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Germany first? The nation-centered policies of export surplus, energy transition and Eurozone debt Do 10-12:00 (IIP I, PFA I) Prof. Dr. Stefan Schirm
Beschreibung
Germany traditionally supports multilateral economic rules and European integration. In the last decade, however, German governments pursued unilateral, nation-centered policies in several key economic policy areas, for instance, by opposing the regulation of export surpluses to reduce global imbalances, by imposing austerity rules in the Eurozone crisis, and by deciding to phase-out nuclear energy without embedding this course in a multilateral European agreement. Why did German governments pursue nation-centered economic policies that privilege national concerns and unilateralism over multilateral compromise? The seminar analyzes these cases by applying domestic politics theories to governmental preference formation such as the liberal theory of IR/IPE (Moravcsik, Milner), historical Institutionalism (Fioretos) and the societal approach (Schirm). The investigation will correlate instances for German nation-centered policies with domestic alignments between material interests of lobby groups and ideational expectations of voters as well as with domestic institutions and governmental/media framings.
Voraussetzungen für Studiennachweise / Modulprüfungen
Studiennachweis: aktive Teilnahme an der wöchentlichen Diskussion der jeweiligen Referate, fristgerechte Abgabe der Literaturberichte in der 3. und 4 Sitzung, Übernahme eines Referats mit Powerpoint-Präsentation. Modulprüfung: wie Studiennachweis inklusive Hausarbeit bzw. mündlicher Prüfung.
Teilnahmeveraussetzungen
Teilnahme an der Vorlesung „Einführung in die Internationalen Beziehungen“, Anmeldung per Campus Office (Start ab 01.03.2023), Anfertigung von Literaturberichten (eine Seite Zusammenfassung pro Text) zu den untenstehenden Texten bis zur 3. und 4. Sitzung. Ausreichende Kenntnisse der englischen Sprache.
Literaturhinweise

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- Ojala, Markus M & Harjuniemi, Timo J (2016) Mediating the German Ideology: Ordoliberal Framing in European Press Coverage of the Eurozone Crisis. *Journal of Contemporary European Studies* 24(3), 414-430.
- Polyak, Palma (2022) The silent losers of Germany's export surpluses. How current account imbalances are exacerbated by the misrepresentation of their domestic costs. *Comparative European Politics*, <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41295-022-00291-8>.
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