Foreword

The information in each profile included in the Index of this publication has been approved by the respective think tank. The authors wish therefore to thank all the think tanks that have participated in our survey for their cooperation.

Due to the limits of space, the selection of European think tanks annexed to the Introduction that follows does not pretend to be exhaustive. Rather, it aims to be representative of the main players in the market of EU policy-related ideas. In an effort to illustrate in broad terms what a European think tank is, this study chose think tanks based in the EU member states and the Brussels 'beltway' according to their visibility, notoriety, reputation and output both in Brussels and at national level, as well as their engagement in more than just one policy field.

In the Introduction of the publication we make it a point to acknowledge the distinctive role that think tanks linked to political parties, university institutes as well as offshoots of US-based think tanks play in Europe. We have not however included these categories in the Index. Those that are close to political parties are obviously more defined by their broader political family. University institutes tend to have a penchant for purely academic research, are not financially or institutionally independent from the alma mater that hosts them, and are too numerous to include here. US think tanks, for their part, though consequential on the Brussels scene, cannot be considered European players in their own right rather they are seen as antennae of their ‘home’ institution or foundation regardless of their legal status in Europe.

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Commission President Barroso has made it a point to regularly engage with think tanks (TTs), most notably in the preparation of his annual State of the Union speech in the European Parliament, but also by mandating the Bureau of European Policy Advisers (BEPA) to act as their main interlocutor. BEPA has therefore aimed to broaden the understanding of this key constituency among Commission services and contribute to exploring the potential for further synergies between them and European think tanks.

This introduction is intended to illustrate the context and clarify the terms of the survey that BEPA has carried out, as well as to serve as a user’s guide for the annexed index of European TTs. More generally, this study seeks to shed light on a phenomenon that has become ever more important in the EU policy debate, namely the role of TTs as opinion-shapers, both upstream (vis-à-vis decision-makers) and downstream (vis-à-vis public opinion).

Such interface role is perhaps a European peculiarity, as in the United States the role of TTs is much more geared to directly influencing policy-making at federal level. In the EU they also play an important ‘educational’ and informative role, especially (but not exclusively) at national level. In particular, those TTs primarily focused on European affairs and EU policies – to which this publication is devoted – have historically been also traditional (if at times critical) supporters of the integration process. In Brussels, as in most EU capitals, it is indeed difficult to find the same breadth of different and even radically opposed positions as in Washington: TTs have tended to be rather ‘mainstream’ in this respect. Yet all this may be changing now, along with the nature, profile and notoriety, visibility and output, both in Brussels and at national level, as well as their engagement in more than just one policy field. The selection does not pretend to be exhaustive. Rather, representative of the main players in the game/market of EU policy-related ideas. For the sake of comparison, the index provides a snapshot of the chosen TTs for the year 2010, including their mission statements, specialisation, main sources of funding and core stakeholders/audience. It also tries to highlight both commonalities and differences among European TTs and to show the extent to which the EU matters for them – both as a subject of analysis and as a stakeholder/funder.

What we talk about when we talk about think tanks

The term “think tank” dates back to the 1940s in the United States, when American government elites – borrowing from the military jargon for secure rooms where plans could be discussed – encouraged the establishment of dedicated places (‘tanks’) to think strategically about the post-war world. The first such place was notably the RAND Corporation, then very close to the Department of War/Defence.

Yet it can be argued that – apart from the various centres devoted to advocating social ‘progress’ created at the beginning of the 20th century in both the US and Europe (the London School of Economics, for example, or the Russell Institute for International Affairs) – most existing think tanks were the result of the creation of large endowments devoted to philanthropic causes and/or funding socially useful scientific research.

1 In 2004, Steven Boucher counted as many as 149 think tanks “active on European themes” in the EU, of which only 36 were “euro-specific”, i.e. focused on European issues. See S. Boucher (ed.), Europe and its Think Tanks: A Promise to Be Fulfilled, Notre Europe, Paris, Studies and Research, no. 35, October 2004. In 2008, James McGann who runs a “Think Tanks and Civil Societies” programme at the University of Pennsylvania, counted 1208 of them for “Western Europe” and 514 for “Eastern Europe” (though not exclusively devoted to European themes); in 2011, his new grouping “European Union” included a total of 1485. It must be said, however, that McGann’s ongoing Global Go-To Think Tanks Report (from which these figures are taken) is based on a slightly superficial compilation of data and names combined with a peer and expert survey by some 1500 experts, 6000 journalists and donors from around the world. It is, in other words, not very rigorous (it includes i.a. party political institutes, university establishments, and NGOs), quite discreetional, and also liable to conflicts of interest and even commercial exploitation, especially insofar as it engages in ‘ranking’ so many different realities. On the other hand, McGann’s book on the US think tank world (Think Tanks and Policy Advice in the US: Academics, Advisors and Advocates, New York, Routledge, 2007) is definitely useful.

2 See J.A. Smith, The Idea Brokers: Think Tanks and the Rise of the Policy Elite, New York, Free Press, 1991. In the 1920s and 1930s, US industrial and financial tycoons (Rockefeller, Brookings, Ford) had already started devoting part of their huge personal fortunes to the creation of large endowments devoted to philanthropic causes and/or funding socially useful scientific research.
Economics was one) three – it was the Great War that first prompted the creation of independent centres of research to focus on topics of public interest, notably the prevention of future armed conflicts: such were the Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House) in London, the Council on Foreign Relations in New York, and the Institut des Hautes Etudes Internationales (later HEI), established in Geneva in 1927 as an offshoot of the League of Nations.

Later on, terms like “brain trust” or “brain boxes” became quite typical of the Roosevelt era and its vision of public policy. They came back into fashion again during the Kennedy-Johnson years, when the Harvard-trained “eggheads” in the administration were often labelled in the press as “brain bank” or “think factory” – while the term “tank” started hinting also at a public exposure comparable to that of an aquarium or a zoo cage for rare species.

Variously translated into European languages (boîte à/laboratoire d'idées, Denkfabrik, pensatoio), “think tank” is now commonly used in its original version everywhere as a sort of catch-all definition. Yet TTs vary enormously in nature, scope and size, both in Europe and worldwide. If one just takes the city of Washington DC – and in particular the square mile around Dupont Circle – the sheer number and diversity of centres that carry and/or claim that label is startling. A similar tendency is increasingly visible around Dupont Circle – the sheer number and diversity of centres that carry and/or claim that label is startling. A similar tendency is increasingly visible in Brussels and elsewhere. At the same time, a stringent and agreed definition of what constitutes a “true” TT is still lacking.

In an index published by Foreign Policy magazine in 2009, James McGann distinguished global TTs, more or less arbitrarily, among “policymakers”, “partisans”, “phantoms”, “scholars” and “activists”. Then, no less arbitrarily, he added his own ranking of the top 15 US and 10 non-US think tanks. The first list included such diverse establishments as the Brookings Institution and the Heritage Foundation, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and the American Enterprise Institute, the Council on Foreign Relations and Human Rights Watch. The second one ranged from Chatham House to Transparency International, from SIPRI to the Adam Smith Institute.

For his part, in the only serious study undertaken so far on European think tanks, Steven Boucher identified nine criteria to define a TT. To qualify as such, accordingly, one has to:

1. be somewhat permanent;
2. specialise in the production of public policy solutions;
3. have in-house staff dedicated to research;
4. produce ideas, analysis and advice;
5. communicate its findings to policy-makers and public opinion;
6. not be responsible for government operations;
7. maintain research freedom and independence from specific interests;
8. not grant degrees or have training as its primary activity;
9. seek, explicitly or implicitly, to act in the public interest.

When trying to categorise European TTs proper into a simplified spectrum, however, Boucher somewhat contradicted at least some of those criteria.

3 R. Dahrendorf, LSE: A History of the London School of Economics and Political Science 1895-1995, Oxford-London, Oxford UP, 1995. While the LSE was an initiative of the Fabian Society and the fledgling labour movement, the Ecole Libre des Sciences Politiques in Paris (1872-1945) and the Hochschule fuer Politik in Berlin (1920-1933) were private creations of liberal elites trying to reshape a national ‘spirit’ and consensus after two harsh and painful military defeats (1871 and 1918) by combining training for public service and near-academic policy research. They turned out to be the forerunners, respectively, of Sciences Po in France and the German post-war tradition of party foundations. See G. Vincent, Sciences Po: histoire d’une réussite, Paris, Orban, 1987; A. Misserokli, Die Deutsche Hochschule für Politik, St. Augustin, Comdok Verlag, 1988.
4 The Institut für Auswärtige Politik (1923-1933) founded in Hamburg by Albrecht Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, was another (if short-lived) product of the decision taken at the Versailles peace conference to establish such centres, following in the footsteps of Andrew Carnegie and his Endowment for International Peace in Washington (1910).
7 J. McGann, “The Think Tank Index”, Foreign Policy, February 2009, 82-84.
8 Boucher (ed.) … quot. (fn. 1), 2-4.
Specifically, he highlighted four main types of TTs:

I. academic think tanks (or universities without students);

II. advocacy think tanks (which McGann prefers to call “engagement” TTs);

III. contract research organisations;

IV. political party think tanks.

It is quite clear that types I and III may struggle to meet criteria 2 and 5, while II and especially IV may be seen somewhat more conditioned by 6 and 7. Even the 35-odd TTs considered here may not all meet the nine criteria listed above, while type IV has been preliminarily not included in this survey (along with university centres and institutes). Still, check lists like these help identify the main features of each and every establishment under consideration.

