

2019 Annual Report of the Estonian Foreign Policy Institute (EFPI)

In 2019, research activities of the Estonian Foreign Policy Institute of the International Centre for Defence and Security (ICDS) expanded to cover three main topics: European (including EU and selected member states') foreign and security policy, Russia's foreign and security policy, and a third, new topic, China's foreign and security policy and its implications for Europe. Kristi Raik and Piret Kuusik continued to work on European foreign policy matters, while Russia-related topics were covered by James Sherr and two non-resident fellows, András Rácz and Anna Tiido. In May, a new junior fellow with strong expertise on China, Frank Jüris, joined EFPI. In addition to our own fellows, EFPI/ICDS projects engaged a number of external experts.

EFPI continued good cooperation with the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung and European Commission Representation in Estonia. A new partnership was launched with the European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR) that contributed to the EFPI/ICDS research project on Estonia's influence in the EU and co-organized seminars in Berlin and Warsaw. In the course of 2019, EFPI organized various events in Estonia and abroad, in cooperation with local partner institutes and/or representations of Estonia in Brussels, Berlin, Helsinki, Warsaw and Vilnius.

Highlights of the year:

- **EU-Russia interdependence.** The project launched in 2018 was successfully concluded with the publication of the book by Kristi Raik and András Rácz (eds.) [*Post-Crimea Shift in EU-Russia Relations: From Fostering Interdependence to Managing Vulnerabilities*](#). The volume includes chapters by internationally renowned experts such as James Sherr, Igor Gretskiy, Kadri Liik, Stefan Meister, Rein Tammsaar and others. Book launch events were held in Tallinn, Brussels, Berlin, Helsinki and Vilnius. The project was conducted in cooperation with the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung.
- **Estonia's image and influence in the EU.** ICDS/EFPI in cooperation with ECFR conducted a research project on Estonia's image and influence in the European Union, commissioned by the Government Office of Estonia. The initiator and partner of the project was the Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The study makes recommendations for strengthening Estonian foreign affairs services in EU matters in general, as well as in priority topics such as the common security and defence policy and the Eastern Partnership. The research group included Kristi Raik, Josef Janning (ECFR), Piret Kuusik, Rein Oidekivi and Kalev Stoicescu.
- **[The Russian Orthodox Church: Faith, Power & Conquest](#).** This report by James Sherr and Kaarel Kullamaa explores in depth the role of the Russian Orthodox Church in Russia's foreign policy, looking in particular at the cases of Ukraine and Estonia.

1. PUBLICATIONS

1.1. EFPI/ICDS PUBLICATIONS

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- "Estonian Parliamentary Election 2019: Open and Progressive Estonia Marches on", 05.03.2019, <https://icds.ee/estonian-parliamentary-election-2019-open-and-progressive-estonia-marches-on/>.
- "What Do the 2019 European Parliament Elections in Estonia Tell Us?", 30.05.2019, https://icds.ee/what-do-the-2019-european-parliament-elections-in-estonia-tell-us/?fbclid=IwAR2S_SHF_BnI2NxlckgufP08a4o_4hsvsCm3xb7K_93flm9CrP25rnthAl, (ilmus ka Estonian World'is).
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- "Estonia's Risky Political Experiment", 9.04.2019, <https://icds.ee/estonias-risky-political-experiment/>.
- "Same, but Different: Estonian and Russian Presidents Held a Historic meeting", 23.04.2019, <https://icds.ee/same-but-different-estonian-and-russian-presidents-held-a-historical-meeting/>.
- "Going global: Estonia becomes a member of the UN Security Council", 11.06.2019, <https://icds.ee/going-global-estonia-becomes-a-member-of-the-un-security-council/>.
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- "Nordic ideals of Estonia and Finland", 18.10.2019, <https://icds.ee/nordic-ideals-of-estonia-and-finland-a-longing-for-a-strong-leader-sets-finland-and-estonia-apart-from-scandinavia/>.
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- "A President Losing His Voice? Putin's Address to the Federal Assembly", 25.02.2019, <https://icds.ee/a-president-losing-his-voice-putins-address-to-the-federal-assembly/>.
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- "Asjakohane sissevaade viimase 30 aasta poliitikasse", Eiki Bergi raamatu arvustus, detsember 2019.

