



Max Weber Programme

7th Max Weber Fellows June Conference

12-14 June 2013, San Domenico di Fiesole, Villa La Fonte

The 2013 June conference of the Max Weber Programme will bring past and present Fellows together under the roof of Villa La Fonte for the fourth time. The conference will provide a perspective on the 'Max Weber Fellows' contributions to Social Sciences and Humanities' in research and academia. It will also be a forum for the fostering of cross-disciplinary and inter-cohort academic collaboration, and for reflection on the MWP experience and academic experiences in teaching and in the job market, which will also benefit future cohorts of Fellows.

Conference Committee:

Janine Balter (ECO), Jean Beaman (SPS), Thomas Beukers (LAW), Adam Bower (SPS), Julia Cordero Coma (SPS), Daniel Horn (SPS), Swen Hutter (SPS), Anita Kurimay (HEC), Migne Laukyte (LAW), Marcos Nakaguma (ECO), Ramon Marimon (MWP) and Karin Tilmans (MWP).

Day 1 - Wednesday June 12th

Welcome coffee 8.45

1st Morning Session 09.00-11.00 (Collective coffee break: 11.00-11.30)

Panel: Fundamentals of Economics in Times of Crisis (09.00-11.00 - Sala B)

Coordinator: Thomas Beukers (LAW)

This panel is the first in a series about the general theme of the Eurozone Crisis. It will address questions about the fundamentals of economics related to crises, from both an economic as well as a historical perspective. Topics discussed range from causality in the history of economic crises to contagion in the Eurozone crisis, from persistence in the price-to-dividend ratio and the low-frequency relationship between public deficits and inflation.

Chair: Charles Brendon (ECO)

Papers: Fang Xu (ECO 2008-2009): *Persistence in the price-to-dividend ratio and its macroeconomic fundamentals*

Discussant: Alexander Kriwoluzky (ECO 2008-2009)

Nathan Marcus (HEC 2010-2011): *Causality in the History of Economic Crises*

Discussant: Roald Versteeg (Visiting ECO 2009-2010)

Alexander Kriwoluzky (ECO 2008-2009): *On the low-frequency relationship between public deficits and inflation*

Discussant: Fang Xu (ECO 2009-2010)

Roald Versteeg (Visiting ECO 2009-2010): *Good Contagion, Bad Contagion: Evidence from the Eurozone Sovereign Debt Crisis*

Discussant: Nathan Marcus (HEC 2010-2011)

Panel: (American) Capitalism: History, Law and Theory (09.00-11.00 - Seminar room, 3rd floor)

Coordinator: Jean Beaman (SPS)

This panel explores the intricacies and concomitant social structures of American capitalism across various historical contexts and includes topics such as labour, technology, and production.

Chair: Simon Jackson (HEC)

Papers: Stefan Link (HEC): *Politics or Efficiency? Three Questions on Ford Motor Company and Chandler's Managerial Revolution*

Simon Jackson (HEC): *'Motors of Citizenship': Ford automobiles, workers, and Fordism between Beirut and Detroit, 1919-1935*

Gabrielle Clark (LAW): *Bound to Freedom: Coerced Labor, the Law, and the Development of Neoliberal American Capitalism*

David Pretel (HEC): *Transgressing Empire: Global Technology and Transnational Expertise in Nineteenth-Century Cuba*

Bridget Gurtler (Visiting, HEC Department): *The Political Economy of Reproductive Technologies in the U.S., 1970-2012*

Discussants: TBC

Panel: Intellectual History: Ideas (09.00-11.00 - Sala A)

Coordinator: Julia Cordero Coma (SPS)

Chair: Bojan Aleksov (HEC 2006-2007)

Papers: Stefan Nygaard (HEC): *Georg Brandes and the limits of cultural transnationalism in 19th century Europe*

Sofia Moratti Baggio (LAW): *Italo Svevo on James Joyce*

Colin Fleming (SPS 2009-2010): *War, Politics, and the 'Clausewitzian Trinity' Revisited*