The point is that, especially in Europe, the genesis of what are now commonly called “think tanks” is very heterogeneous across countries and political cultures. Their original traits have often evolved over time and most (if not all) have turned into more or less ‘hybrid’ constructs that tend to combine elements of the different above-mentioned types.

To start with, there is no such thing as a common or comparable legal status for them across the EU, as situations differ from country to country (associations sans but lucratif in Belgium, foundations, companies, state agencies, grant-making bodies).

Secondly, European TTs serve quite different purposes: some have a quasi-academic profile and public status; others are non-profit organisations or foundations with a more or less pronounced penchant for advocacy; some cover a very large thematic ground (generalists) while others are rather specialised (thematically or geographically); some have a predominantly European outlook while others (especially at national level) cover EU-related issues only as part of their overall mission and scope. On top of that, it is certainly not unusual for some TTs to play different roles at different times and in different contexts.

Finally, with regard to their funding, TTs were at first largely dependent on public money, in particular those national think tanks devoted to foreign and international affairs. Today, however, they cannot rely much upon generous private donations (certainly not as much as in the US) and often need to draw on multiple sources: membership fees, sales of publications, sponsorships and donations, (dwindling)

state subsidies, grants and project-related money, including from the EU.

Their evolution over time and their geographical location and reach also matter.

National scenes

What we currently have come to know as European TTs started developing in some key EU countries in the 1970s as centres specialised on international affairs. As such, they normally reflected the different national traditions, attitudes and cultures of the countries they knew best.9

Until the 1990s, in fact, ‘Europe’ was still mainly seen as a matter of either ideology (some TTs were offshoots of the federalist movement) or foreign policy. IFRI, Chatham House, IAI, ISPI, IRRI (later Egmont), Clingendael, ELIAMEP, UI, FIIA, DIIS, in part also DGAP, dealt with EC/EU affairs in that framework – sometimes with a combination of those two approaches – and were often funded by their respective MoFAs.

These think tanks mostly flanked (and were intertwined with) national establishments, and occasionally staged bi- or pluri-national fora to debate strategic or European issues of common interest. Public discussions on economic and social matters were often carried out by other actors and at a predominantly, if not purely, national level.

Today, with an expanding number of new players entering the fray and under the pressure of mounting competition for limited funds, TTs tend to specialise. More thematic/sectoral ones have indeed popped up in some countries, while the more established national TTs maintain some sort of ‘EU research programme’, alongside others, and raise funds to that effect (as state/public and MoFA support have declined everywhere) both at national and European level.

They have also become an inevitable passerelle between policy-makers and public opinion. The media have increasingly opened their debates and editorial pages to think tankers and adopted a practice of contacting them for comments on current affairs.

Indeed, most national TTs serve multiple purposes: they inform about the EU, often with a national angle and focus, and they stimulate the policy debate by organising public events and publishing articles and papers. Alongside these quasi-educational functions, some TTs also participate in transnational consortia to animate the discussion, circulate ideas, and also carry out academic-level research on policy issues.

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As a result, websites have become an indispensable tool for intervening in and keeping pace with the wider EU policy debate and for collecting views and analyses from different corners of the Union. In fact, it has become increasingly difficult to monitor all that is being published/uploaded on the web (and BEPA’s “Think Tank Twitter”, included in its Monthly Brief, is meant precisely to help do that). In some cases – notably those of established national TTs – the use of the web has come to the detriment of long-standing and prestigious printed periodicals such as International Affairs, Politique Etrangère, Internationale Politik, Integration or The International Spectator.

On the other hand, the growing use of and access to IT tools and online media have somewhat lowered the threshold for entering the public policy debate and allowed in players (e.g. grant-making institutions and foundations) that, in principle, should play a different role on the marketplace of ideas. This, too, has contributed to blurring the once clearer dividing lines between “think tanks” proper and other establishments.

Transnational networks
As already mentioned, some of these national think tanks – e.g. IAI, IEP, Clingendael, along with the London-based Federal Trust – were initially also markedly influenced by European federalists. In 1974 they joined forces and established TEPSA (Trans-European Policy Studies Association) as an international association under Belgian law, the first ever TT network at pan-European level, with an office in Brussels, based on a strict one-centre-per-member-state rule [www.tepsa.eu].

EuroMeSCo (Euro-Mediterranean Study Commission), set up in 1996 in the wake of the Barcelona Conference, has long been the main network of research centres on politics and security in the Mediterranean [www.euromesco.net].

In the late 1990s, EPIN (European Policy Institutes Network) was set up on the initiative of CEPS with the twin purpose of integrating/socialising new centres especially from the EU-10, where the TT landscape was still relatively weak, fragmented and fluid, and bidding collectively for funds from the EU’s Framework Programme [www.epin.org]. In 2000, CEPS also promoted the creation of the European Network of Economic Policy Research Institutes (ENEPRI) that brings together 23 leading research-oriented centres from a majority of EU member states with the goal of circulating relevant work, coordinating plans, carrying out joint projects and raising public awareness [www.enepri.org].

Furthermore, since 2007, Notre Europe has coordinated an annual cooperative effort among TTs from different countries, including Brussels-based ones, labelled TGAE (Think Global – Act European). It has so far produced three multi-authored reports collecting papers from various European TTs addressed to each forthcoming ‘trio’ of EU presidencies, and three editions (2008, 2011 and 2011) of its European Forum of Think Tanks.

Last but not least, since January 2010 all Brussels-based TTs have organised an annual Think Tank Dialogue (TTD) devoted to assessing the “State of the Union” in which they submit their analytical papers and policy recommendations to EU top leaders. Participation in the TTD is open also to all those national think tanks that wish to contribute.

The Brussels scene
The more traditional and better established TTs in Brussels (CEPS, EPC, Friends of Europe) were all founded in the ‘golden age’ of European integration, namely between the mid-1980s and the late 1990s. At their origin were European officials (including former Commission senior figures), businessmen (especially from the six founding member states) and journalists (notably former British correspondents covering the EC). They are all ‘generalist’ TTs, exclusively focused on EU affairs, and with a broad pro-integration bias – although arguably CEPS is more research-oriented, Friends of Europe (FoE) almost exclusively focused on fostering debate10, and EPC somewhere in-between.

Over the past decade, following also the EU’s expansion (both functional and geographic), new players have joined the Brussels scene. To start with, many American TTs and/or organisations have set foot in town: the German Marshall Fund, the International Crisis Group, the East-West Institute, and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.11

10 Closely connected (also physically) with FoE is the Security & Defence Agenda (SDA), founded in 2002 as a forum for debating security issues relevant to both the EU and NATO. It is more a platform than a think tank proper, while FoE likes also to be seen as such.

11 To these one could add RAND Europe, first based in Leiden and then in Cambridge, and the network of national Aspen Institutes across the EU. The GMF has also offices and ‘antennae’ in various EU capitals, from Berlin to Warsaw, from Paris to Bucharest, from Bratislava to Stockholm and Turin – let alone Belgrade and Ankara. Conversely, the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS) has a predominantly transatlantic and increasingly global focus (with offices in Washington, Singapore and Bahrain) and rarely deals with EU affairs proper.
The Lisbon Council and BRUEGEL have also been set up lately, both with a strong focus on economic issues – the former leaning more towards policy advocacy of the growth agenda, and the latter more towards policy analysis and research. The European Centre for International Political Economy (ECIPE), created in 2006, deals exclusively with trade policy, is more global than European in outlook, and is an outspoken advocate of free trade.

For their part, some national TTs have also opened ‘antennae’ in Brussels: the Gütersloh-based Bertelsmann Foundation, the Berlin-based SWP, the London-based CER, the Paris-based IFRI and Robert Schuman Foundation, the Madrid-based FRIDE and, in conjunction with Poland’s Presidency of the Council, the Warsaw-based Centre for Eastern Studies (OSW) and Institute of Public Affairs (ISP). The most recent arrival in town is the London-based “Open Europe” think tank, which may also be seen as a harbinger of a less consensual debate on (and less mainstream approach to) European integration.

Conversely, while the Belgian Egmont (formerly IRRI) is a somewhat ‘double-hatted’ institute (national and Brussels-centred), the Paris-based Notre Europe is normally considered also part of the Brussels TT milieu for its exclusive focus on EU matters.

In the meantime, the ‘family’ of organisations supported by George Soros has continued to grow: his US-based OSI (primarily a grant-making institution) has opened an office in Brussels. Moreover, Prague-based EUROPEUM, the European Stability Initiative (that deals primarily with EU candidate countries) and especially the European Council on Foreign Relations (London-based but present in other EU capitals) – all significantly, at least at the outset, reliant on OSI seed money – have gained weight and raised their profile in the wider policy debate.

Last but not least, the ‘euro-parties’ in the European Parliament have launched their own TTs, starting with Centre for European Studies (CES) and the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) – to which, of course, one should add the offices of the German party foundations, some of which (the Konrad-Adenauer- and the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung) are old timers in town.

It is legitimate, in other words, to talk of a fledgling pan-European TT environment and debate. Think tanks are increasingly interested in feeding into the EU agenda and feeding back the EU agenda into national policies, while also being present across the continent, especially (but not exclusively) in Brussels. The recent booming and blooming of the Brussels TT scene, in particular, is certainly due to the increasing importance of the EU capital as a hub for policy-shaping in a growing number of areas – and this study does not take into consideration the numerous consultancies that often act as close relatives of TTs and/or compete in the same ‘market’.

