

SYLLABUS

Name of the course:	International Political Economy			
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University / organisation:	Berlin School of Economics and Law (HWR Berlin)			
Language of teaching:	English			
ECTS:	6.5			
Semester (S1, S2, S3 or S4):	S1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S2	S3	S4
Teaching method(s):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lecture courses		Flipped classroom	
	Other:	Seminar		
Type(s) of evaluation:	Sitting exam		Written report	
	Oral defence		Group project	
	Other comments:	Weekly Reading Responses (1 or 2 pages)		
Expected deadline(s) for the evaluation(s)	July			
Expected date of final results:	End of semester (30 September)			
Summary of the content:	<p>This course is concerned with the key economic and political transformations within contemporary capitalism. It consists of four modules. The first module is devoted to establishing a theoretical and historical background by introducing the main theories of International Political Economy (IPE) and by reviewing dynamics of the rise and fall of the Bretton Woods system and the globalization debate as two key concerns of the IPE scholars. The second module focuses on the peculiarities of the late industrialization experiences of developing countries during the 20th century and is concerned with the main issues in the political economy of development. The third module explores rising right-wing populism and crisis of liberal democracy as the political and economic consequences of the Great Recession of 2008. It also analyzes the dynamics of relatively declining hegemonic power of the USA and rise of middle-powers in international politics and economics. Finally, the last module concentrates on the case studies of the rising middle-powers.</p>			

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<p>Indicative list of lectures:</p>	<p>Main Theories in IPE</p> <p>Rise and Fall of the Bretton Woods System</p> <p>Globalization and the State</p> <p>Late Industrialization</p> <p>Developmentalism in the Global South</p> <p>Global Financial Crisis</p> <p>Relative Decline of the Global Hegemonic Power</p> <p>Challenges to Liberal Democracy and Rise of Populism</p> <p>Rise of Middle-Powers and Post-Neoliberalism</p> <p>Rising Powers - Case Studies: China and India, Russia and South Africa, Brazil and Argentina, Poland and Turkey.</p>
<p>Short bibliography:</p>	<p>No specific textbook will be followed. Instead a detailed list of articles will be provided and uploaded to the Moodle.</p>