

Workshop: "The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and its impact on Human Rights compliance along the 'New Silk Road'"

We are pleased to announce our next workshop

The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and its impact on Human Rights compliance along the 'New Silk Road'

Monday 16 May 2022 9:00-17:00 CET, hybrid

To register please, click [here](#) or the button at the end of this invitation.

The workshop will take place in English.

China's New Silk Road Initiative (Belt and Road Initiative, BRI) has been spinning its logistical and infrastructural web around the world since 2013. Massive infrastructural investments in tracks and roads as well as in the agricultural and energy sector and logistical centres were made in over 50 countries in Eurasia. BRI is a central component of Chinese investment policies across the Eurasian continent and has been largely affected and interrupted by the current war in Ukraine, too.

Overall, China's involvement and programs affected core public policy areas in over 100 countries in the world, and hence human rights and governance. It has a transformative impact in various directions, triggering on the one hand social movements, sometimes protests and on the other, consolidating autocratic regimes and suppression.

Almost a decade after the official launch of BRI, this 2nd workshop will assess the BRI's political and social implications across the heartland of Eurasia between Europe and China and discuss the impact of the BRI on a wide range of human rights-related topics.

The current programme with speakers and times will be announced is accessible [here](#).

The workshop is co-hosted by the [International Political Science Association](#) (IPSA RC 34), the [OSCE Academy in Bishkek](#), the [Center on Governance through Human Rights](#), and the Maecenata Foundations's [MENA Study Centre](#).

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