Industrial Policy and European Economic Law: Responding to Geopolitical Challenges

MaCCI Law and Economics Conference

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PROGRAM	THURSDAY, 12 November 2026
13:15 – 13.40	**ARRIVAL, REGISTRATION, WELCOME COFFEE**
13:40 – 14:00	**WELCOME ADDRESS** **Thomas Fetzer** (University of Mannheim and MaCCI) **Achim Wambach** (ZEW, University of Mannheim, and MaCCI)
14:00 – 14:30	**INTRODUCTION** **Jens-Uwe Franck** (University of Mannheim and MaCCI) **Bernhard Ganglmair** (University of Mannheim, ZEW, and MaCCI) **Michael W. Müller** (University of Mannheim)
14:30 – 16:00	**Panel I: Economic Resilience und Security** **Katharina Erhardt** (Kiel Institute, DICE Duesseldorf) **Machiko Kanetake** (University of Amsterdam) **Thomas Lübbig** (Freshfields Berlin) Moderator: **Oliver Budzinski** (TU Ilmenau)
16:00 – 16:30	**COFFEE BREAK**
16:30 – 17:30	**Panel II: Climate und Sustainability** **Aura Iurascu** (Hasselt University) **Elisa Rottner** (London School of Economics) **Jens-Peter Schmidt** (Noerr, Brussels) Moderator: **Philipp Richter** (Univ. of Mannheim / Univ. of Würzburg)

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17:30 – 19:00	**KEYNOTE LECTURE (1): LAW** **Pablo Ibáñez Colomo** (London School of Economics) Chair: **Jens-Uwe Franck** (University of Mannheim)
19:30	**CONFERENCE DINNER** (speakers only)

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09:00 – 10:30	**Panel III: Defence** **Caroline Buts** (Vrije Universiteit Brussel) **Marco Corradi** (ESSEC Business School) **Elisabetta Manunza** (Utrecht University) Moderator: **Johannes Binder** (Kiel Institute)
10:30 – 11:00	**COFFEE BREAK**
11:00 – 12:30	**Panel IV: Digital Sovereignty** **Marc Bourreau** (Telecom Paris and CREST) **Thomas Höppner** (Geradin Partners, Berlin) **Sarah Schoenmaekers** (Maastricht University) Moderator: **Pencho Kuzev** (KAS Berlin)
12:30 – 13:30	**KEYNOTE LECTURE (2): ECONOMICS** **Dalia Marin** (TU Munich) Chair: **Achim Wambach** (ZEW)
13:30 – 14:30	**LUNCH**

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