



CIVICA Honour Seminar @ Bocconi

"Green industrial policy in a global perspective"

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Brief overview

Why are countries increasingly turning to "industrial policy" as their primary strategy for transitioning from fossil fuels? This course examines the historical roots of industrial policies and how they have been translated into the contemporary policy architecture of a "green transition." We explore key industrial sectors targeted by contemporary green industrial policies, such as semiconductors, electric vehicles and renewable energy. This Seminar is global in scope and examines cases of green industrial policy in both high-income countries, like the US and the European Union, and middle-income contexts, like China, India, Brazil and South Africa.

The CIVICA Honour Seminar—taking place over **nine 1.5-hour lectures**—will explore aspects of these deep transformations and help students develop informed arguments on their root causes and initial consequences. To apply the insights gained through the course, students need to form six groups of five and develop a **presentation of 15-20 minutes** delving deeper on a topic covered in class (followed by class discussion of 10-15 minutes). Each group will need to include at least one non-Bocconi student. Detailed instructions on the presentation will be provided at the beginning of the course.

Required background

 No substantive requirements, but introductory courses on globalization, international political economy, economics and/or comparative politics will be helpful

Pre-requisites for participation

- Completion of limited pre-course reading material
- Collaboration with other students to process class readings and generate debate questions
- Active participation in class discussions, attendance in all lectures and side events, completion of the final collaborative assignment (presentation)





Schedule overview:

	Mon, 27 Jan	Tue, 28 Jan	Wed, 29 Jan	Thu, 30 Jan
9.30 - 11.00	Welcome and campus tour	The geopolitics of industrial policy	Sectoral study: Semicoductors	Group work
11.30 - 13.00	Industrial policy: a brief introduction (AK)	Sectoral study: Renewable energy	Group work	Group work
Lunch break @ Materia Restaurant				
14.00 - 15.30	New industrial policies in Europe	Sectoral study: Electric vehicles	Group work	Presentations, pt. 1 (AK)
16.00 - 17.30	New industrial policies globally (AK)	Class trip	Group work	Presentations, pt. 2 (GB)
18.00 – 22.00	Social activity			Social activity

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Readings TBC