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- with Mickus, Justinas, "Report: Baltic Expert Assessment of Risks and Trends facing the Baltic Region in the Next Five Years", Vilnius Institute for Policy Analysis, https://efpi.icds.ee/report-baltic-expert-assessment-of-risks-and-trends-facing-the-baltic-region-in-the-next-five-years/?fbclid=IwAR0MpEkbtnCW_j-GQAIWICKcddsZlrXqbg6Gog9W9L3ilOopGFM6NfPBIRQ (7.11.2019).
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- "EU-Russia relations and security in the Baltic Sea region", EUREN Brief 6, EU-Russia Experts Network on Foreign Policy, <http://eu-russia-expertnetwork.eu/en/analytics/euren-brief-06>.
- "The Baltic states and security in the Baltic Sea region: Dark clouds in blue sky", BSR Policy Briefing 9/2019, Turku: Centrum Balticum, http://www.centrumbalticum.org/uutishuone/tietopankki/tietopankki/bsr_policy_briefing_9_2019.5975.news.
- "Estonia's Cold Conservative Spring", ECFR Commentary, 21.03.2019, https://www.ecfr.eu/article/commentary_estonias_cold_conservative_spring.
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- "Ukraine and the Black Sea Region: The Russian Military Perspective", in Stephen J Blank, ed., *The Russian Military in Contemporary Perspective*, Strategic Studies Institute, US Army War College.
- "Choice and Necessity: The Outlook for Brexit", Valdai Club, 18 March (in English and Russian).
- "Zelensky and Donbas: A New Game, But Is There a Strategy?" *The Riddle*, August (in English and Russian).
- "Zelensky and the War: Is His System Fit for Purpose?" *National Security & Defence*, Razumkov Centre, Kyiv, 2 October (in English and Ukrainian).

2. SEMINARS, CONFERENCES

2.1. EVENTS ORGANIZED BY EFPI/ICDS

- "The Nordic-Baltic Region in the EU27", Report launch with Gunilla Herolf, Justinas Mickus, Pauli Järvenpää, Piret Kuusik. Partner: Friedrich Ebert Foundation, 22.01.2019.
- "Russia's Hybrid Warfare: How Resilient Are We?", Roundtable seminar with Brian Whitmore, 11.03.2019, <https://efpi.icds.ee/brian-whitmore-cepa-we-need-to-look-at-the-whole-eco-system-of-russias-malign-influence-toolkit/>.
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- "The State of Play in Moldova after the elections", 28.03.2019, <https://efpi.icds.ee/the-state-of-play-in-moldova-shortcomings-of-democracy-tense-relations-with-the-eu-and-russias-hybrid-influence/>.
- "NATO-EU Roundtable 2019", main organizer Estonian Atlantic Treaty Association, Hilton Tallinn Park Hotel, 4.04.2019.
- "Exploring New Coalitions in the EU-27: Poland and Nordic-Baltic Cooperation", partners: European Council on Foreign Relations and embassy of Estonia in Warsaw, Warsaw, 17.04.2019, <https://efpi.icds.ee/exploring-new-coalitions-in-the-eu-27-poland-and-nordic-baltic-cooperation/>.
- Workshop on "Russia from a Euro-Atlantic Perspective", partner: NATO HQ SACT Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate, Strategic Foresight Branch, 26.04.2019, Tallinn.
- Conference "European Parliament Elections 2019: A Shake-Up of EU Politics?", partners: European Commission Representation in Estonia and Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA), Tallinn, Vabamu, 3.05.2019.
- "Post-Crimea Shift in EU-Russia Relations", book launch event in the margins of Lennart Meri Conference, 17.05.2019.
- "Political Interference Activities and Small States", closed roundtable discussion with Professor Anne-Marie Brady (University of Canterbury), 05.06.2019.

