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A Toothless Tiger Growing Up: EU's Security and Defense Revised

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This talk will explore the unique character of the EU as a global security actor: How is Europe evolving as a diplomatic, security and defense actor? How is the transatlantic relationship evolving in this context? And what are the consequences of Europe's global footprint? Europe disposes of an increased potential to draw on the full range of its diplomatic, civil and military toolbox to address today's forms of crisis such as hybrid threats or international terrorism. Hereby, compared to NATO, EU's foreign security and defense policy is unique and goes beyond the approach of a military alliance.

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