Insofar as think tanks intend to raise awareness, animate and influence debates, support causes and propose solutions on issues that fall within the remit of EU institutions, Brussels is indeed the place to be. But it is also essential for fundraising and networking purposes. The concentration of diplomats, officials (and officers, including from NATO), parliamentarians, business representatives and lobbyists – not to mention the media and their multiplier effect – is unique for the European continent. This situation compares only to Washington, adding a sort of ‘beltway’ feeling and flavour to many debates and initiatives taking place in Brussels.

All these factors further contribute to the multi-functional profile that TTs have to develop in order to thrive and have an impact, both locally and globally. As Hugo Brady (CER, Brussels) brilliantly put it, the quintessential think tanker in town must be able to “think like an academic, act like a diplomat, and write like a journalist”.

What about the EU?

The Commission supports the work of European TTs in a variety of ways, as the profiles in the index also demonstrate. First and foremost, funding is available through its Framework Programme, based on the quality of their research, networking ability, and as of the latest FP-7, emphasis on the policy relevance of the output. Secondly, via the (more recent) “Europe for Citizens” programme, open also
to various NGOs and associations; and thirdly, through specific short-term contracts awarded by individual Directorates-General, not unlike what other EU institutions also do.

This has little to do, in principle, with the willingness and ability of each and every EU institutions to build, maintain and develop an in-house capacity for policy analysis and review, strategic planning and foresight. Partially ‘outsourcing’ that, however, may be considered a perfectly rational and functional choice as well as a broader outreach and public diplomacy endeavour. Yet it certainly shows that there is no one-size-fits-all approach to (and appreciation of) these crucial European opinion-shapers.

The multiplication and diversification of TTs across Europe, in fact, has made it also increasingly difficult to identify and classify – let alone relate to – them. This has gone hand-in-hand with calls for more transparency in how EU institutions engage with external stakeholders. At some point in time, the debate centred mostly on whether TTs should sign up to the lobby register launched by the European Commission in June 2008.15

The joint “Transparency Register” stems from an old idea ingrained in the EU treaties, which stipulate that, in order to promote good governance and ensure civil society participation, the EU institutions, bodies, offices and agencies should conduct their work as openly as possible, and that decisions be taken as openly and directly as possible with the citizens. In this context, the new register aims to provide a ‘one-stop-shop’ system that is simple and user-friendly both for those wanting to register and for those willing to check and verify the information.

The “Transparency Register” is also not an entirely new initiative. It grew out of Commission VP Siim Kallas’ European Transparency Initiative (ETI) in 2005, which led to the establishment of a “Register of Interest Representatives” in 2008. However, not only was its name negatively perceived, it was also associated exclusively with lobbying activities, which prevented a number of TTs from registering. In parallel, the European Parliament had its own register – dating from 1996 – which suffered from widespread criticism from democracy campaigners for the allegedly questionable accuracy of the information contained within it.

Taking into account these limitations, a review process was launched in December 2008. Following extended negotiations in a high-level inter-institutional working group and European Parliament approval in May 2011, the new joint EP/EC “Transparency Register” was launched on 23 June 2011, replacing the two previous ones. The scope of this register covers all activities “carried out with the objective of directly or indirectly influencing the formulation or implementation of policy and the decision-making processes of the EU institutions, irrespective of the channel or medium of communication used – for example outsourcing, media, contracts with professional intermediaries, think tanks, platforms, forums, campaigns and grassroots initiatives”.16 And, in line with requests from TTs themselves, a separate category has been created for “think tanks”, setting them clearly apart from “public affairs professionals” and direct corporate interest representation.17

The new register thus aims to provide information on all those seeking to gain influence over European policy. By registering, organisations or individuals agree to make public not only basic information about themselves but also details on their activities in the EU institutions, the number of people involved as well as relevant financial figures. Registrants also agree to abide by a code of conduct including a commitment to provide accurate and up-to-date information (and rules to this effect have been significantly tightened, with new staff assigned to monitor foul play). As a result, organisations listed in the “Transparency Register” could benefit from better access to policy-makers: while registration is not mandatory, it is necessary to obtain an access card to the European Parliament’s premises.

The new register and the new rules have been well received by most stakeholders, including the TT community. On its first anniversary, on 23 June 2012, 5,150 interest groups were listed. Nonetheless, some concerns remain. A report released by the pro-transparency group Alter-EU suggests that the voluntary register is failing to give a complete picture of lobbying in Brussels since a number of lobby

17 The “Transparency Register” can be consulted at www.europa.eu/transparency-register/index_en.htm While the participation of the Council in the joint “Transparency Register” is still under consideration for the future, it has accepted to nominate an observer from its General Secretariat to take part in the weekly meetings of the register’s secretariat.
groups – including i.a. law firms – have not joined the “Transparency Register”.\textsuperscript{18} Even some TTs are missing from the list. Still, the two-year review process planned for 23 June 2013 is expected to provide the opportunity for addressing pending matters.

Conclusions

Taken as a whole, European TTs are becoming, especially through their networks and websites, the closest thing to a fledgling common European “public sphere”\textsuperscript{19} – rather than an “epistemic community”\textsuperscript{20} \textit{stricto sensu} – albeit within the realm of a selected (yet quintessentially open) sample of engaged and educated citizens. Indeed, they shape both expectations and perceptions regarding EU policies, with increasing access to old and new media at national, continental and international level. Yet, they also start representing a significant basin for the recruitment of policy-shapers proper – a phenomenon that is becoming ever more apparent in some countries as well as within the EU institutions themselves.

Europe is still far from the American “revolving doors” tradition, or rather practice, whereby think tankers and academics easily move in and out of government jobs as administrations come and go, and each time they move up (at least) one notch. European public administrations and political career patterns are still quite different – not only from the US but also from one another – and rarely show anything remotely comparable to the American “spoils system”.

But if something has changed in this respect in virtually all EU countries over the past few years, it is precisely the growing presence and impact of dedicated policy advisers coming from outside the traditional party and state structures – a trend that may reflect, in part, the ever greater importance of communication in policy formulation, but in part also the increasing difficulty of those traditional structures to produce policy innovation. Think tankers of the multi-functional, triple-hatted type described above fit very well the professional profile required to fill these gaps.

The wider European TT landscape, therefore, is now a force to be reckoned with, and one that is evolving very rapidly. The arrival of new players on the EU bloc has affected the policy debate and added new voices that serve also as feelers in (and relays to) EU and world capitals. At national level, processes of consolidation and adaptation go hand in hand with new initiatives, often prompted by the need to make other voices heard and to connect with the broader continental policy debate.

More generally, TTs are diversifying their operations and/or searching for thematic niches, in part reflecting also the growing variety and complexity of EU policies. As a result, it is increasingly difficult to remain a ‘generalist’ think tank, or just a think tank in traditional terms. The funding structure of individual TTs is also changing quickly, and the ongoing financial and economic crisis is taking its toll on both the public and the private donors’ side.

In terms of size, staff, or budget, Europe does not have the equivalents of Brookings, CSIS, Carnegie or RAND. Neither does it have, however, the equivalents of the smaller and highly partisan TTs that populate the Washington ‘beltway’, although it does have militant ones that focus almost exclusively on one or the other EU policy and pursue a specific agenda.

The actual influence of continental think tanks remains difficult to measure, especially in general and absolute terms, as well as to translate into any kind of ranking. Nonetheless, although they are not becoming any bigger, European TTs are certainly becoming more numerous, more widespread and more influential.

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\textsuperscript{18} See \textit{Dodgy Data: Time to Fix the EU’s Transparency Register}, Brussels, Alliance for Lobby Transparency and Ethics Regulation (ALTER-EU), June 2012 [available at www.alter-eu.org].


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Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP), Berlin
Bertelsmann Stiftung, Gütersloh
Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Berlin
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Auswärtige Politik (DGAP), Berlin
Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP), Athens
Institute for International and European Affairs (II EA), Dublin
Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), Rome
Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale (ISPI), Milan
Netherlands Institute of International Relations – Clingendael, The Hague
Institute of Public Affairs, Warsaw
Polish Institute of International Affairs (PISM), Warsaw
demosEUROPA, Warsaw
Instituto de Estudios Estratégicos e Internacionales (IEEI), Lisbon
Slovak Foreign Policy Association, Bratislava
Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB), Barcelona
Fundación para las Relaciones Internacionales y el Diálogo Exterior (FRIDE), Madrid
Fundación Real Instituto Elcano, Madrid
Swedish Institute of International Affairs (UI), Stockholm
Swedish Institute for European Studies (SIEPS), Stockholm
Centre for European Reform (CER), London
Chatham House, London
European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR), London

