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Two new research projects started at the University of Luxembourg that focus on the early history of European integration in the context of the Cold War. Both are led by Dr Spero Paravantis, Senior Research fellow in International History at the University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg Centre for Contemporary and Digital History.


Unifying research on Cold War and European Integration

The first project investigates the relationship between the USA and the Benelux countries in the early phase of the Cold war as well as the significance of American financial intervention for the European integration movement. It is funded by the FNR Core Junior programme.

The second project examines how Western European Union foreshadowed the development of a European Security Strategy in the 1950s. The project secured funding as an Internal Research Project at the University of Luxembourg.

Principal Investigator Spero Paravantis comments: "Traditionally, the histories of the Cold War and European Integration have been studied separately, despite both developing at the same time and involving many of the same actors. As a result, we have been left with an incomplete picture of the origins of both. These projects, placed more or less at their beginning, in the aftermath of World War II, will produce outputs that clarify this period, and contribute to the unification of the historiographies."

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