

European Yearbook of International Economic Law 2026 Open Call for Abstracts

The editors of the *European Yearbook of International Economic Law (EYIEL)* invite abstract submissions from scholars and practitioners at all stages of their careers for the 2026 edition.

This year's Focus Section will explore the theme: Reconstruction of International and European Economic Law. It proceeds from the observation that the international legal-economic order is undergoing profound transformation. Long-standing assumptions underpinning international and European economic law are increasingly challenged by shifting geopolitical dynamics, economic fragmentation, and the rise of new regulatory powers.

We particularly welcome contributions addressing – but not limited to – the following questions:

- What role do multilateral institutions (still) play?
- Are we witnessing a deconstruction of international and European economic law?
- Are there new elements emerging that may constitute a new economic legal order?
- How does the Belt and Road Initiative shape or challenge existing frameworks?
- What is the role of the "Brussels Effect" in shaping global standards?
- What are the implications if the U.S. no longer assumes responsibility for the global order?
- What role will the EU play in a transformed or multipolar global landscape?
- How can international and European economic law adapt to ongoing transformation?
- What solutions are available in IEL to make economic integration more acceptable to those who feel left behind by it?

In addition to the Focus Section, the **General Section** of the EYIEL 2026 will feature contributions addressing **Current Challenges**, **Developments**, and **Events** in international and European economic law. We also welcome reviews of case law, legal practice, and developments within international organizations.

Submission Guidelines:

- Abstracts should not exceed **500 words** and must clearly outline the central argument and significance of the proposed contribution.
- Please also include a **short biographical note**.
- Submissions should indicate whether they are intended for the **Focus Section** or the **General Section**.
- Submit abstracts by 30 November 2025 via email to: eyiel@leuphana.de

Timeline:

- Notification of acceptance: mid-December 2025
- Full papers due: 30 March 2026
- Final submissions will undergo **peer review** based on the development of the argument outlined in the abstract.



Please note:

- Articles should be analytical in nature; descriptive pieces will not be considered.
- Contributions must retain relevance beyond the short term, in keeping with the Yearbook's nature.
- Final submissions should not exceed **12,000 words** (including footnotes and references); shorter contributions are encouraged.
- All manuscripts must conform to **EYIEL citation guidelines**.
- Each submission must include an abstract and a biographical note.

The editors welcome informal enquiries and are open to proposals on any topic within the field of international and European economic law. Please contact us at eyiel@leuphana.de with any questions.