21 Listed in alphabetical order of the countries where the headquarters/seat of the organisation is located.
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<th>Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS)</th>
<th>Brussels</th>
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<th>Key Features Founded in 1983; strong in-house research capacity and extensive network of partner institutes</th>
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<th>Membership of European Consortia TGAE EPIN ENEPRI (initiator)</th>
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<td>Mission statement <strong>Motto:</strong> “Thinking Ahead for Europe” **To conduct state-of-the-art policy research leading to innovative solutions to the challenges facing Europe” **To achieve high standards of academic excellence and maintain unqualified independence” **To provide a forum for discussion among all stakeholders in the European policy process” **To build collaborative networks of researchers, policy-makers and business representatives across the whole of Europe” **To disseminate our findings and views through a regular flow of publications and public events”</td>
<td>Research: - Agriculture &amp; Rural Policy - Economic Policy - Energy &amp; Climate Change - EU Neighborhood, Foreign &amp; Security Policy - Financial Markets &amp; Institutions - Justice &amp; Home Affairs - Politics &amp; Institutions - Regulatory Policy - Social Welfare Policy - Trade Developments &amp; Policy</td>
<td>Specialisations EU internal and external policies Macroeconomic policy (EMU) and Financial Markets Institutional issues</td>
<td>Funding (2010) Total revenue: above €6 million Research-related income and grants: +50% Memberships: +/- 20% Project partnerships: +/- 20% Grants from the EU: 2%</td>
<td>EU Funding (2010) Europe for citizens: €139,634 FP7: CEPS is part of several EU research networks: - ANCIEN - Factor Markets - MEDPRO - NEUJOBS - RELIGARE - INNODRIVE - SERVICEGAP - INDICSER - BLUE-ETS - FUME - MICROCON - INCLUD-ED - ENACT - INEX - EXACT</td>
<td>Stakeholders/ Audience Institutional members: EU Officials (de jure), Permanent Representations, Diplomatic Missions of third countries, academics and trade associations Corporate members: representatives of the following industries: financial services, energy, telecommunications, public affairs, automotive, legal services and consumer goods</td>
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| Committed to “defining and articulating mature, holistic and evidence-based strategies for managing current and future challenges” | Publications  
- Policy briefs (25-70 pages)  
- Euro Plus Monitor Competitiveness Ranking (about 70 pages)  
- Interactive e-briefs (10-30 pages)  
- Annual Report  
- Newsletter (twice a year) | Innovation  
Growth  
Economic  
Governance  
Competitiveness  
Europe 2020  
Digital Europe  
Eco-innovation  
Social inclusion, education, human capital and skills  
Entrepreneurship | Total revenue: more than €800,000  
Corporate funding: +50% | Europe for citizens: €200,000  
FP7: - PROGRESS: €130,000 | Economists and thinkers  
Public figures/ officials  
Entrepreneurs and Innovators  
NGO leaders  
Business strategists  
Opinion makers and journalists |
| Serves as an “incubator for novel ideas that offer new approaches to key challenges” | Events  
- Annual Founding Fathers Lectures  
- Series of lectures within thematic “Initiatives”, such as Digital Agenda, Europe 2020, Innovation, Competitiveness, Skills and Human Capital, Entrepreneurship and Government Transformation |  |  |  |  |
| THE LISBON COUNCIL FOR ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS AND SOCIAL RENEWAL | Centres of Excellence  
- Single Market Entrepreneurs (SME) Centre  
- European Centre for Government Transformation  
- StartUp Europe (from 2013)  
- Gan Zhao Li Centre for Innovation and Sino-European Studies (from 2013) |  |  |  |  |
| Brussels | Key Features |  |  |  |  |
| Founded in 2003 in Belgium; “a think tank for the 21st century” |  |  |  |  |  |
| Legal Status  
Association Internationale Sans But Lucratif (Under Belgian Law) | Transparency register | Yes |  |  |  |
<p>| Membership of European Consortiums | No |  |  |  |  |</p>
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| Brussels                         | “committed to make European integration work” | Research: four flagship programmes: 1) European Politics and Institutions 2) European Migration and Diversity 3) Europe’s Political Economy 4) Europe in the world | EU politics  
EU macroeconomics  
EU external action  
EU relations with the Western Balkans  
EU relations with the European neighbourhood  
EU migration policy | Total revenue: +/- €2,500,000  
Untied funding: 73%  
Funding tied to specific activities: 27% | Europe for Citizens: €121,891  
DG Employment (Well-being 2030 project): €100,000 | Members: +/- 400  
Corporate members: 74  
Professional and business associations: 78  
Diplomatic, governmental and intergovernmental organisations: 125  
Foundations: 26  
NGOs: 46  
Regional Bodies and Authorities: 40  
Religious Organisations: 6 |
| Brussels                         | “providing its members and the wider public with rapid, high-quality information and analysis” on European and global policy-making | | | | | |
| Brussels                         | “aims to promote a balanced dialogue between the different constituencies of its membership” | Publications:  
- Working papers (60-200 pages, ISSN)  
- Issue papers  
- Shorter policy briefs (4 pages)  
- Commentaries (2 pages)  
- Newsletter  
- Annual report  
- Journal *Challenge Europe* | | | |
| Brussels                         | | Events:  
- Policy dialogues  
- Briefings  
- Seminars  
- Conferences | | | |
| Brussels                         | | | | | | |
| Brussels                         | Legal Status  
Association Internationale Sans But Lucratif (under Belgian law) | Key Features  
Founded in 1996 | | | | |
| Brussels                         | Transparency register  
Yes | Membership of European Consortiums  
TGAE | | | | |

**EUROPEAN POLICY CENTRE (EPC)**

**Brussels**

**Legal Status**
Association Internationale Sans But Lucratif (under Belgian law)

**Key Features**
Founded in 1996

**Transparency register**
Yes

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TGAE

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**Specialisations**
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<td><strong>FRIENDS OF EUROPE</strong></td>
<td>To stimulate thinking on the future of the EU and the challenges facing its citizens, confront ideas and to encourage wider interest in Europe’s future</td>
<td>Organisation of various forums and public debates on EU-related themes</td>
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<td>Total revenue: +/- €2.17 million</td>
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<td>Publication of reports and policy briefings</td>
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<td>Co-founder of Europe’s World, a widely read and distributed policy journal</td>
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<td>Private non-corporate (foundations, other think thanks, NGOs, etc.): +/- 20%</td>
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<td>European and international institutions (EU, OECD, IMF, World Bank, etc.): 18.5%</td>
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<td>Communicating Europe</td>
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<td>It provides analysis and suggests international policy options on issues relevant to Belgium and to the EU, which are meant to be as operational as possible. It has also to contribute to the awareness of the Belgian public opinion on these issues</td>
<td>Research: 3 programmes:</td>
<td>- International security issues in sub-Saharan and in central Africa</td>
<td>Total revenue: +/- €1,839,000</td>
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<td>1) Africa</td>
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<td>- EU integration process &amp; EU horizontal issues</td>
<td>Main subsidy from the Belgian federal \nMoFA: €1,143,000</td>
<td>- SANDERA (until 2010)</td>
<td>Targeted audience:\nBelgian foreign policy community and citizens</td>
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<td>- International security, EU strategic Partnerships &amp; neighbourhood policies, CFSP &amp; CSDP</td>
<td>Brussels and Flanders regions for employment purposes: €145,000</td>
<td>- MULTIPART (until 2010)</td>
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<td>- Train Belgian civil servants on multilateral operations</td>
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EGMONT – ROYAL INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Brussels

Legal Status
Fondation d’utilité publique (Belgian law)

Key features
Founded in 1947, independent academic institution

Transparency register
No, and not envisaged

Membership of European Consortiums
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<td>CENTRE FOR LIBERAL STRATEGIES (CLS) Sofia</td>
<td>“pursues academic depth while at the same time reacting to the current problems of the political, economic and social life in Bulgaria and taking into account the context of today’s global world”</td>
<td>Research projects: Involvement in research projects coordinated by other institutes or think tanks</td>
<td>Democratisation of post-communist countries</td>
<td>Total revenue: +/- €600,000</td>
<td>FP7: - MEDIADEM (2010-2012, 14 partner institutions, focus on national media regulation): €2,065,000</td>
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<td>Events: - Conferences: roundtables on current issues - Lectures by external speakers - Economic history seminar - Memorial lectures</td>
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<td><strong>“research, analysis and information activities in Denmark in the area of international affairs, and comprising foreign affairs, security and development policy, conflict, Holocaust, genocide and politically motivated mass atrocities”</strong></td>
<td><strong>Research:</strong> 8 programmes: 1) Defence and security 2) Foreign policy and EU studies 3) Global economy regulation and development 4) Holocaust and genocide 5) Migration 6) Natural resources and poverty 7) Politics and development 8) The Middle East</td>
<td>EU foreign policy Sub-Sahara Africa Middle East Mass atrocities Agriculture and development Migration between EU and Africa Security and conflict</td>
<td><strong>Total revenue:</strong> €9.9 million <strong>Core grant: Danish State</strong> €5.2 million = 53% <strong>Allocated grants for specified research activities:</strong> €1.5 million <strong>Income-generating research activities:</strong> €2.2 million <strong>Consultancies:</strong> €0.1 million <strong>Other grant-financed activities:</strong> €1 million</td>
<td><strong>Total EU funding:</strong> €0.4 million Researchers Postgraduate students Decision makers NGOs Journalists General public</td>
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<td>“Promote a deeper understanding of international affairs and of Estonia’s role in a changing world by providing a forum for informed discussion, analysis and debate”</td>
<td><strong>Publications:</strong> 2 publications a year (a yearbook is published every year) <strong>Events:</strong> - Public lectures - Seminars - Conferences (plus 3-4 big conferences per year with TEPSA) <strong>Commentaries to the media</strong></td>
<td>Regional security European Union integration and enlargement Developments in Russia</td>
<td><strong>Total revenue:</strong> €150,000 <strong>Strategic partners:</strong> Estonian MoFA: 90% <strong>Project-based funding:</strong> 10%</td>
<td>No EU funding</td>
<td>Politicians, diplomats and government officials Academics and students Media</td>
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<td>“to produce high quality, topical information on international relations and the EU”</td>
<td>EU policies</td>
<td>Total revenue: €3.6 million</td>
<td>Total EU funding: €15,373</td>
<td>Academic community</td>
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<td>Helsinki</td>
<td>“to combine academic and policy-relevant research […] in areas that are particularly relevant to Finland, the EU and international organisations”</td>
<td>Baltic region</td>
<td>Parliament: 88%</td>
<td>Decision-makers</td>
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<td><strong>Research:</strong> 3 programmes: 1) EU (internal/external) 2) EU’s Eastern Neighbourhood and Russia 3) Global Security</td>
<td>Defence and security</td>
<td>Outside project funding (Academy of Finland, BONUS, EEIG, Finnish MoFA): 10%</td>
<td>Key players and actors in foreign and security policy decision-making: parliamentary committees, NGOs, etc.</td>
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| **FONDATION ROBERT SCHUMAN** | “maintaining the spirit and inspiration of one of the ‘Founder Fathers’ of Europe and […] promoting European values and ideals both within the Union’s frontiers as well as beyond” | Publications:  
- Annual Schuman Report on Europe  
- State of the Union  
- Books  
- Weekly newsletter (200,000 subscribers, 5 languages)  
- Weekly Policy papers  
- European issues  
- Strategic paper  
- European Elections Monitor  
- Notes  
- Collection of European Interview  

