

## **Ambassador Wendelin Ettmayer**

## "The Diplomatic Revolution in Europe: Repercussions on the Transatlantic Relations"

**Date and time:** Friday, 31 March 2017, 10.00-12.00

**Location:** Französische Straße 23, 5<sup>th</sup> floor, 10117 Berlin

## Abstract

In his lecture, Ambassador Wendelin Ettmayer will give an account of the development of the European integration process within the field of foreign policy, including its successes and shortcomings. In particular, Ambassador Ettmayer will elaborate on how the objective of diplomacy in Europe changed from maintaining balance of power to safeguarding peace and security through cooperation and integration. Against this background, he will discuss the implications of the European project for the transatlantic relations.

## Bio

Wendelin Ettmayer, Austrian diplomat, politician and author, received his doctor in law degree from the University of Vienna in 1966. After graduating from the Diplomatic Academy in Vienna, he entered into the Asutrian diplomatic force in 1969. Following two years of service in the Austrian Foreign Ministry (and military service) he was seconded to head the office of Alois Mock, then deputy leader of the Christian Democratic People's Party (ÖVP) and later foreign minister. Between 1977 and 1993 Ettmayer was Member of the Austrian National Parliament, Deputy Chairman of the Audit committee, member of the committees on constitution, internal security, science and education, foreign affairs and Austrian industries. He served as Ambassador to Finland from 1994 to 2000 (with additional accreditation to Estonia) and to Canada between 2000 and 2003 (with additional accreditation to Jamaica) and to the Council of Europe in Strasbourg from 2005 to 2008. From 2004 -2005 Ettmayer hold the position of Head of the department for bilateral and multilateral economic relations in the Austrian Foreign Ministry. Ambassador Ettmayer published a number of articles and books on the role of diplomacy, Austrian foreign policy, the state of Europe and transatlantic relations.

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