

Pursuing the Rooseveltian Century

European Forum on US History

September 2025 – May 2026



The RIAS, in collaboration with six other European institutions, is launching the European Forum on US History, a new monthly hybrid seminar series on US history. Our partnership consists of the following research centres:

- American Studies Center, University of Warsaw (Warsaw, Poland)
- Centre d'Histoire de Sciences Po (Paris, France)
- Centro di Studi sugli Stati Uniti LAB-USA (Bologna, Italy)
- Instituto Franklin-UAH (Alcalá, Spain)
- Roosevelt Institute of American Studies (Middelburg, Netherlands)
- Rothermere American Institute (Oxford, Great Britain)
- University of Southern Denmark (Odense, Denmark)

Together, our seven institutes will curate a rotating, hybrid seminar series that deepens historiographical and interdisciplinary exchange, broadens our geographic reach, diversifies scholarly voices, and creates new opportunities for joint workshops, doctoral mentoring, and collaborative publications. By fostering an inclusive platform for scholars and reaffirming our shared commitment to cutting-edge research on US history, we sustain vital cross-border collaboration at a moment when restrictions on academic freedom make such partnerships more essential than ever.

This series, one of the very few of its kind in Europe, intersects with various significant historiographical trends, continuing the move towards a more integrated view of US and North American history. It pays special attention to the inclusion of global, imperial, transnational, and interconnected histories to reframe our understanding of the United States' place in the world and the emerging focus on international environmental history and issues.

The platform, which meets once a month in a hybrid format, encourages active participation from doctoral students and serves as an open and inclusive forum for discussing some of the most innovative recent scholarship. It aspires to bring together historians of different backgrounds and in different stages of their careers, foster a historiographical and interdisciplinary conversation, and critically consider the contemporary societal and political ramifications of the historical events under discussion.

Five of the seven partner institutes are members of the American Studies Network (ASN), a consortium of European American studies centres affiliated with the European Association for American Studies (EAAS).

Members

William Glass (American Studies Center)
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Invitation

TRUMP'S FOREIGN POLICY

LECTURER Francisco Rodríguez Jiménez

DATE Monday, 24 November 2025 at 17:00 to 18:30 CEST

LOCATION Online

Click on this <u>link</u> to register



Francisco Rodríguez Jiménez is Professor at the University of Extremadura. He was formerly a postdoctoral researcher at Harvard University; a Fulbright Scholar twice, at George Washington University and American University; and a Visiting Scholar at the Georgetown Americas Institute, the Instituto de Ciências Sociais in Lisbon, Johns Hopkins University—Bologna, etc. Francisco has edited several books, among the latest: Franquismo, Autarquía y Relaciones Internacionales en los «años del hambre»; US Public Diplomacy Strategies in Latin America during the Sixties; Estados Unidos y América Latina: entre Modernización y Contrainsurgencia; US Public Diplomacy and Democratization in Spain. Rodríguez-Jiménez's media appearances include, among others, Georgetown podcast Y Esto No es Todo; Fair Observer; NTN24; RTVE; RTP2-Portugal; ENJAKE-ETB; Cadena Cope; the Spanish podcast of the Washington Post; D-Max; Canal Sur. Rodríguez-Jiménez serves (or has acted) as an international reviewer for the European Commission's Research Agency (Horizon 2020 and Marie Curie Actions) and the Fulbright Screening Committees.

Trump did not invent "America First." That idea is almost as old as the United States itself. The **two** "souls" of US foreign policy have been taking shape since the late eighteenth century. On the one hand is the propensity of the United States to intervene in places far from its own borders; on the other, its tendency toward introspection and isolationism. Will the United States return to the path of multilateral foreign policy, or will the shadow of "international Trumpism" loom large, lasting even longer than Trump's current term?

To attend the lecture, **please register here**.

Program 2025-2026

Monday, 22 September 2025, 15:30 – 17:00 CEST

o Roundtable, Decentering the Study of U.S. History – A European Perspective

Monday, 27 October 2025, 17:15 – 18:45 CET

 Beth Wilson (Cardiff University), Slavery, Gender and Emotions in the Antebellum US South

Monday, 24 November 2025, 17:00 - 18:30 CET

 <u>Francisco Rodríguez Jiménez</u> (University of Extremadura/University of Salamanca), *Trump's Foreign Policy*

Monday, 26 January 2026, 17:00 – 18:30 CET

 Sylwia Kuźma-Markowska (University of Warsaw), Laboring in America: Polish-American Women and Labor Migration (1890s-1930s)

Monday, 23 February 2026, 17:00 – 18:30 CET

 Tom Meinderts (Sciences Po-Paris), Political Influence of the Christian Right on US Foreign Policy during the Reagan Administration (1981-1989)

Monday, 23 March 2026, 17:00 – 18:30 CET

 Roberta Ferrari (University of Bologna), Poor People's Movement and the Debate on Social Planning in the US during the 1960s

Monday, 20 April 2026, 17:00 – 18:30 CEST

<u>David E. Nye</u> (University of Southern Denmark), *The Great Energy Transition: American from 1876 to 1929*

Monday, 18 May 2026, 17:00 – 18:30 CEST

 Oliver Burtin (Sciences Po-Paris/Université de Picardie Jules Verne), The US Far Right In Historical Perspective





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