Events:  
- Conferences  
- Workshops  
- Debates  
- Training  

Pro-EU advocacy: supports the creation of European information centres, partnership with the main French publishing houses | EU internal policies and institutional debate  
EU economics  
Human rights and migration  
Foreign policy, EU relations with neighbours | Total revenue: €2.1 million  
French government and Parliament: +/- 60%  
Private donations: corporate, individual | Total EU funding: €269,393  
Europe for Citizens: €134,114  
DG JUST (Criminal Justice Programme): €135,279 | Decision makers (politics, economy, media, etc.)  
Academics and students  
Wider public |

**Paris & Brussels**  

**Legal Status**  
Fondation reconnue d’utilité publique  

**Key Features**  
Founded in 1991 in Paris  

**Transparency register**  
Yes  

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**Mission statement**

“Produce analysis and policy proposals that strive for an ever closer union of the peoples of Europe”

“Bring these analyses and proposals to the attention of decision makers and opinion leaders”

“Promote the active engagement of citizens and civil society in the process of community construction and the creation of a European public space”

**Activities**

**Research: 3 axis:**
1) European Union and citizens
2) Competition, Cooperation, Solidarity
3) European external actions

**Publications:**
- Studies and reports
- Policy papers
- Tribunes
- Synthesis

**Events:**
- Public debates
- Seminars
- Conferences
- Workshops

**Public advocacy:**
“the President, the Board and the team take positions on issues judged to be vital to the future of the EU”

**Specialisations**

EU institutions, European democracy and elections, European parties and Parliaments, European identities, Mobility

Internal policies:
- Economic and monetary union,
- Cohesion, CAP,
- Energy, European Budget, internal market

Think global – Act European

EU and its neighbours

Regional integrations

**Funding (2010)**

Total Revenue: €1,412,000

European Commission: +/- 40%

French government: +/- 20%

Partnerships (Compagnia di San Paolo, MACIF): +/- 20%

Subscriptions: less than 10%

**EU Funding (2010)**

Europe for citizens: €631,912

**Stakeholders/Audience**

European and national decision-makers

Think tanks

European economic and social actors

Civil society, European citizens

Academics
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| **EU Funding (2010)** No EU funding  [Europe for Citizens (2011): €100,000] |
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<td>Provide policy-makers with strategic analysis and policy recommendations in relation to promoting stability and prosperity in South Eastern Europe, Turkey and the Caucasus</td>
<td><strong>Publications:</strong></td>
<td>Stabilisation, institution-building, “member state building” and economic development in the Western Balkans</td>
<td><strong>Total revenue:</strong></td>
<td>DG Enlargement (2010-2011) for the project “EU and Turkey’s silent revolution”: €50,000</td>
<td>International and national institutions</td>
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<td>Berlin &amp; Istanbul, Brussels</td>
<td>- Policy reports</td>
<td>EU visa-liberalisation policy towards the Western Balkans, Turkey and EaP countries</td>
<td>+/- €1 million</td>
<td>[amount for the whole project, in 3 installations (2010, 2011 and 2012): €135,000]</td>
<td>Brussels (EU institutions)</td>
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<td>(Present in 10 countries)</td>
<td>- Website (portals on enlargement, EU border and visa policy, and Turkey)</td>
<td>EU enlargement: Turkey, Western Balkans</td>
<td><strong>Core donor:</strong> OSI – Open Society Institute/Soros Foundation</td>
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<td>- Governments: mainly Sweden, UK, Norway, Switzerland</td>
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<td>- Lectures</td>
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<td>Founded in 1999 in Sarajevo by a group of policy analysts with extensive experience in the Western Balkans</td>
<td><strong>Capacity building seminars</strong> for young analysts in the Western Balkans and the Caucasus</td>
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**MISSION STATEMENT**

“To apply scholarly investigation to issues of European politics and integration, propose ways forward and promote the practical implementation of its research findings.”

**ACTIVITIES**

- **Research:**
  - 5 programmes:
    1) Debate on the future of the EU
    2) Germany & Europe
    3) Neighbourhood & Enlargement
    4) European Foreign & Security Policy
    5) Energy & Climate Policy

- **Publications:**
  - Annual Yearbook of European Integration
  - Quarterly journal Integration
  - Web projects
  - Policy papers

- **Events:**
  - Public events
  - Conferences
  - Study groups
  - Summer schools
  - Seminars on EU politics and policy

**SPECIALISATIONS**

- EU integration
- German EU policy
- CFSP
- Eastern Neighbourhood
- Climate change

**FUNDING (2010)**

- Total revenue: €1.1 million
- Government sources
- Foundations
- Donations and co-operation with universities and companies

**EU FUNDING (2010)**

- Europe for Citizens: €85,574

**STAKEHOLDERS/AUDIENCE**

- Policy-makers
- Civil society organisations (Europäische Bewegung Deutschland)
- Cooperatives (Europa-Union Deutschland)
- Citizens

**INSTITUT FÜR EUROPÄISCHE POLITIK E.V. (IEP)**

**Berlin**

**Legal Status**

Registered Association (Free NGO)

**Key Features**

Founded in 1959, “one of the first foreign and European policy research centres” in Germany

**Transparency register**

Yes

**Membership of European Consortiums**

TEPSA

**Legal Status**

Registered Association (Free NGO)

**Transparency register**

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**Membership of European Consortiums**

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<td><strong>Research: 6 areas:</strong> 1) Politics 2) Society 3) Economy 4) Education 5) Health 6) Culture</td>
<td>Global and European governance Participatory democracy EU and international politics Demographic and social trends Education and lifelong learning Intercultural dialogue, values and society</td>
<td>Total revenue: +/- €60 million Holdings in Bertelsmann AG: €51.4 million Cooperative partnerships (with other NGOs): +/- €10 million</td>
<td>No EU funding</td>
<td>Political, business and social leaders, esp. “representatives of other countries and cultures” Academic institutions Wider public</td>
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<td>Research: 8 areas: 1) EU Integration 2) EU External Summary 3) International Security 4) The Americas 5) Russian Federation/CIS 6) Middle East and Africa 7) Asia 8) Global issues</td>
<td>International relations EU and German external action Defence and security Global governance Regional conflicts and political developments (Middle East, Africa, Asia, Latin America)</td>
<td>Total revenue: +/- €13 million</td>
<td>German government and Bundestag: 90%</td>
<td>German Chancellery and Federal ministries, German Parliament</td>
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<td>German policy-makers in Brussels: Permanent Representation, MEPs, NATO delegation</td>
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| **DEUTSCHE GESELLSCHAFT FÜR AUSWÄRTIGE POLITIK E. V. (DGAP)** Berlin | “promoting public debate on foreign policy in Germany […] by bringing together high-ranking decision-makers from politics and business, scholars, and the interested public” | Research:  
- USA and Transatlantic Relations  
- Security Policy  
- Global Economy  
- Near- and Middle-East  
- Energy Policy  
- EU/Europe  
- Franco-German Relations  
- Russia  
- Transatlantic relations  
- Global governance | Total revenue: €8.3 million | No EU funding in 2010, but in the process of applying | Institutional, corporate and individual members: 2,500 |
| **Legal Status** | “practice-oriented research at the interface of politics, economics, science and medias” | German and EU foreign policy | Sponsors:  
- Auswärtiges Amt,  
- German Marshall Fund of the United States,  
- Robert Bosch Stiftung,  
- Deutsche Bank,  
- EADS, etc.*: + €25,000 | Occasional partner of EU projects | Policy-makers in Germany, Brussels, and other EU capitals |
| **Key Features** | Publications:  
- Papers  
- Journals (International Politik/German, IP Journal/English, Online)  
- Online knowledge portal (“aussenpolitik.net”) | Mediterranean and Middle East | Private donations through the “Foundation for Foreign Relations” created in 2010 | Business community in Germany |
| **Transparency register** | Events:  
- Conferences  
- Conversations  
- Study groups  
- Advice to foreign policy officials and members of parliament  
- Training  
- Summer schools  
- “Junge DGAP” | Russia | Membership fees | Think Tanks in the EU and the USA |
| **Membership of European Consortiums** | **Library:**  
Public library specialising in European, foreign and security policy | Global governance | *For a full list see annual report 2010 | |
| **DEUTSCHE GESELLSCHAFT FÜR AUSWÄRTIGE POLITIK E. V. (DGAP)** Berlin | **Total revenue:**  €8.3 million | **Sponsors:**  
- Auswärtiges Amt,  
- German Marshall Fund of the United States,  
- Robert Bosch Stiftung,  
- Deutsche Bank,  
- EADS, etc.*: + €25,000 | **Private donations** through the “Foundation for Foreign Relations” created in 2010 | **Membership fees** | **Stakeholders/Audience** |
| **Legal Status** | **Key Features** | **Transparency register** | **Membership of European Consortiums** | **Library:**  
Public library specialising in European, foreign and security policy | **Total revenue:**  €8.3 million | **Sponsors:**  
- Auswärtiges Amt,  
- German Marshall Fund of the United States,  
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- Deutsche Bank,  
- EADS, etc.*: + €25,000 | **Private donations** through the “Foundation for Foreign Relations” created in 2010 | **Membership fees** | **Stakeholders/Audience** |
| **Non-profit membership organisation (“gemeinnütziger Verein”)** | An independent, non-partisan, and non-profit membership organisation, think tank, and publisher created in 1945 | No, and not envisaged | EuroMeSCo EPIN | **Total revenue:**  €8.3 million | **Sponsors:**  
- Auswärtiges Amt,  
- German Marshall Fund of the United States,  
- Robert Bosch Stiftung,  
- Deutsche Bank,  
- EADS, etc.*: + €25,000 | **Private donations** through the “Foundation for Foreign Relations” created in 2010 | **Membership fees** | **Stakeholders/Audience** |
| **Key Features** | | | | | | | | |
**HELLENIC FOUNDATION FOR EUROPEAN AND FOREIGN POLICY (ELIAMEP)**

