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International Policy Analyses and Global Society:

International energy policy between war and climate change

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Introductory session

1. Presentation of participants; expectations, motivations, interests

2. Seminar plan
   - Organisation
   - Performance requirements
   - Content (objectives / the „common thread“ / introduction to the topics)

3. Resources

4. Distribution of topics for presentations

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Organisation

Introduction session - online
Friday, 30.10.2026: 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Block seminar compact session – in person
* Friday, 15.01.2027: 9:00 am – 7:00 pm
Room U006; Nauklerstrasse
* Saturday, 16.01.2027: 9:00 am – 7:00 pm
Room 124, IfP

Consultation: Following the two compact sessions;
at any time: kai-uwe.schrogl@uni-tuebingen.de

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Performance requirements

1. **Presentation** (Powerpoint, max. 20 minutes):
   - supported by the texts on the website
   - complemented by max. four hypotheses (put at the beginning of your presentation) – these have to be checked with me at least the week before the compact session

2. **Hausarbeit** (according to examination rules) or
   Klausur (we will fix the date at the end of the compact sessions)

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Performance requirements

3. Credit Points[*1]

Performance fixed			Optional		
active **contribution**	**Presentation**	Credit Points	**A «Klausur»**	**B «Hausarbeit»**	Credit Points
X	**X**	**4 CP** (unmarked)	**X**	**X**	**4 CP** (marked)
				TOTAL	**8 CP**

[*1] based on the examination regulations of the IfP, validity for students of political science. Deviations from the study regulations of other faculties are possible.

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Performance requirements

3.1 «Klausur»

- a date for the test is set together in the block seminar

3.2. «Hausarbeit»

- regulations as defined in the examination regulations of the IfP (6’000 words, etc.)
- Process compact:
  a) create an abstract
  b) feedback from me
  c) preparation and finalization of the «Hausarbeit»

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Performance requirements

3.3. «Essay» (only for exchange students)

- regulations as defined in the examination regulations of the IfP (3'000 words, etc.)
- Process compact:
  a) create an abstract
  b) feedback from me
  c) preparation and finalization of the essay
  → 2 credit points marked

4. Recording your performance

- Register in Alma for the booking of services
- Decide before the compact session whether you want a written examination or writing an academic paper
- We will ask for your decision at the compact session

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Performance requirements

5. Support

- Questions about your CPs
  Contact: Assistenz-Prof.Dr.Schrogl@gmx.de
  Office hours: TUE | THU
- Questions about registration, confirmation of results, etc.
  Contact: examination office (pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de)

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Content

Objectives:

- Gaining an overview on the issue area „international energy policy“ and its growing importance for global politics.
- Learning about the main actors, institutions and levels of energy policy.
- Identifying current problems and conflicts and their historical contexts in the form of case studies.
- Developing explanations for the initiation and change of different international formats of cooperation.

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Content

The „common thread“:

- Energy policy has to deal with a conflict of objectives between: energy security – energy efficiency – environmental effectiveness.
- The international issue area is constituted by distributive conflicts.
- These conflicts are growing in their potential threat for peace (energy as weapon).
- States again increase their influence and interference.
- So far, there exist no promising approaches for conflict management.

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Topics for presentations I

A. The core energy debate – The triangle of energy policy objectives

(For each element: core features; benefits and disadvantages; conflicts with the two other elements)

1. **Energy Supply Security - and energy as a weapon**
2. **Energy Economic Efficiency - and social unrest**
3. **Energy Environmental Sustainability - and climate action**

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Topics for presentations II

B. Energy sources

(For each a SWOT: strengths; weaknesses; opportunities; threats)

4. **Carbon energy sources: oil, gas and fracking, coal**
5. **Nuclear energy**
6. **Renewable energy sources: solar, water, wind, hydrogen**
7. **Visionary energy sources: fusion, solar power satellites**

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Topics for presentations III

C. Energy policies: regional focus

(Governance; policies; assessment regarding the triangle)

8. **USA**
9. **EU**
10. **Russia**
11. **Near East**
12. **Africa, Asia and Latin America**
13. **Geoengineering – The easy way out?**

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Topics for presentations IV

D. Theoretical Approaches

(Key features of the approach; application before and after 24 February 2022; strengths and weaknesses of the respective approach)

14. Neorealism
15. Neoliberal institutionalism
16. International Political Economy
17. Rentierism

E. Concluding discussion

18. PROJECT: The triangle of energy policy objectives revisited: European energy policy between war and climate change

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1. **Energy Supply Security - and energy as a weapon**
   Freund, Daniel
2. **Energy Economic Efficiency - and social unrest**
   Okcuoglu, Isobel
3. **Energy Environmental Sustainability - and climate action**
   Syeda, Sukaina Hyder Shah

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Resources

1. Overview reading at: **https://schrogl.com**
   Password: **TechnologyPolicyTuebingen**

2. Journals (lead journal: Energy Policy at Elsevier, journal for practice: Energiewirtschaftliche Tagesfragen, journal for academia: Zeitschrift für Energiewirtschaft)

3. Relevant IOs (i.a. IEA/OECD, UN-Energy/SDGs, World Bank, EC)

4. Think Tanks (i.a. Wuppertal Institut für Klima, Umwelt, Energie; DGAP; SWP)

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