- “Post-Crimea Shift in EU-Russia Relations”, book launch event, partners: Estonian Permanent Representation to the EU and Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Brussels, 11.07.2019, <https://efpi.icds.ee/book-presentation-in-brussels-post-crimea-shift-in-eu-russia-relations/>.
- “Prospects for EU-China relations” closed roundtable discussion with Dr Fraser Cameron (EU-Asia Centre in Brussels), 31.07.2019.
- Arvamusfestival, Paide, 9-10.08.2019:
 - o “Kas Euroopast saab maailmapoliitikas tegija?” – Evelyn Kaldoja, Andres Kasekamp, Matti Maasikas, Raivo Vare, Kristi Raik.
 - o “Kuidas moos kommi sisse saab?” Vestlus Vivian Loonela ja Epp Ehandiga Euroopa Liidust, moderaator Piret Kuusik.
- “China-Europe relationship and 17+1 cooperation mechanism”, closed roundtable discussion with Professor Long Jing (Shanghai Institute of International Studies), 10.09.2019.
- “Estonia in the EU: Punching above its weight?”, workshop with ECFR, Berlin, 17.09.2019.
- “Engaging with Europe of Tomorrow” seminar series on topical matters in the EU, partner: Friedrich Ebert Foundation:
 - o “Rule of Law in the EU: Punishing or Preventing Possible Problems?” 25.09.2019, <https://efpi.icds.ee/rule-of-law-in-the-eu-punishing-or-preventing-possible-problems/>
 - o “The EU as a Trade Superpower: Distinguish Protectionism from Protection?”, 24.10.2019, <https://efpi.icds.ee/the-eu-as-a-trade-superpower-distinguish-protectionism-from-protection/>
 - o “Climate Change Policy of the EU: How to Reach Domestic Consensus and Global Leadership?”, 26.11.2019, <https://efpi.icds.ee/transition-to-a-cleaner-world-is-possible-but-it-will-be-difficult/>.
- “Post-Crimea Shift in EU-Russia Relations”, book presentation, partners: Embassy of Estonia in Berlin, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung & DGAP, 23.10.2019.
- “Democracies under pressure: a global opinion”, Roundtable Discussion with Thibault Muzergues (International Republican Institute), Yoko Alender, Tõnis Saarts. 9.10.2019, <https://efpi.icds.ee/democracies-under-pressure-from-increased-polarization-to-lack-of-trust-in-media-and-politicians/>.
- “Small States in Global Affairs: Possible Impact of Estonia”, main organizers Estonian Academy of Sciences and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 29.10.2019, [http://vodorigin.cdn.mind.ee/xlive/2019-10-29 ta hires.mp4?fbclid=IwAR0V7PLO_DiJLeJfhNe8ObGQ1YOVgvk0mHxaXLvgUei9ng2tY7Du93Sd9Ik](http://vodorigin.cdn.mind.ee/xlive/2019-10-29%20ta%20hires.mp4?fbclid=IwAR0V7PLO_DiJLeJfhNe8ObGQ1YOVgvk0mHxaXLvgUei9ng2tY7Du93Sd9Ik).
- “How to Reduce East-West Cleavages in the EU?” Roundtable Discussion with Heather Grabbe, 11.11.2019, <https://efpi.icds.ee/roundtable-discussion-with-heather-grabbe-how-to-reduce-east-west-cleavages-in-the-eu/>.
- “Post-Crimea Shift in EU-Russia Relations”, book launch event, partner: Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Vilnius, 15.11.2019.

- “The 11th German-Nordic Baltic Forum”, main organizer: Institut für Europäische Politik (Berlin), partner: Foreign Ministry of Estonia, Tallinn, 21-22.11.2019.

2.2. SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AT EXTERNAL EVENTS

Jüris, Frank, “Mapping China’s footprint in the world II: historical and contemporary interactions”, closed door research workshop organised by the Czech think tank Sinopsis, Prague, 12-13.07.2019.

- “Digital Silk Road in the Arctic”, presentation at a conference “Beyond Huawei: Europe’s adoption of PRC technology and its implications” organised by the Czech think tank Sinopsis, Prague, 27.11.2019, <https://sinopsis.cz/en/beyond-huawei-europes-adoption-of-prc-technology-and-its-implications/>.
- “Digitaalne Siiditee Arktikas”, Kõrgemad küberkaitse ja digiriigi kursused, Viinistu, 05.12.2019.