**Athens**

**Legal Status**
Public Benefit
Foundation governed by private law

**Key Features**
Founded in 1988 in Athens

**Transparency register**
No, and not envisaged

**Membership of European Consortiums**
EuroMeSCo
EPIN
TGAE

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<td><strong>to provide a forum for public debate on issues of European integration and international relations and to conduct scientific research that contributes to a better informed and documented knowledge</strong></td>
<td><strong>Research: 4 areas:</strong> 1) European Integration 2) Migration 3) Security and Regional Developments 4) Transatlantic Relations</td>
<td><strong>EU policies</strong></td>
<td><strong>Total revenue:</strong> +/- €1 million</td>
<td><strong>Total EU funding:</strong> €339,333</td>
<td><strong>Institutional Partners:</strong> Companies Embassies</td>
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<td><strong>Publications:</strong> - Books - Policy papers - ELIAMEP thesis - Working papers - Journal of Southeast European and Black Sea Studies - Briefing notes</td>
<td><strong>Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy</strong></td>
<td><strong>Grants and sponsorships:</strong> 50%</td>
<td><strong>FP6:</strong> A European approach to multicultural citizenship (ended 2009): €14,343</td>
<td><strong>Donations:</strong> 40%</td>
<td><strong>Board:</strong> Prominent personalities from academia, politics, media, business and the military</td>
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<td><strong>Events:</strong> - Workshops - Debates - Discussions - Conferences - Project meetings - Research and European seminars (annual high level meetings)</td>
<td><strong>Migration, integration and multiculturalism</strong></td>
<td><strong>Other: conference participation fees</strong></td>
<td><strong>FP7:</strong> - Successful Security Policy Transfer: €70,359 - European Media Policies Revisited: €89,665 - Pluralism and Religious Freedom in Orthodox Countries in Europe: €38,199</td>
<td><strong>Southeastern Europe</strong></td>
<td><strong>Audience:</strong> Academic &amp; research community Policy-makers on all levels</td>
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<td><strong>Training and briefings:</strong> Greek military officers and diplomats, foreign journalists, diplomats, policy analysts and delegations from military academies</td>
<td><strong>Greek foreign and security policy</strong></td>
<td><strong>European Direct Information Centre</strong> - Specific Agreement 2011: €15,050</td>
<td><strong>Mediterranean/Middle East</strong></td>
<td><strong>DG EAC, Lifelong Learning Programme:</strong> Economic Governance in the Eurozone and the EU: €45,000</td>
<td><strong>Civil society</strong></td>
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<td><strong>EU-Turkey relations</strong></td>
<td><strong>DG Employment, DG Justice:</strong> Fundamental Rights Situation of Irregular Immigrants in the EU: €67,160</td>
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**HELLENIC FOUNDATION FOR EUROPEAN AND FOREIGN POLICY (ELIAMEP)**

**Athens**

**Legal Status**
Public Benefit
Foundation governed by private law

**Key Features**
Founded in 1988 in Athens

**Transparency register**
No, and not envisaged

**Membership of European Consortiums**
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<td>“provides members with in-depth analysis of EU and international developments and their implications for Ireland and Europe”</td>
<td>Research: 4 flagship projects: 1) Climate Change &amp; Energy 2) Digital Future 3) International Financial Architecture 4) Future of Europe</td>
<td>Total revenue: €972,760 Primarily through membership subscriptions: Irish companies, multinationals based in Ireland, government departments, state institutions, individual subscriptions</td>
<td>No EU funding (although IIEA has received an operating grant from the European Commission in 2009 and 2011)</td>
<td>Stakeholders: All members Key audience: Irish Government and Parliament Industry and financial services NGOs Diplomatic corporations Academia Media</td>
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<td>“a forum for dialogue”</td>
<td>Publications: - Annual reports - Reports - Briefing notes - Books and pamphlets (within work programmes)</td>
<td>Additional: sponsorships, conferences and research projects</td>
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<td>“to promote an understanding of the problems of international politics [...] with the aim of increasing the opportunities of all countries to move in the direction of supranational organisation, democratic freedom and social justice” <em>(IAI bylaw, art.1)</em></td>
<td>Research: 7 areas: 1) EU Institutions and Policies 2) EU and Neighbourhood 3) Security and Defence 4) International Political Economics 5) Mediterranean and Middle East 6) Transatlantic Relations 7) Italian Foreign Policy</td>
<td>EU external action Mediterranean space Transatlantic relations</td>
<td>Total revenue: €2,669,227 Research Commissions: €734,394 International foundations and institutions (mainly the EU): €662,805 Private corporations: €671,973 Italian institutions (MoFA, agencies, etc.): +/- €200,160</td>
<td>Total EU funding: €568,595</td>
<td>Academia Civil society European and Italian institutions Media and general public</td>
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<td><strong>ISTITUTO AFFARI INTERNAZIONALI (IAI)</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Legal Status</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Key Features</strong></td>
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<td><strong>ISTITUTO PER GLI STUDI DI POLITICA INTERNAZIONALE (ISPI)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Milan&lt;br&gt;Legal Status&lt;br&gt;Non-profit-making private law association, under the supervision of the MoFA, and as far as its management is concerned, under the control of the State Auditor’s Department&lt;br&gt;Key Features&lt;br&gt;Founded in 1934, it was created not only as a centre for research but also as a training centre and a forum for discussion and debate at a high level&lt;br&gt;Transparency register&lt;br&gt;No, but envisaged&lt;br&gt;Membership of European Consortiums&lt;br&gt;EuroMeSCo</td>
<td>Research programmes:&lt;br&gt;- Africa&lt;br&gt;- Caucasus &amp; Central Asia&lt;br&gt;- European Union&lt;br&gt;- Mediterranean &amp; Middle East&lt;br&gt;- Russia &amp; EU Eastern Neighbours&lt;br&gt;- Security &amp; Strategic Studies&lt;br&gt;Research projects:&lt;br&gt;- South Asia (India, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Iran)&lt;br&gt;- Latin America (Argentina and Brasil)&lt;br&gt;- China &amp; East Asia&lt;br&gt;- Human Rights&lt;br&gt;- Disarmament&lt;br&gt;- Energy security&lt;br&gt;- Economic governance</td>
<td>International relations&lt;br&gt;International economics&lt;br&gt;European economic governance&lt;br&gt;Italian foreign policy</td>
<td>Total revenue: € 2,978,661&lt;br&gt;Training activities, research and conferences: +/- 50%&lt;br&gt;Membership fees: 20-25%&lt;br&gt;Income for services: 15%&lt;br&gt;Government contributions: +/- 3%&lt;br&gt;Other: +/- 10%</td>
<td>Service contract for the provision of training and support services for ECHO: €42,700&lt;br&gt;<strong>Representation of the European Commission in Milan</strong> (roundtable “Cittadini nell’Europa del futuro”): €10,000&lt;br&gt;<strong>Representation of the European Commission in Milan</strong> (conference “Crescita e competitività”): €10,000</td>
<td>National and international institutions&lt;br&gt;NGOs&lt;br&gt;Business community&lt;br&gt;Students&lt;br&gt;Academics and experts&lt;br&gt;Journalists&lt;br&gt;General public</td>
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<td><strong>CLINGENDAEL – NETHERLANDS INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS</strong></td>
<td><strong>Research:</strong> 4 programmes: 1) Diplomatic Studies* 2) European Studies 3) Security and Conflict 4) International Energy</td>
<td>Diplomacy</td>
<td><strong>Total revenue:</strong> €9,800,000</td>
<td><strong>Project-based funding:</strong></td>
<td>Dutch institutions</td>
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<td><strong>The Hague</strong></td>
<td><strong>Publications:</strong> - Papers - Articles - Books and chapters - Commentaries - Newsletters - Since January 2012 operated the website (euforum.nl)</td>
<td>European economic governance</td>
<td><strong>Institute’s activities</strong> (courses, seminars, research projects, workshops, etc.): +/- 70%</td>
<td><strong>- DG Education, Lifelong Learning Programme: Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence in 2010</strong></td>
<td>NGOs</td>
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<td><strong>Legal Status</strong> Non-profit foundation</td>
<td><strong>Events:</strong> - Conferences - Seminars - Roundtable discussions - Courses and lectures</td>
<td>EU external action</td>
<td><strong>Subsidies from the Dutch MoFA and MoD: +/-20%</strong></td>
<td><strong>- Partner of “Initiative for Peace-building” project</strong></td>
<td>Business community</td>
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<td><strong>Key Features</strong> Founded in 1993</td>
<td><strong>Training:</strong> courses in European relations and other subjects for (Dutch) civil servants and diplomats from ENP Eastern Neighborhood, Central Asia, Southern Africa, Middle East and North Africa (MENA), Sudan, Southern Africa, Great Lakes, India &amp; Pakistan, South East Asia</td>
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* Since January 2012, renamed Geopolitics (transnational governance, new powers, diplomacy)
**INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS (ISP)**

