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Understanding Foreign Policy making within Area Studies

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The proposed topic's main objective is to bridge the gap between area studies and IR with a particular focus on its subfield of foreign policy. This can be achieved through a reflection on a series of different regional examples borrowed from European studies and the Middle East to South Africa, Asia and China. These examples can enable scholars to problematize (1) the agency in foreign policy analysis and whether it is possible to reach a consensus in ontological matters; (2) epistemological approaches that can satisfy emerging challenges; or other (3) methodological aspects that demonstrate the ways in which institutions contribute to foreign policy decision making. Here, means such as economic, cultural and public diplomacy are also of critical value.

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