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Research Seminar

Autumn 2010, Mondays, 13.00 to 15.00 – Sala Belvedere

The Integration of Europe: interpretations and research issues

In the second half of the 20th century Western Europe renegotiated its position in the wider world while at the same time promoting its own economic and institutional integration. Closely intertwined, these two processes thrived – at least in part – from the same premises and concepts, and directly influenced each other almost at every step.

The seminar will focus on these multiple interactions by exploring the increasing relevance of international and trans-national relations to the dynamics of European integration. It will first deal with historical interpretations on the issues of war, peace, empire and decolonization in post-war Europe. It will then discuss the historiography of European integration, its acquisitions and trends. The second part of the seminar will concentrate on the areas and international policy issues that most affected European integration in the 1970s and 1980s, and discuss the transformation of Europe's external relations as well their influences on the emerging notion of a European identity. The seminar will encourage presentations by researchers and will be concluded by a workshop on research trends with external experts.

11 October 2010	Rethinking Europe: Warfare to Welfare:	James J. Sheehan, Where Have All the Soldiers Gone?: The Transformation of Modern Europe (Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2008), especially pp. XIII-7, 161-97, 215-27 Tony Judt, Postwar: A History of Europe Since 1945 (New York: Penguin Press, 2005), pp 1-10, 278-323
18 October 2010	Rethinking Europe: After Empire	Mark Mazower, <i>Dark Continent: Europe's Twentieth Century</i> (London: Allen Lane, 1998) Preface, chap. 9, Epilogue
		Martin Shipway, <i>Decolonization and Its Impact: A Comparative Approach to the End of the Colonial Empires</i> (Malden: Blackwell 2008), pp. 1-16, 232-39
		Martin Thomas, Bob Moore, L. J Butler, <i>Crises of Empire: Decolonization and Europe's Imperial States, 1918-1975</i> (London: Hodder Education, 2008), pp. 1-14, 411-428.
25 October 2010	European Integration's Historiography: The State of the Art	Piers Ludlow, <i>Widening, Deepening and Opening</i> , in W. Loth (ed.) <i>Experiencing Europe.</i> (Baden Baden, Nomos, 2009), pp. 17-44
		Wilfred Loth, "Explaining European Integration. The Contribution from Historians," <i>Journal of European Integration History</i> 14, no. 1 (2008), pp. 8-26
		Mark Gilbert, "Narrating the Process. Questioning the



		Progressive Story of European Integration," <i>Journal of Common Market Studies</i> 63, no. 3 (2008), pp. 641-62
8 November 2010	European Integration's Historiography: Trends and Problems	Wolfram Kaiser and Antonio Varsori (eds.), European Union History: Themes and Debates (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2010), the essays by W. Kaiser, P. Ludlow and L. Mechi
15 November 2010	Europe Goes Abroad: Identity and Policy Issues in EC\EU Foreign Relations	Charlotte Bretherton and John Vogler. <i>The European Union as a Global Actor</i> , London: Routledge (2006), Chap. 2 and Conclusions
		Giuliano Garavini, "Foreign Policy Beyond the Nation-State: Conceptualizing the External Dimension", in Wolfram Kaiser and Antonio Varsori (eds.), <i>European Union History: Themes</i> and Debates (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2010)
22 November 2010	The Trans Atlantic Nexus	Geir Lundestad, <i>The United States and Western Europe since</i> 1945. From "Empire" by Invitation to Transatlantic Drift, Oxford 2003, pp. 168-225
		Matthias Schultz and Thomas A. Schwartz, "The Superpower and the Union in the Making: U.SEuropean Relations, 1969–1980," in <i>The Strained Alliance: U.SEuropean Relations from Nixon to Carter</i> , ed. M. Schulz and T Schwartz (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2009)
29 November 2010	East and West: intra- European Detente	Kai Hebel and Tobias Lenz, West Europan Foreign Policy during the Cold War. The Twisted Path Towards Liberal Realpolitik. Sara Tavani, CFSP Origins and European Détente: a Common European Stance on the Polish Crisis of 1980-81
		[papers presented at the 2010 Sixth History of European Integration Research Society (HEIRS) Colloquium: <i>European Integration and the Cold War, 1945-1989</i> .]
6 December 2010	Europe and the Global South	Giuliano Garavini, "The Colonies Strike Back: The Impact of the Third World on Western Europe, 1968-1975", Contemporary European History, vol. 16, no. 3 (2007), 299- 321
		Thorsten B. Olesen, <i>The EC and The New International Economic Order. A United or Divided Third Force?</i> Paper at the Conference "From Crisis to New Dynamics: the European Community 1973-83", 2010
Mid- December 2010	New Research Issues and Directions	Final workshop with external experts