**Warsaw**

**Legal Status**
Non-profit, non-governmental organisation

**Key Features**
Founded in 1995 in Warsaw

**Transparency register**
No, but envisaged

**Membership of European Consortiums**
EuroMeSCo (founding member)
EPIN

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### Mission statement

“To elevate the quality of Polish and European public debate, to make it merit-oriented and focused on problem-solving and knowledge-building”

“To engage individual citizens and groups of citizens in public debate and other forms of active participation in public life”

“To enhance the quality of public policy in Poland through initiating legal and institutional change”

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### Activities

**Research:** 5 programmes:
1) European Programme
2) Social Policy
3) Civil Society
4) Migration
5) Law and Democratic Institutions

**Publications:**
- Books
- Reports
- Communiqués
- Policy papers

**Events:**
- Seminars
- Conferences
- Roundtables

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### Specialisations

- Polish institutions and public debate
- European integration
- Polish European and Foreign policy, Social policy, migration and integration policy
- Law and justice
- Polish and European civil society
- Central and Eastern Europe

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### Funding (2010)

- Total revenue: +/- €2 million
- Various public and private sources: 90%
- Services, operating and financial incomes: 10%

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### EU Funding (2010)

- Total EU funding: €429,014
- Europe for Citizens: €77,119
- EC programmes (European Social Fund, European Refugee Fund, European Fund for integration of third-country nationals): €339,879
- European Parliament: €12,015

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### Stakeholders/Audience

Key audience in Poland, EU, Eastern Partnership countries, Russia:
- Experts
- Politicians
- Journalists
- Civil servants
- NGOs
- Academia and students

Project partners:
Other think tanks in Poland and Europe
Embassies in Poland
German political foundations
Polish network and NGOs
Polish media
European Institutions
Polish Institutes in Germany and Ukraine
Member of the Policy Association for an Open Society (PASOS)
Member of Network of Democracy Research Institutes

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**Transparency register**
No, but envisaged

**Membership of European Consortiums**
EuroMeSCo (founding member)
EPIN

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| **POLISH INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (PISM)** | Research: 5 programmes:  
1) International Security  
2) Energy, Climate, Law  
3) Global Issues  
4) Bilateral Relations in Europe  
5) European Union | EU integration  
Global governance  
International political economy  
Non-proliferation and disarmament  
European Neighbourhood Policy | Total revenue: €2,525,767  
**Primarily** publicly funded | Total EU funding  
Academia  
NGOs and think tanks |
| Warsaw | Publications:  
- Reports  
- Strategic files  
- Policy papers  
- Bulletin  
- Research papers  
- Expert reports  
- Books  
- Journals (Polish Diplomatic Review, International Affairs, The Polish Quarterly of International Affairs and the Yearbook of Polish Foreign Policy) | | | | |
| Legal Status | Events:  
- Conferences  
- Discussions  
- Seminars | | | | |
| State legal body governed by public law | Diplomatic academy | | | | |
| Key Features | | | | | |
| Founded in 1996 | | | | | |
| Transparency register | | | | | |
| No, and not envisaged | | | | | |
| Membership of European Consortiums | | | | | |
| No | | | | | |
**DEMOSEUROPA – CENTRE FOR EUROPEAN STRATEGY**

**Warsaw**

**Legal Status**
Private, non-profit foundation operating under the Polish law

**Key features**
Incorporated in July 2006

**Transparency register**
Yes

**Membership of European Consortiums**
EPIN

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<td>“a platform for public debate and exchange of ideas on European integration, the European Union’s position at the global stage, broadly defined international relations and globalisation”</td>
<td>Research: 3 programmes: 1) ReNewed Europe (future policy) 2) Economy and society of tomorrow 3) The EU and the new global contract</td>
<td>EU integration  EU economics  EU foreign policy  Innovation and Entrepreneurship  Energy and Climate  EU Enlargement and Neighbourhood  EU-China relations  Emerging Powers</td>
<td>Total Revenue: €870,679</td>
<td>Total EU funding (the “New Atlantic Capitalism” programme): €78,600</td>
<td>Policymakers in Poland and at EU level  Decision-makers in Poland and at EU level  Business  Media  Academia  Independent experts and think tanks  Wider public in Poland and in Europe</td>
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<td>“The Centre’s activities are founded on the belief that the active role of Poland in Europe is a prerequisite to the best interests of the State and its citizens”</td>
<td>Publications: - Commentaries &amp; policy papers - Reports - Articles - Videos</td>
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<td>Events: - Lectures - Conferences - Seminars</td>
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Total Revenue: €870,679

**Business activity:** +/- 50%

**Statutory activity:** +/- 50%

[includes grants from British Embassy (+15%), MoFA (5-10%), Batory Foundation]
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| “promotion of research and debate on international issues in its various dimensions – political, military, economic, social, cultural and information” | **Publications:**  
- Bimonthly journal  
- Biannual magazine  
- Articles  
- Analyses | **Regions:**  
- Europe  
- Mediterranean  
- Middle East  
- Africa  
- Latin America  
Decision-makers, military, diplomats and politicians  
Journalists and the media  
Academia and students  
Business community |
| **Events:**  
- International conferences  
- Seminars | **Research themes:**  
- Regional integration and cooperation  
- International and interregional cooperation  
- Foreign policy  
- Security and defence (at Portuguese and European levels)  
- Transition to democracy, security and stability | **Funding tied to specific activities:**  
100% | | | |

**INSTITUTO DE ESTUDOS ESTRATÉGICOS E INTERNACIONAIS (IEEI)**  
Lisbon

**Legal Status**  
Independent and non-profit organisation

**Key Features**  
Founded in 1980

**Transparency register**  
No

**Membership of European Consortiums**  
TEPSA  
EuroMeSCo (initiator)
**SLOVAK FOREIGN POLICY ASSOCIATION (SFPA)**

**Bratislava**

**Legal Status**
Civic association performing publicly beneficial duties

**Key Features**
Founded in 1993; the Research Centre SFPA (RC SFPA) replaced the former (MoFA-dependant) Slovak Institute for International Studies in 1995, as an integral part of the SFPA and an independent non-profit organisation since January 2004 constituting the first independent, NGO, think tank in the Slovak Republic

**Transparency register**
No

**Membership of European Consortium**
EPIN

**Mission statement**
“Its overall goal is to enable open space for free exchange of opinions and ideas on the scope of foreign policy”

an “open discussion forum on international affairs and the Slovak foreign policy”

“to actively support integration of the Slovak Republic into the community of democratic countries and their political and security structures”

**Activities**
- **Research:**
  - 5 programmes:
    1) European Studies
    2) International Security
    3) Central and Southeastern Europe
    4) Eastern Europe
    5) Economic Policy and Development Aid

- **Publications:**
  - Bimonthly journal (in Slovakian)
  - International Issues & Slovak Foreign Policy Affairs and the journal Foreign Policy
  - Occasional papers focusing on international issues
  - Yearbook of Foreign Policy of the Slovak Republic
  - Monographs and anthologies
  - Topical analyses or comments
  - Occasional monographs
  - Anthologies

- **Events:**
  - Discussion meetings focusing on policy issues
  - Conferences (“National Convention on the EU” launched in 2004)
  - Informal open discussions (“Jour Fixe”)
  - Lectures (“Modern Foreign Policy programme”)
  - Secondary school debating clubs in several Slovak towns

**Specialisations**
- Foreign policy
- Slovak & EU relations
- EU integration
- EU neighbourhood

**Funding (2010)**
- **Total revenue:** €150,437 (SFPA)
- **Biggest contributors:**
  - Main donors from the field of energy industry – supporting an annual conference on the EU energy & security policy in Slovakia (15%); the mobile operator Orange (4%)
  - Project-based funding (projects of the Official Development Aid of the Slovak Republic): +/- 65%