Discussants: Ann Thomson (HEC Depart., EUI), Tommaso Giordani (HEC Depart. EUI)

11.00-11.30 coffee break

2nd Morning Sessions 11.30-13.30:

Panel: Law and Technology (11.30-13.30 - Seminar Room, 3rd floor)

Coordinator: Migle Laukyte (LAW)

The aim of this panel is to look at the latest advancements in different fields of technological innovation - especially in artificial intelligence, military robotics, and ICT - and question their legal implications showing that our enthusiasm and commitment to the advancements of science and technology cannot successfully evolve if we don't take into account the legal implications these advancements (could) come to bear.

Chair: Konrad Lawson (HEC)

Papers: Migle Laukyte (LAW): *The Capabilities Approach as a Bridge Between Animals and Robots.*

Hin-Yan Liu (LAW): *Categorization and Legality of Autonomous and Remote Weapons Systems.*

Marta Simoncini (LAW 2011-2012): *When Science Meets Responsibility. The Case of The L'Acquila Earthquake.*

Gianluigi Fioriglio (LAW 2009-2010): *Privacy and Reputation in Online Virtual Communities and Social Networks.*

Giuseppe Contissa (LAW 2009-2010): *Liability and Automation in Air Traffic Management*

Discussants: Giuseppe Contissa (LAW 2009-2010) and Migle Laukyte (LAW)

Panel: The Politics of the Eurozone Crisis (11.30-13.30 - Sala B)

Coordinator: Thomas Beukers

This panel is the second in a series about the general theme of the Eurozone Crisis. It will address questions about the political dimension of the Eurozone Crisis from both a political science and economics perspective. The European response to the crisis will be critically assessed and the question of whether a union of sovereign countries can efficiently raise and allocate a budget will be discussed. Fiscal retrenchment reforms will be explained in both Greece and Portugal, and long term trends in the European mood in EU member states will be analysed.

Chair: Thomas Beukers (LAW)

Papers: Isabelle Guinaudeau (SPS 2011-2012): *(Not) in the Mood for European Integration? Long Term Trends of the «European mood» in Fifteen EU Member States*

Discussant: Jenny Simon (ECO 2011-2012)

Jenny Simon (ECO 2011-2012): *Centralized Fiscal Spending by Supranational Unions*

Discussant: Isabelle Guinaudeau (SPS 2011-2012)

Alex Afonso (SPS 2010-2011): *Passing the Buck or Jumping on the Bandwagon? Fiscal Retrenchment, Blame Avoidance and Cross-Party Compromises in Portugal and Greece During the Eurozone Crisis*

Discussant: Aidan Regan (SPS)

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Political Tensions in Euro-Varieties of Capitalism. The Crisis of the Democratic State in Europe

Discussant: Alex Afonso (SPS 2010-2011)

Panel: Intellectual History: Narratives – Sala A

Coordinator: Julia Cordero Coma

Chair: David Pretel (HEC)

Papers: Iryna Vushko (HEC 2008-2009): *Fascism, Catholicism, and Minorities in a New Europe: The Adriatic Coastline between the Austrian Empire and the Italian Nation State*

Bojan Aleksov (HEC 2006-2007): *Jewish Refugees in the Balkans: Entangled Perspectives on WW2 and the Holocaust*

Emanuela Grama (HEC 2011-2012): *Making Memory into Property: The Ethnic Lives of the Houses and the German heritage in Romania (1945-2007)*

Discussants: Matthew Hoyer (HEC), Emanuela Grama (HEC 2010-2012)

13.30-14.30 Collective Lunch

Afternoon Session 14.30-16.30 (16.30-17.00 Collective coffee break):

Panel: Quantitative Methods and Social Sciences (14.30-16.30 - Seminar Room 3rd floor)

Coordinator: Daniel Horn

The panel covers four (almost) entirely different but equally interesting topics from all over the social spectrum. From the prevention and control of invasive species in ornamental plants to Anglo-Dutch auctions in the 1700's, from decentralization of public services in Benin to the effects of smoking on labor market earnings this panel many things will be covered. However, these four papers speak the same language. They all use economic modelling and/or rigorous econometric methods to find out the most from the given topic.

