

Program Highlights and Learning Outcomes

- Develop the ability to apply the geopolitical analysis method in different case study situations;
- Assess the risks and opportunities entailed by geopolitical dynamics
- Construct geopolitical scenarios
- Integrate geopolitical factors and strategic foresight in decision-making processes.
- Enhance critical thinking to assess media coverage on international events.
- Participate actively in an interactive and nonconformist course
- Develop your professional networks and exchange views with course participants having different national, cultural and professional backgrounds.

Target group of participants: Individuals working for International Organizations and government agencies, diplomats, people working in various economic sectors, graduate students and other interested individuals.

The Geneva Institute of Geopolitical Studies (GIGS) offers different study programs in geopolitics and geoeconomics. The Institute undertakes research, provides expertise, publishes studies and organize conferences, symposiums and round table events in the fields of geopolitics and geoeconomics.

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This certificate course consists of three weekend seminars

- 1) The Essentials of Geopolitical Analysis

 Date: Friday 5 June- Saturday 6 June 2020
 - 2) Strategic Foresight and Geopolitical Scenario Building

Date: Friday 12 June - Saturday 13 June 2020

3) Part 1: Geostrategy: Means and Practices

Part 2: The Belt and Road Initiative in an Evolving Geopolitical Context

Date: Friday 19 June – Saturday 20 June 2020

Schedule: Friday evening 6:30 PM – 9 PM Saturday morning: 9:30 AM – 12:30PM Saturday afternoon: 2:30 PM- 5 PM

Language: English

Tuition fee: 1250 CHF Students 750 CHF

A Certificate in Geopolitical Analysis can be obtained upon completion of the course.

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LECTURERS

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Why Study Geopolitical Analysis and Strategic Foresight?

Contemporary international relations are characterized by an increasing complexity. The difficulty of apprehending the epoch in which we live in is due, among other factors, to the enlarged number of actors, rapid technological advances, geoeconomic rivalries, global power shift, identity conflicts, and the tensions caused by the contradictory processes of globalisation. As a result of this increased complexity, the capacity to carry out geopolitical analysis to examine the interactions between geographic, demographic, cultural, economic and strategic factors, alongside their relevant impacts on tensions, conflicts, trends and foreign policy decisions, becomes more relevant than ever in a wide variety of professional fields.

Strategic foresight, is the projection of a current situation into the future. It is rather impossible to precisely tell what shall happen in the future; however, different scenarios can be elaborated on as regards the possible impending evolutions of a given geopolitical condition. The objective of the strategic foresight in geopolitical analysis is to anticipate different situations that may occur in order to help decision making processes on different levels, ranging from political, economic, and diplomatic to military.