**Membership fees:** 2%

**Donors:**
foundations (e.g. GMF, International Visegrad Fund, Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Friedrich Ebert Foundation) and non-governmental organisations, embassies (e.g. Belgium, Finland, Slovenia, Poland), domestic institutions, banks and corporate members (e.g. HP, BP, Orange, Siemens)

**Strategic partners:**
161 cooperating institutions (e.g. Carpathian Foundation)

**Stakeholders/Audience**
Members (most of them are university students): 660

Business companies (energy industry)

Cooperation with most diplomatic missions in Slovakia, the MoFA, the Slovakian Office of the Government, the Ministry of Economy

Slovakian legislative bodies

Universities in Slovakia and Central Europe

Slovakia’s embassies, embassies of foreign countries in Slovakia

European think tanks, European and overseas civil organisations
**BARCELONA CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (CIDOB)**

**Barcelona**

**Legal Status**
Private foundation; “an independent, non-partisan centre”

**Key Features**
Founded in 1973, one of the oldest and most influential think tanks in Spain

**Transparency register**
No, and not envisaged

**Membership of European Consortium**
EuroMeSco EPIN

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<td>“promotes good global governance based on democratic practices at the local, national and supranational level in order to ensure people’s basic needs for freedom and a life without fear”</td>
<td>Research: 6 programmes: 1) European Foreign Policy and Relations with its Immediate Neighbours 2) Security Sector Reform 3) Intercultural Dynamics 4) Migration Policy in Europe 5) International Relations of Cities and Regions 6) EU Enlargement</td>
<td>International relations and global governance EU external action Spanish Foreign Policy Geographic focus: - European Commission - Former Soviet Space - North Africa - Central Asia - Latin America</td>
<td>Total revenue: +/- €3 million Grants from Spanish and Catalan public institutions: 50% Project-based funding (competitive calls from national and international institution): 20% Private sponsorship: 20% Partnerships with foreign actors: 7% Own resources: 3%</td>
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**BARCELONA CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (CIDOB)**

**Barcelona**

**Legal Status**
Private foundation; “an independent, non-partisan centre”

**Key Features**
Founded in 1973, one of the oldest and most influential think tanks in Spain

**Transparency register**
No, and not envisaged

**Membership of European Consortium**
EuroMeSco EPIN

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**FUNDACIÓN REAL INSTITUTO ELCANO**

**Madrid**

**Legal Status**
Private, independent institution

**Key features**
Established in 2001 as a non-partisan – but not neutral – institution

**Transparency register**
No

**Membership of European Consortiums**
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| **FUNDACIÓN REAL INSTITUTO ELCANO** | Aims to establish a global strategy resulting in political proposals having a practical application  
“a forum for analysis and debate on international affairs and particularly on Spain’s international relations” | **Research: 4 programmes:**  
1) Spain’s Global Presence  
2) Energy and Climate Change: Challenges and Responses  
3) The Priorities of Global Security  
4) Spain and the Bicentennials | **Research themes:**  
Europe, Latin America, the Mediterranean and the Arab World  
The United States and Transatlantic Dialogue  
The Asia-Pacific region  
Sub-Saharan Africa  
Security and defence  
Economy and international trade  
International cooperation and development  
Spain's image abroad and public opinion  
Demographics and population  
Language and culture  
International organisations  
International terrorism | **Total revenue:** €4 million | **No EU funding** |
| **Government funding** (MoFA, MoD, Ministry of Economy and Competitivity, Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport): 25% | **Private sector** (annual contributions from the firms represented on its Board of Trustees or Business Advisory Council): 75% | **Private sector** (part of Board of Trustees (e.g. BBVA, Telefónica, Iberia): +/-16 |
| **Media** | **Government institutions, political figures, high officials** | **Spanish decision-makers both public and private, active on the international scene** |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| **SWEDISH INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (UI)** Stockholm | “To analyse the circumstances of the world’s countries and provide an in-depth knowledge based on research, global events and processes in our world” | **Research:**  
Geographic foci:  
1) Europe  
2) North America  
3) Russia  
4) East Asia  
**Research themes:**  
1) Foreign policy and international negotiations  
2) Defence and security  
3) Democracy and development  
4) Governance and institutions  
5) Globalisation and information society | Swedish foreign policy  
EU external relations  
EU internal security  
Internet and democracy  
Security and development  
Private business, security and conflict | **Total revenue:** €3.9 million  
**Grants** for research projects  
**Sales from publications, and income from public events** (fees)  
**Contribution** from the Swedish MoFA | **FP7:**  
- Domestic Security Systems in Europe (2010-2012)  
Swedish government and Parliament  
Academia  
Industry  
Embassies, consulates, organisations  
Media  
General public, including schools and libraries  
**Brussels:** Joint partnership with the European Policy Centre (since 2004, a series of common task forces on “societal security” questions) |

**Legal Status**  
Non-profit organisation

**Key Features**  
Founded in 1938; “the oldest international affairs institute in the Nordic region”

**Transparency register**  
No

**Membership of European Consortiums**  
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| **SWEDISH INSTITUTE FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES (SIEPS)** Stockholm | “3 missions:  
- to conduct analysis and research on current developments in the EU and Swedish European policy;  
- to spread (and make available) this research and analysis to policymakers at various levels;  
- to be active in international networks and exchanges within our field” | **Research: 6 areas:**  
1) European Economic Policy  
2) EU Political and Constitutional System  
3) Common Climate and Energy Policy  
4) EU External Relations  
5) European Internal Market – Challenges for Free Movement  
6) Member States and European Integration | EU integration  
EU economics  
EU internal and external policies | Total revenue: +/- €1.5 million | No EU funding |
| **Legal Status** | | | | Public funding (budget voted annually by the Swedish Parliament): 100% | Swedish (and to some extent European) policymakers at all levels |
| **independent governmental institute”; Swedish public agency** | | | | | |
| **Key Features** | | | | | |
| Founded in 2002 | | | | | |
| **Transparency Register** | | | | | |
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**Course for European Reform (CER)**

**London & Brussels**

**Legal Status**
Company limited by guarantee

**Key features**
Founded in 1998

**Transparency register**
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**Membership of European Consortiums**
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<td>Quasi-exclusively funded by donations from the private sector, either core funding (corporate, individual subscribers) or project-based (sponsorship of events, projects, publications)</td>
<td>Occasional contracts with the EU, most recently for an economics conference</td>
<td>Development and networking in Brussels</td>
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**Publications:**
- Reports
- Essays
- Working papers
- Policy briefs
- Briefing notes
- Opinion papers
- CER bulletin

**Events:**
- Seminars
- Conferences and meetings with high-profile speakers
- Brussels breakfasts

**Provide advice to** European governments and to EU institutions

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**CENTRE FOR EUROPEAN REFORM (CER)**

**London & Brussels**

**Legal Status**
Company limited by guarantee

**Key features**
Founded in 1998

**Transparency register**
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**CHATHAM HOUSE**

**London**

**Legal Status** NGO, non-profit organisation

**Key features:** Founded in 1920, Chatham House is also known as the Royal Institute of International Affairs

**Transparency register** No

**Membership of European Consortiums** No

**Research**


**Publications:**
- Reports and papers (60/year)
- Programme papers
- Working papers
- Event summaries
- *The World Today*, monthly magazine
- *International affairs*, journal
- Books on international affairs

**Events:**
- Conferences
- Members events
- Research meetings and workshops

**Subscriptions fees for conferences:** 15%

**Membership subscriptions:** 22%

**Fundraising and donations:** 11%

**Investment return:** 2%
**EUROPEAN COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS (ECFR)**

**Mission statement**
“to conduct research and promote informed debate across Europe on the development of coherent and effective European values based foreign policy”

**Activities**
Activities include primary research, publication of policy reports, private meetings and public debates, “Friends of ECFR” gatherings in EU capitals and outreach to strategic media outlets

**Publications:**
- Reports
- Articles
- Policy papers
- Briefings
- Commentaries
- Blogs and audio podcasts

**Advocacy:**
- Conferences
- Discussions
- Roundtables

**ECFR** has national offices in seven European capitals (Berlin, London, Madrid, Paris, Rome and Warsaw) which are platforms for research, debate, advocacy and communications

**Programmes:**
1) Wider Europe
2) China
3) Middle East and North Africa

**Cross-cutting research:**
1) Human rights
2) Security & Defence

**Specific research projects and special initiatives:**
1) Germany in Europe
2) Reinventing Europe
3) European Foreign Policy Scorecard

**Funding (2010)**
- **Total revenue:** €2.91 million
- **Foundations:** 86%
- **Business:** 7%
- **Governments:** 4%
- **Individuals:** 3%

**EU Funding (2010)**
No EU funding

**Board of over 170 politicians, decision-makers, thinkers and business people from EU member states and candidate states**

**Audience:**
European foreign policy community

Influential voices in foreign policy in Europe and in key places beyond

Europe’s citizens, students and academics

Member of Policy Association for an Open Society (PASOS)

**Legal Status**
Not-for-profit company limited by guarantee

**Key Features**
ECFR is a pan-European think tank founded in 2007 with affiliation to the Open Society Foundations, registered in February 2010 as an independent private company limited by guarantee in England and Wales, ECFR is also a registered charity

Anti-fraud and bribery policies in place

**Transparency register**
No

**Membership of European Consortiums**
TEPSA