Chair: Daniel Horn (SPS)

Papers: Alicia Perez-Alonso (ECO 2006-2007): *Explaining the rank-order of invasive plants by stakeholder groups: a case study in Galicia, Spain*

Discussant: Emilie Caldeira (ECO)

Lars Boerner (ECO 2007-2008): *Anglo-Dutch premium auctions in Eighteens-Century Amsterdam*

Discussant: Brandon Restrepo (ECO)

Emilie Caldeira (ECO): *Does Decentralization Facilitate Access to Poverty-Related Services? Evidence from Benin*

Discussant: Lars Boerner (ECO 2007-2008)

Brandon Restrepo (ECO): *The Effect of Smoking on Labor Market Earnings: Evidence from the Relationship between Cigarette Taxes, Health and Wages*

Discussant: Alicia Perez-Alonso (ECO 2006-2007)

Panel: Constitutional Dimension of the Eurozone Crises (14.30-16.30 - Sala B)

Coordinator: Thomas Beukers

This panel is the third in a series about the general theme of the Eurozone Crisis. In the panel the Eurozone Crisis will be discussed from a constitutional and legal perspective. Issues discussed include a comparison between the Eurozone and the Argentine Crisis, a constitutional analysis of the role of the European Central Bank, the legal question of withdrawal from the economic and monetary union and the constitutional response to the Eurozone crisis in the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Chair: Fabien Le Bot (LAW)

Papers: Belen Olmos Giupponi (LAW 2006-2008): *The Eurozone and the Argentine Crisis: An International Law Perspective*

Discussant: Hannes Hofmeister (LAW 2007-2008)

Tomas Dumbrovsky (LAW): *Constitution Making During Economic Crisis: The Case of the Czech Republic and Slovakia*

Discussant: Belen Olmos Giupponi (LAW 2006-2008)

Hannes Hofmeister (LAW 2007-2008): *Withdrawal from the Eurozone*

Discussant: Thomas Beukers (LAW)

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The New European Central Bank: A Normative Assessment of the ECB's impact on Member State Policy Making

Discussant: Tomas Dumbrovsky (LAW)

General comment: **Bruno de Witte (EUI / Maastricht University)**

Panel: Norms, Emotions and Believes (14.30-16.30 - Sala A)

Coordinator: **Julia Cordero Coma**

Chair: **Jean Thomas (LAW)**

Papers: **Julia Cordero Coma (SPS):** *Protection versus contraception: The relevance of the socially-shared interpretation of condom use*

Brigitte Le Normand (HEC 2007-2008): *Great Expectations: Yugoslav migrant workers vis-à-vis the Yugoslav state, 1964-1973*

Yane Svetiev (LAW 2010-2012): *The Limits of Informal International Law: Enforcement, Norm-generation and Learning in the ICN*

Discussant: **Marc Berenson (SPS 2007-2008), Yane Svetiev (LAW 2010-2012), Julia Cordero Coma (SPS)**

16.30-17.00 Coffee Break

17.00-18.00 Plenary Session - Conference Room

Key note talk by Ramon Marimon, Director MWP: *Subjective Rationality and Trust. On Social Sciences and the Euro crisis: an economist's perspective*

Chair: **Matthew Hoelle (ECO 2010-2011)**

Comments by Marise Cremona, EUI Principal

18.00 Cocktail & BBQ Villa la Fonte Garden

Day 2 – Thursday 13th June

1st Morning Session 09.00-11.00 (Collective coffee break: 11.00-11.30)

Panel: Inequality 1 Labour (09.00-11.00 - Sala A)

Coordinator: Daniel Horn

Labor market inequality has been in the focus of economic analyses over the past few decades. These four papers contribute to the field by analysing the association of labor market inequalities and growth, economic-literacy, apprenticeship training and suicide. All contributions use modern econometric techniques to investigate the chosen topic.

