



Leading Expert on the US and on Transatlantic Relations

Josef Braml is one of the most distinguished US experts of our time. His more than 20 years of research work and experience in academic policy consulting - at the DGAP, the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), the Aspen Institute, the Brookings Institution, the World Bank and as a legislative advisor in the US House of Representatives - make him one of the most sought-after experts on US foreign and security policy.

Braml earned a PhD in political science, sociology, and French cultural studies from the University of Passau. He also studied international business, languages, and cultural studies at the University of Passau and the University of Nice – Sophia Antipolis.

From 1997 to 1998 Braml was congressional fellow of the American Political Science Association and a member of the legislative staff in the US House of Representatives. Afterwards he was guest scholar at the Brookings Institution until 1999 and later in 1999 he became a consultant at the World Bank. In 2001 he became project leader at the Aspen Institute Berlin and in 2002 he became research fellow at the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP) in Berlin. From 2006 to 2021 he was a resident fellow of the Transatlantic Relations programme of the German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP). Since 2021 he is active in teaching and research at the Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn.

Josef Braml also works as Secretary General of the German Group and European Director of the Trilateral Commission in cooperation with the world's leading political and economic decision-makers in order to categorise and defuse the increasingly problematic effects of the great power rivalry between the USA and China for Germany and Europe.

With a doctorate in political science and a background in banking, he has written award-winning books and articles for leading German newspapers and international trade journals.

In his fascinating lectures, he explains the key players in the power struggle of American business and politics in a practical way. He also explains economic issues in broader geo-economic and geopolitical contexts. Thanks to his practical experience in Washington's political arena, at the World Bank and as an employee of leading global think tanks, Dr Josef Braml knows how to analyse transformative trends in the global economy and politics and to point out options for action. He is one of the most sought-after experts when it comes to getting to the heart of complex issues in a confusing world.

Topics (Selection):

- The new world order and how we can stand our ground in it The Narcissistic Nation : America, Europe, and the Psychology of Power
- The medium-term geopolitical and geostrategic implications
- Transitions in World Politics - How Stable is the Atlantic Bridge?
- Transatlantic imbalances