

# Global Gateway Forum 2025

9-10 October | Brussels

Partnerships in a  
Geopolitical Age

## Draft Agenda

Day 1 | Thursday  
9 October 2025

## State of the World

08:00 - 09:00	<i>Registrations and Welcome Breakfast</i>
09:00 - 09:20	<b>Keynote Speech by Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission</b>
09:20 - 11:00	<b>Statements by Heads of State and Government</b>
11:00 - 11:30	<b>Signature ceremonies</b>
11:30 - 12:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>
12:00 - 12:30	Networking / Bilateral meetings
12:30 - 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00 - 15:30	<b>Panel on the State of the World</b>
15:30 - 16:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>
16:00 - 17:30	<b>Panel on Looking at Connectivity through a Geostrategic Lens</b>
17:30 - 19:00	<i>Networking Reception</i>
As of 19:00	<i>High-level dinner hosted by Commissioner Síkela (by invitation only)</i>

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Day 2 | Friday  
10 October 2025

## Strategy

08:30 – 09:00 *Welcome Coffee*

09:00 – 10:30 **Panel on Strategising Partnerships – Global**

**Panel on Strategising Partnerships – Mediterranean region**

**Panel on Strategising Partnerships – Enlargement region**

10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee Break*

## Getting to Work

11:00 – 12:30 **Thematic session 1**  
Driving Sustainable and Strategic Transport Connectivity

**Thematic session 2**  
Two Sides of the Same Coin: Energy Security and Industrial Competitiveness in the EU's Global Gateway Strategy

**Thematic session 3**  
Geopolitics of digital connectivity: A shared quest for sovereignty

12:30 – 14:00 *Lunch*

14:00 – 15:30 **Scale up sessions – Global Gateway Flagship Projects**  
(by invitation only)

**Connectivity Interrupted – The Security Dimension**

**Getting to business with Global Gateway**

15:30 – 16:00 *Coffee Break*

## Connecting in a De-Risking World

16:00 – 17:30 **Closing Panel on Connectivity in a De-Risking World**

17:30 – 18:00 **Closing remarks**

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**Separate side event  
Wednesday 8 October 2025**

**3rd EU-Caribbean Global Gateway Conference on Sargassum**  
*(by invitation only)*