Chair: Brandon Restrepo (ECO)

Papers: Annaig Morin (ECO): *Wage Dispersion over the Business Cycle*

Discussant: Yarine Fawaz (ECO 2011-2012)

Anna Lo Prete (ECO 2007-2008): *Economic literacy and the finance-inequality nexus*

Discussant: Daniel Horn (SPS)

Daniel Horn (SPS): *School-based Vocational or Workplace-based apprenticeship training?*

Evidence on the school-to-work transition of Hungarian apprentices

Discussant: Annaig Morin (ECO)

Yarine Fawaz (ECO 2011-2012): *The Human Cost of labor*

Discussant: Anna Lo Prete (ECO 2007-2008)

Panel: Macroeconomic Theory and Policy (09.00-11.00 – Seminar Room 3rd floor)

Coordinator: Marcos Nakaguma

This panel covers various issues related to macroeconomic fluctuations, optimal macro policies under uncertainty and the design of fair and efficient income tax systems.

Chair: Charles Brendon (ECO)

Papers: Gaetano Gaballo (ECO 2010-2011): *Private Uncertainty and Multiplicity*

Discussant: Michalis Rousakis (ECO)

Nadav Ben Zeev (ECO): *What Can We Learn about News Shocks from the Late 1990's and Early 2000's Boom-Bust Period?*

Discussant: Alessandro Mennuni (ECO 2009-2010)

Michalis Rousakis (ECO): *Expectations and Fluctuations: The Role of Monetary Policy*

Discussant: Gaetano Gaballo (ECO 2010-2011)

Charles Brendon (ECO): *Efficiency-Equity Trade-offs in the Mirlees Model*

Discussant: Matthew Hoelle (ECO 2010-2011)

Panel: Race, Class, Gender, Sexuality (09.00-11.00 – Sala B)

Coordinator: Jean Beaman

This panel examines issues of race, class, gender and sexuality in both contemporary and historical contexts throughout Europe, North Africa, and South America. In doing so, this panel seeks to (re)insert race, class, gender and sexuality as legitimate analytical foci for scholarly analysis.

Chair: Jean Beaman (SPS)

Papers: Jean Beaman (SPS): *France's Minority Paradox: Cultural Citizenship, Symbolic Exclusion, and Children of North African Immigrants*

Anita Kurimay (HEC): *Sexing East-Central European History*

Sheila Neder Cerezetti (LAW 2011-2012): *The Promotion of Gender Equality on Corporate Boards through Female Quotas: A Developing Country Perspective*

Daniel Lee (HEC 2011-2012): *The Experiences of Jewish Women in Tunisia during the Second World War*

Discussant: Laura Lee Downs (EUI, HEC)

11.00-11.30 coffee break

Plenary Session 11.30-13.00: Conference Room

Best Practices in Academia: Job Market and Dissemination of Research

Chair: Rinku Lamba (SPS 2006-2008)

Presentations: Olena Senyuta (ECO)

Konrad Lawson (HEC)

Elena Dumitrescu (ECO)

Anicee van Engeland (LAW 2007-2008)

Dean Vuletic (HEC 2010-2011)

13.00-14.00 Collective Lunch

Afternoon Session 14.00-16.00 (16.00-16.30 Collective coffee break)

Panel: Inequality 2: Gender (14.00-16.00 - Sala A)

Coordinator: Daniel Horn (SPS)

This panel misses only the historian aspect on the issue of gender inequality. The legal scholar, the economist and the sociologist all have their say on this issue. The audience will learn a lot about the EU accession process with Turkey and its impact on "gender democracy", about the impact of economic competition on gender wage gap and about the differences in "grandparenting" between genders.

