



The Academic Forum of the New University: Impact of Covid 19 on EU Future Defense Expenditure







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Dear Colleagues and Friends of the New University,

you are cordially invited to the Academic Forum of the New University dedicated to the *Impact of Covid 19 on EU Future Defense Expenditure*. The Forum, which takes place within the research project on the 'Integral theory on the future of the EU', is supported by the Slovenian Research Agency.

The academic forum »Impact of Covid 19 on EU Future Defense Expenditure«, will focus on the EU's future Common Security and Defense Policy. Within this, the focus will be on the defense expenditure of the EU and the Member States in the future, given the current COVID 19 situation. In recent years, EU Member States have sought to increase defense spending also due to relations with NATO and, above all, due to changed security circumstances. The pandemic will affect several areas of society, health, economy.

How will all this affect Member States' defense budgets and the EU security in the future? Should there be more EU's Common Security and Defense Policy in the future, less or should it stay as it is?

The Forum, hosted by Liliana Brožič, PhD, will feature a panel of distinguished speakers:

- Boris Rutar, PhD, Ministry of Defence, Ljubljana,
- Olivera Injac, PhD, Ministry of Defense, Montenegro,
- Thomas-Durel Young, PhD, Center for Civil-military relations, Monterey.

The event will be held in English and will take place on Tuesday, 8 December 2020, at 15:00 (CET) via Zoom application.

We kindly ask you to confirm your attendance no later than Monday, **7 December 2020** at e-mail address: <u>pr@nova-uni.si.</u>

On the day of the event you will receive a link to a Zoom meeting.

Yours sincerely,

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