demonstrated how continuous differentiation may eventually lead to a member state's full disintegration.

Against this backdrop, German-Polish relations could develop into a *prima facie* example of bilateral relations in times of an increasingly differentiated European Union with disparant speeds of integration. Germany is the most populous among *fully* integrated EU member states with a government calling for a United States of Europe. In contrast, Poland is by now the biggest *partially* integrated member state having not yet joined the Eurozone with a government often calling for national sovereignty in future European integration.

In the online panel discussion we compare the EU finalité conceptions of German and Polish parties in order to debate their implications for bilateral relations and its prospects for European integration.

Programme

18:00 - Introduction

Prof. Ireneusz P. Karolewski, University of Leipzig & Prof. Robert Grzeszczak, University of Warsaw

18:15 - Research report: EU finalité notions in Germany and Poland Dr. Thomas Mehlhausen, University of Leipzig & Adrian Wagstyl, University of Warsaw

> 18:45 - Comments Prof. Zbigniew Czachór (UAM Poznań) Prof. Jarosław Jańczak (UAM Poznań) Prof. Beata Przybylska-Maszner (UAM Poznań)

> > 19:15 - Discussion