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GEOPOLITICS SECURITY AND PEACE

Geopolitics, Security, and Peace in the Era of Disruptive Technologies



Who Governs the Invisible Front Line: Is Technology the
New Sovereign?

Description

The digital frontier has become the primary arena of global competition. As artificial intelligence, massive data sets, and critical digital infrastructures redefine power, traditional frameworks of international relations are being disrupted. This course offers a sophisticated analysis of Big Tech companies as emerging geopolitical actors whose external actions increasingly shape geopolitics, global security, and the evolving peace order. Their influence on regulation, information flows, and strategic dependencies is redefining the international system and global governance. As power shifts toward control of platforms, data, and digital infrastructures, participants will explore how states, corporations, and international organizations compete and cooperate within this landscape—where technological capabilities reshape sovereignty, diplomacy, and the balance between conflict and stability.

Core strategic pillars

- **Techno-Sovereignty & Strategic Autonomy:** Analyze the shift from territorial to digital borders, where control of critical infrastructure—from subsea cables to satellite constellations—is a prerequisite for national security. We examine how “Digital Autonomy” enables states to resist Big Tech influence and maintain independent decision-making in a bipolar technological landscape.
- **Hybrid Defense & Weaponized Connectivity:** Study the impact of AI-driven warfare and asymmetric threats, focusing on how states must adapt to the weaponization of data, cyber-sabotage, and systemic risks posed by a hyper-connected global defense architecture.
- **Algorithmic Governance & Global Stability:** Explore the need for new multilateral frameworks and “Cyber-Peacebuilding” strategies to prevent algorithmic escalation and ensure international stability in an automated age.

Professional impact

Participants will develop expertise to navigate the intersection of technology and geopolitics, assess hybrid threats, advise governments and organizations on digital security strategies, influence international policy, and contribute to global stability, resilience, and peace in a rapidly evolving, technology-driven world.

Triple International

Certification

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Duration

12 hours Online – 3 Days

Fees: 1200 Euros