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## Brief Bio

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[Dr. Thomas W. O'Donnell](#) is an international academic<sup>1</sup> and a Senior Energy and Geopolitical Analyst at [GlobalBarrel.com](http://GlobalBarrel.com); treating the geopolitics of the global oil and gas system, and energy transition strategies.

Regions he has addressed include the USA, EU (especially Germany), Russia, China and OPEC states of the Middle East and Latin America (esp. Venezuela, Iran and Saudi Arabia).

He currently teaches at Hertie School of Governance in Berlin, Germany (e.g., on [Geopolitics of Global Oil and Gas Markets](#)) and [Freie Universität's](#) European Studies Program-Berlin (FU-BEST) (e.g., on [European Energy Transitions](#)).<sup>2</sup>

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He is [often interviewed](#) in Eastern Europe, and Wikistrat; and TV networks, such as: Al Jazeera-Doha, TRT-London, EuroNews-France, and Deutsche Wella-Germany..

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***Dr. O'Donnell is available for consulting and analysis, including commissioned studies.***

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