

CONFERENCE

The European Investment Bank and Environmental Protection: The History of the EIB's Environmental Strategy from the 1970s to the 1990s.

Alcide de Gasperi Research Centre

Sala dei Cuoi, Villa Salviati

9 March 2023 – 15:00 – 17:00

ABSTRACT

In this Conference, Alcide de Gasperi Centre research fellow Jacopo Cellini will present his research on the European Investment Bank's (EIB) approach to environmental protection from the 1970s to the 1990s. Drawing on the growing academic literature on the early stages of the European environmental policy, and on an extensive use of primary sources, this research traced the relevance of environmental issues in the Bank's activity and investment strategies, with a view to painting a broader picture of the emerging discussion on environmental protection, which involved institutional and non-institutional actors.

Discussants Prof. Corinna Unger and Dr. Laura Iozzelli will contextualize the study within the research perspectives on environmental history and the EIB currently ongoing at the EUI.

PROGRAMME

15:00 Welcome and opening remarks

- Chair: Emmanuel Mourlon-Druol – Professor of History of European Cooperation and Integration, EUI
- Dieter Schlenker – HAEU Director
- Henry von Blumenthal – Deputy Dean, EIB Institute
- Zuzana Kaparova – EIB Environmental Specialist

15:20 Speakers

- Jacopo Cellini – Research Fellow, EUI
- Corinna Unger – Professor of Global and Colonial History, EUI
- Laura Iozzelli – Research Fellow, EUI

16:00 Q & A

16:30 Visit to HAEU