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Challenges from GVCs Restructuring: **Towards a New Normal Trade Policy Scenario**

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Programme

The challenges facing Europe - from the pandemic to geo-political conflicts - demand a reorganisation of global value chains (GVC). What effects these restructuring processes will have on employment opportunities, the environment and European competitiveness remain unclear.

This conference will explore the critical drivers for a more secure and resilient Europe. Drawing on findings from the **TWIN SEEDS project**, the event aims to identify effective means to ensure that the EU reaps the benefits of GVC restructuring – without leaving anyone behind.

A diverse panel of policymakers, academics, and social partner representatives will address key questions such as:

- What are the effects of GVC restructuring on employment dynamics?
- Can Europe really achieve competitiveness through reshoring/restructuring?
- What would the impact of relaunching EU productive activities be on the environment?
- What are the future scenarios of a new normal trade policy?
- What are the income distributive effects of a new normal trade policy?

PROGRAMME

13.00-13.30	Registration	
13:30-13:40	Opening and welcome	Cinzia Alcidi, CEPS and Roberta Capello, Politecnico di Milano
13:40-14:10	Keynote Speech	The EU's place in the changing network of global supply chains Outi Slotboom, Director DG GROW
14:10-15:10	Insights from the TWIN SEEDS project	Challenges from GVCs restructuring Chair: Roberta Capello, Politecnico di Milano, Italy
		GVCs' Restructuring and Employment Dynamics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Laura Resmini, Bicocca University, Milan, Italy
		Environmental Challenges in GVCs' Restructuring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maria Cadarso Vecina, University of Castilla La Mancha, Spain
		Competitiveness through GVCs' restructuring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Torben Pedersen, Copenhagen Business School, Denmark
		New Trade Policy Scenarios: Europe and Tariffs War <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Michael Landesmann, wiiw, Austria
		New Trade Policy Scenarios: Regional Growth and Inequalities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roberta Capello, Politecnico di Milano, Italy
15:10-16:00	Policy Panel	Discussion Moderator: Cinzia Alcidi, CEPS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elizabeth Kuiper, Associate Director at the EPC and Head of Social Europe and Wellbeing Programme, EPC, Brussels Pierre Leturcq, Head of Programme, IEEP, Brussels Wolfgang Munch, Senior Expert, DG Regio, European Commission Josephine Norris, Member of the Legal Service WTO Law/ International Trade Law, European Commission Representative of the European Parliament

Location

CEPS, 1, Place du Congrès, Brussels. Please find information on the location [here](#).

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