Kuusik, Piret, Moderator for a conversation with Thomas Greminger, Secretary-General of OSCE, Globsec Young Leaders Forum, Globsec 2019, Bratislava.

Raik, Kristi, “What Future for the EU's Eastern Partnership?”, Finnish Institute of International Affairs, Helsinki, 20.05.2019, <https://www.fiia.fi/en/event/what-future-for-the-eus-eastern-partnership-2>.

- “Baltic EU Conversations 2019”, Moderator, Riga, 5.04.2019.
- “The Eastern Partnership: Critical reflections on EU security and geopolitics”, Keynote speech at the Eastern Partnership Anniversary conference "Democracy promotion, economic governance and geopolitics: Where next for the EU's regional integration project with its eastern neighbours?", Maastricht University, Campus Brussels, 6-7.06.2019.
- “EU-Russia interdependence in the era of geostrategic tensions”, presentation at the Fourth Annual Tartu Conference on Russian and East European Studies, 9-11.06.2019.
- NATO ACT, SFA Regional Workshop on Russia from a Euro-Atlantic perspective, moderator of two sessions, Helsinki, 17-19.06.2019.
- Speaker at the workshop on “The Subregional Level”, 10th EUREN meeting “The EU, Russia and the future of European security”, Clingendael, The Hague, 4-5.07.2019, <http://eu-russia-expertnetwork.eu/en/meetings/2019-hague>.
- “Suomen huoltovarmuus, Baltian yhteydet ja geostrateginen kamppailu”, Finnish Institute of International Affairs, Helsinki, 10.09.2019, <https://www.fiia.fi/en/event/suomen-huoltovarmuus-baltian-yhteydet-ja-geostrateginen-kamppailu>.
- “Do we have to choose among Trump, Putin and Xi?” Panelist at ELIAMEP's European Seminar, Nafplio, Greece, 12-14.09.2019, <http://europeanseminars.eliamep.gr/european-seminar-nafplio-2019/programme-european-seminar-nafplio-2019/>.

- "Ülevaade Eesti Välispoliitika Instituudi tegevusest ja uurimissuundadest", Kristi Raik & Frank Jüris, Riigikogu Väliskomisjon, 26.09.2019.
- "Suomi ja Viro: mikä meitä ulkopoliitikassa yhdistää, mikä erottaa", Helsingin Suomalainen Klubi, 3.10.2019 (vt Klubilehti 3/2019, lk.14-15, http://www.klubi.fi/www/Klubilehti_3_19_nettiin_V3.pdf).
- "The Security and Defence of Small European States", keynote speech, Institute of International & European Affairs, Dublin, 4.11.2019.
- "Viron ulkopoliitikka ja Venäjän-suhteet", lecture at the University of Helsinki, 19.11.2019.
- "Europe's possibilities to forge multilateralism", Finnish Institute of International Affairs, Helsinki, 11.12.2019, <https://www.fiia.fi/en/event/europes-possibilities-to-forge-multilateralism>.

Sherr, James, "Ukraine prognosis", Georgetown School of Foreign Service, Washington, 29.01.2019.

