Federico Romero The place of Europe in the late Cold War rise of globalization

The talk will review the main interpretative assumptions on the late 20th century rise of globalization, relate them to the literature on the end of the Cold War, and focus on Europe's place in both strands of scholarship. It will argue that the Europeans' own agency remains in the background, even though intra-European détente, new tools of governance as the G-7, and the transformative projects concerning the EC\EU were in fact central to both processes. It will, finally, indicate research paths that might illuminate this complex nexus of international history and re-think the European experience in it.

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