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REJECTED EUROPE. BELOVED EUROPE. CLEAVAGE EUROPE?

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18 - 19 MAY 2017

INTRODUCTION

This conference takes up the question of how contestation over Europe has affected voters, party competition, party systems. Which theory or theories are most helpful in explaining the changing voter and party landscape in Europe? Are we seeing fundamental change in the basis of partisanship? How can one explain country variation? Does it make sense to conceive what is happening as de-alignment, realignment, or the creation of a new political cleavage? This conference brings together leading experts on political parties, public opinion, and European integration to explore and debate these questions.

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**PROGRAMME**

**18 MAY**

09.00 - 09.15  
Introduction  
Brigid Laffan | European University Institute

09.15 - 10.55  
**SESSION I**  
**A CHANGING PARTY POLITICAL LANDSCAPE**  
Chair  
Gary Marks | UNC-Chapel Hill

Sara B. Hobolt | London School of Economics  
Catherine de Vries | University of Essex  
Challenging the Mainstream  
Discussant  
Robert Rohrschneider | University of Kansas

Hanspeter Kriesi | European University Institute  
Swen Hutter | European University Institute  
The Politicization of European integration and its Location in the National Political Space  
Discussant  
Sarah de Lange | University of Amsterdam

10.55 - 11.15  
Coffee break

11.15 - 12.55  
**SESSION II**  
**CLEAVAGE EUROPE?**  
Chair  
Marco Steenbergen | University of Zurich

Gary Marks | UNC-Chapel Hill  
David Attewell | UNC-Chapel Hill  
Jan Rovny | Sciences Po  
Liesbet Hooghe | UNC-Chapel Hill  
Dealignment Meets Cleavage Theory  
Discussant  
Wouter van der Brug | University of Amsterdam

Theresa Kuhn | University of Amsterdam  
Bram Lancee | University of Amsterdam  
Oriane Sarrasin | University of Lausanne
Educational differences in euroscepticism: utilitarianism, values acquired at school or parental socialization?

Discussant
Simon Bornschier | University of Zurich

12.55 - 14.00 Lunch

14.00 - 15.40 SESSION III
CONCEPTIONS OF IDENTITY AND THE FUTURE OF EUROPE

Chair
Liesbet Hooghe | UNC-Chapel Hill

Maurizio Cotta | University of Siena
Pierangelo Isernia | University of Siena

Renationalization or further integration in the EU: Attempts to explanation in a context of plural asymmetric crises

Discussant
Florian Stöckel | University of Exeter

Julian Aichholzer | University of Vienna
Sylvia Kritzinger | University of Vienna
Carolina Plescia | University of Vienna

The Multinationality of Citizens’ National Identity and Support for the European Union

Discussant
Theresa Kuhn | University of Amsterdam

15.40 - 16.00 Coffee break

16.00 - 17.40 SESSION IV
PARTY POSITIONING ON EU MEMBERSHIP

Chair
Brigid Laffan | European University Institute

Edgar Grande | University of Munich
Tobias Schwarzbözl | University of Munich

Politicizing Europe in the UK. Dynamics of inter-party competition and intra-party conflict

Discussant
Sara B. Hobolt | London School of Economics

Milada Vachudova | UNC-Chapel Hill
Party Positions, EU Leverage and Democratic Backsliding in the Western Balkans and Beyond
Discussant
**Stephen Whitefield** | University of Oxford

Dinner

19 May

09.00 - 10.40
**SESSION V**
**MEASURING AND MANIPULATING EU POLITICIZATION**
Chair
**Hermann Schmitt** | University of Mannheim

**Ryan Bakker** | University of Georgia  
**Seth Jolly** | Syracuse University  
**Jonathan Polk** | University of Gothenburg  

Analyzing the Cross-National Comparability of Party Positions on the Social and EU Dimensions in Europe
Discussant
**Sebastian Popa** | University of Mannheim

**Konstantin Vössing** | Humboldt University of Berlin  
Talking Back: Policy Justifications and Counter-Justifications
Discussant
**Marco Steenbergen** | University of Zurich

10.40 - 11.00
Coffee break

11.00 - 12.40
**SESSION VI**
**RADICAL PARTIES IN PARLIAMENT**
Chair
**Milada Vachudova** | UNC-Chapel Hill

**Sarah de Lange** | University of Amsterdam  
**Harmen van der Veer** | University of Amsterdam  
**Wouter van der Brug** | University of Amsterdam  

The Radical Right in the European Parliament: Patterns of opposition and cooperation
Discussant
**Seth Jolly** | Syracuse University

**Zoe Lefkofridi** | University of Salzburg  
**Alexia Katsanidou** | GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences  
Transnational Party Competition? Transnational Political Groups’ Positions and Ideological Coherence
13.40 - 16.00  

**SESSION VII**  
**QUO VADIS, EUROPE?**  

Chair  
**Hanspeter Kriesi** | European University Institute  

**Hermann Schmitt** | University of Mannheim  
**Sebastian Popa** | University of Mannheim  
**Daniela Braun** | University of Mannheim  

Responding to the crisis: Mainstream and Eurosceptic parties of the left and right and their changing position towards the European Union  

Discussant  
**Jan Rovny** | Sciences Po  

**Hanna Kleider** | University of Georgia  
**Florian Stöckel** | University of Exeter  

Left-wing but Unwilling to Support international redistribution? Explaining public support for Fiscal Transfers in the EU  

Discussant  
**Konstantin Vössing** | Humboldt University of Berlin  

**Stephen Whitefield** | University of Oxford  
**Robert Rohrschneider** | University of Kansas  

Reshaping European Party Competition: The Impact of Integration on Left, Right and Centre  

Discussant  
**Catherine de Vries** | University of Essex  

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**20 MAY**  

09.00 - 14.00  
Closed CHES meeting in Sala del Capitolo
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