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THE EUROPEAN UNION AS A GLOBAL ACTOR

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The European Union is a major player in the complex regional and global contexts of the post-Cold War years. There has been considerable discussion on the ends and means chosen by the European Union to exercise influence in world affairs in the recent past and the present day.

In this lecture, Laila Fraivalds will draw from examples of successful foreign policy and security actions to outline the principles, form and nature of the European Union external policy response to the challenges and opportunities it faces in the early 21st Century.



Laila Fraivalds has been the Foreign Minister of Sweden since 2003. Prior to that she has twice been Minister for Justice, the Director General of the National Board for Consumer Policies and Consumer Ombudsman, and Director of Swedish Performing Arts.

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