- Baltic Defence College, Lectures to Senior Course on UK & Russia; UK & Baltic Defence, 12.02.2019.
- Geneva Centre for Security Policy, presentation on Ukraine, 19.02.2019.
- UK MOD, Briefing on Russia-Ukraine conflict, 25.02.2019.
- UK FCO, Briefing and discussion with HMA RF and Ukraine, 25.02.2019.
- 'Political Capital' Foundation & British Embassy, Budapest, presentation on "Understanding Russia", 27.02.2019.
- Baltic Defence College, NATO at 70 Conference, Presentation on Black Sea region security, 8.03.2019.
- Estonian MFA, Briefing on Russia, 14.03.2019.
- European Parliament/Polish Naval Academy, Gdynia, presentation on Black Sea region security, 22.03.2019.
- Kyiv Security Forum, 11-12.04.2019.
- NATO Parliamentary Assembly Rose-Roth Conference, Brussels, Panel on Russia, 24.04.2019.
- Experts Conference in the margins of EU Summit, Sibiu, Romania, panellist on Security & Defence of Europe, 9.05.2019.
- OSW Warsaw, Briefing/Discussion on Ukraine and Russia, 9.08.2019.
- Odesa Security Forum, "Russia challenge", 5-7.09.2019.
- Razumkov Centre, Kyiv, Russia/Ukraine roundtable, 10.09.2019.
- Riga Security Forum, Debate on NATO & Russia, 13.09.2019.
- College of Europe, Natolin, Three Revolutions Project, Concluding Presentation, 17.09.2019 – and subsequent lecture to students.
- ICDS Resilience Conference, Keynote on Russian Orthodox Church, 3.11.2019.
- MoD Madrid, Briefing to General Staff, state experts on Russia, 11.11.2019.
- Lithuanian MFA, Briefing to the Eastern Partnership Stratcom Group, 14.11.2019.
- Institute of Statecraft, London, Briefing on Ukraine, 3.12.2019.
- LSE Ideas, London, Panelist on NATO and Russia, 5.12.2019.
- Chatham House, Ukraine Forum conference, presentation, 5.12.2019.

3. SELECTED MEDIA APPEARANCES

Jüris, Frank:

- Uudis+, Hongkongi protestid, Vikerraadio, 18.06.19, <https://vikerraadio.err.ee/949064/uudis-mirko-ajakivi/958510>
- Ringvaade / Anna Pihl, Protestid Hongkongis, 12.08.19, <https://etv.err.ee/966518/ringvaade-suvel>.
- Uudis+, Olukord Hongkongis, Vikerraadio, 15.08.19, <https://vikerraadio.err.ee/967121/uudis-lauri-varik/969682>.
- "Intervjuu: Frank Jüris Hiina lugude sari Postimehes kokkuvõte", KUKU Raadio, 06.09.19, <http://podcast.kuku.postimees.ee/podcast/intervjuu-frank-juris-hiina-lugude-sari-postimehes-kokkuvote-saade/>.
- Saade, "Intervjuu: Frank Jüris – Hiina rahvavabariigi 70 tähistamine", KUKU Raadio, 01.10.19, <http://podcast.kuku.postimees.ee/podcast/intervjuu-frank-juris-hiina-rahvavabariigi-70-tahistamine/>.
- Ringvaade / Marko Reikop, "Hiina Rahvavabariik 70", ERR, 01.10.19, <https://etv.err.ee/987490/hiina-rahvavabariik-70>.
- Uudis+, "Pinevast olukorrast Hongkongis", Vikerraadio, 02.10.19, <https://vikerraadio.err.ee/981877/uudis-lauri-varik/980808>.
- Välitund, "Mis toimub Hiinas?", Vikerraadio, 02.09.19, <https://vikerraadio.err.ee/972095/valitund-mis-toimub-hiinas>.
- Foreign Policy / Reid Standish, "Does the World's Longest Undersea Tunnel Have a China Problem?", 07.10.19, <https://foreignpolicy.com/2019/10/07/does-the-worlds-longest-undersea-tunnel-have-a-china-problem/>.
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- Utrikes, "Vesterbackas tunnel är ett säkerhetspolitiskt hot varnar expert: "Kinas och Rysslands nära relation borde väcka större oro"", Swedish YLE, 18.11.19, <https://svenska.yle.fi/artikel/2019/11/18/vesterbackas-tunnel-ar-ett-sakerhetspolitiskt-hot-varnar-expert-kinas-och>.
- Uudis+, "Poliitiline olukord Hongkongis", Vikerraadio, 19.11.19, <https://vikerraadio.err.ee/999903/uudis-mirko-ajakivi/993112>.
- Saade, "Frank Jüris olukorrast Hongkongis", KUKU Raadio, 19.11.19, <http://podcast.kuku.postimees.ee/podcast/intervjuu-frank-juris-olukorrast-hongkongis-saade/>.
- Postimees / Helen Mihelson, "Postimehe küsitlus: Hiina raha jagab arvamused kaheks", 19.11.19, <https://leht.postimees.ee/6829290/postimehe-kusitlus-hiina-raha-jagab-arvamused-kaheks>.
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