

EWIS 2019 - Pushing the envelope of European sanctions

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Call for Papers

The workshop invites contributions developing four key fields of scholarship on European, as well as other sanctions. The workshop will aim to explore new approaches broadening our understanding of sanctioning design and practice.

Firstly, the **balancing act between targeted sanctions and more comprehensive applications**, and perhaps more importantly, the design and purpose of targeted sanctions are a central feature of current debates. The global or regional policing capability and norm-promotion of targeted sanctions introduces new tensions into an already contested arena and is one of the areas that can benefit most from developed scholarship on the resulting issues.

Secondly, **the position and relations of EU sanctions among other EU foreign policy instruments**. Whether perceived internally or externally, the use of sanctions is inherently a part of more comprehensive approaches to the addressed targets and as such is part of an overall strategy. The interaction of various applied instruments from communication strategies, diplomatic engagement on the part of the EEAS or key member states, through conflict mediations, and indeed economic policies presents a broadly under-investigated field.

Thirdly, the **interaction between individual international actors coordinating and contesting each other's sanction regimes**. While coordination seems to be at an all-time high, the process and specificity of styles has yet to be thoroughly investigated. Conversely, the inevitable bout between major partners over the issue of extraterritoriality requires novel approaches, which are still to be discovered and successfully implemented into practice.

Lastly, the attention garnered by international sanctions of late has yet to be examined from the perspective of the constituencies involved. Far too few tools are available to **improve our understanding of the perception of sanctions at home and abroad** (whether among onlookers, targets, or potential targets) – both potentially impacting heavily on the design and implementation of this instrument by the EU.

Alongside these priority areas, the call **also invites contributions focusing on the following questions:**

- Sanctions in global governance and policing
- The use of sanctions in mediation and negotiation
- New methods of ascertaining effectiveness and success
- The spread of best-practices and institutional learning among senders
- Sanctions interaction with the interruption of incentive provisions
- Sanctions regimes of non-western actors (particularly China, Russia, Middle East and Latin American states)
- Sanctions implementation by non-state actors
- Critical security perspectives on sanctions design and use