Governing Ocean Resources

What role for Europe?

Invitation to a Lunch Briefing

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The rush for resources from the deep sea is on: Enabled by technological advances and driven by geopolitical, economic and scientific motivations, state and non-state actors alike are increasingly venturing to the edges of the continental shelves and into areas beyond national jurisdiction in search of new resources such as mineral deposits, oil and gas, biological including genetic resources as well as gas hydrates. This briefing will discuss new research perspectives on the political, environmental, social and legal implications of these activities as well as Europe's role in the global ocean governance system and the ongoing negotiations on the future of this system.

Keynote Address

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