**BISA European Security Working Group**

**‘European Security in an Era of Polycrisis’**

**Annual Workshop**

**Date: Fri 26th January 2024**

**Venue: University of Sheffield; also on-line**

(In-person (IP) or virtual (V) participation is indicated on the programme)

9.15-9.30 Welcome

9.30-11.00 Panel 1: European Security: Understanding ‘Crisis’

From Optimism to Skepticism: The Evolution of the European Political Order in the Era of Polycrisis

Jakob Dreyer, University of Copenhagen (V)

Crisis? What Crisis? The constructive nature of crises in European security

Baris Celik, Lewis Eves, Philip Mayne, Gregory Stiles, University of Sheffield (IP)

Religion, (dis)information and security: Examining religious actors’ impact on the Russia-Ukraine war

Precious Chatterje-Doody, The Open University (UK) (IP)

Europe’s Liberal Security Order: Crisis or/and Resilience?

Andrew Cottey, University College Cork (IP)

11.00-11.30 Coffee

11.30-1.00 Panel 2: Defence: NATO, the EU and Capabilities

NATO’s return to collective defence: the politics of allied military planning from Wales to Vilnius

Elie Perot, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (V)

The EU’s Competing Sociotechnical Imaginaries of Defence Innovation and Industry’

Jocelyn Mawdsley, Newcastle University (V)

Minilateral Security Cooperation as a Way of Ordering: The Case of NATO

Nele Marianne Ewers-Peters, Helmut-Schmidt-University

of the Federal Armed Forces (V)

The Capability-building of the Polycrisis Arrangement within the Institutional Context of EU – NATO Strategic Partnership

Peiran Wang, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (V)

1.00-2.00 Lunch

2.00-3.30 Panel 3: Strategy and Policy: Failure/Success

Root-causes of avoidable strategic surprises in foreign policy: Insights from a Double Comparison of Estimative Intelligence in European Foreign Policymaking

Christoph Meyer, King’s College London (V)

Has British Civil-Military Leadership Failed?

Simon J. Smith, Staffordshire University (IP) and

Thomas Crosbie, Royal Danish Defence College (V)

The war in Ukraine and EU strategy: rethinking normative power Europe

 Kamil Zwolski, University of Southampton (IP)

How is migration framed in security and defence policy? The EU’s response to migration in the Central Mediterranean

Baris Celik, University of Sheffield (IP), Simon Sweeney, University of York (IP) and Neil Winn, University of Leeds (IP)

3.30-3.45 Coffee

3.45-4.30 BISA European Security Working Group: Informal Discussion/Planning Meeting

Ideas and suggestions for BISA European Security Working Group activities, etc are much welcomed!