Chair: **Annaig Morin (ECO)**

Papers: **Firat Cengiz (LAW 2008-2009): Rethinking Conditionality: Gender and the Kurdish issue in Turkey's EU Accession Framework**

Discussant: **Joanna Wolszczak-Derlacz (ECO 2007-2008)**

Joanna Wolszczak-Derlacz (ECO 2007-2008): Mind the Gender Wage Gap – the Impact of Trade and Competition on Sectoral Wage Differences

Discussant: **Thomas Leopold (SPS)**

Thomas Leopold (SPS): Gender and the Division of Labor in Grandparent Couples

Discussant: **Firat Cengiz (LAW 2008-2009)**

Panel: Religion in the Social Sciences I (14.00-16.00 - Sala B)

Coordinator: Adam Bower (SPS)

Chair: **Hin-Yan Liu (LAW)**

Papers: **Ananya Chakravarti (HEC):**

Jenny Hillman (HEC): Putting Faith to the Test: Anne de Gonzague and the Incombustible Relic

Kalle Kananoja (HEC): Lies, Half-Truths, and Inquisitors: Methodological Thoughts on Using Inquisitional Sources to Study Portuguese Colonial History

Rinku Lamba (SPS 2007-2008): Religion, Democracy and Liberalism: an Analysis of "Bhakti" and Its Influence on Social Imaginaries in India

Discussant: **Ann Thomson (EUI, HEC)**

Panel: Topics in Finance and Innovation (14.00-16.00 – Seminar Room, 3rd floor)

Coordinator: Janine Balter

This panel is occupied with recent developments in finance and innovation.

Chair: **Janine Balter (ECO)**

Papers: **Janine Balter (ECO): Estimating Integrated Quarticity on OHLC Data**

Discussant: **Elena Dumitrescu (ECO)**

Dalibor Stevanovic (ECO 2011-2012): The Connection between Wall Street and Main Street: Measurement and Implications for Monetary Policy

Discussant: **Olena Senyuta (ECO)**

Gaye Gungor (SPS 2008-2009): *The Institutional Basis of the Research Based Innovation: Industry, Government and University*

Discussant: **Janine Balter (ECO)**

Matthew Hoelle (ECO 2010-2011): *A General Theory of Financial Market Risk and Policy with Two Applications*

Discussant: **Victoria Halstensen (EUI, ECO)**

Panel: European Integration (14.00-16.00 - Conference Room)

Coordinator: Swen Hutter (SPS)

This panel deals with questions related to the European integration process. The papers focus on the decision-making process within the European Union, as well as on the EU's relation to third countries. More specifically, we will discuss transparency in the Council of Ministers, the overall institutional structure after Lisbon and in the Euro crisis, as well as EU-Ukraine relations.

Chair: Swen Hutter (SPS)

Papers: James Cross (SPS): *The seen and unseen in legislative politics: Explaining censorship in the Council of Ministers of the European Union*

Fabien Le Bot (LAW): *Institutional relations in the European Union after the Lisbon Treaty*

Roman Petrov (LAW 2006-2008): *EU-Ukraine Association Agreement – Towards a New Era of Integration without membership*

Discussant: **Adrienne Heritier (EUI, SPS)**

16.00-16.30 coffee break

Panel: Religion in the Social Sciences II (16.30-18.30 – Sala B)

Coordinator: Adam Bower (SPS)

Chair: Jenny Hillman (HEC)

Papers: Gregorio Bettiza (SPS): *The Rise of Post-Secular Foreign Policy Elites: What do They Mean and Do When They Say that American Foreign Policy is "Secular"?*

Joerg Friedrichs (SPS 2006-2007): *Chinese-Muslim Relations: A Multi-Level Analysis*

Hin-Yan Liu (LAW): *Restricting the Public Display of Religious Symbols by the State on the Grounds of Hate Speech*

Discussant: **Rinku Lamba (SPS 2007-2008)**

Panel: Political Philosophy and Theory (16.30-18.30 - Sala A)

Coordinator: Jean Beaman

This panel explores current questions in the fields of political philosophy and theory including representation, rights, and justice.

Chair: Matthew Hoye (HEC)

Papers: Matthew Hoye (HEC): *Non-Domination or States: The Institutional Dilemma of Indicative Representation*

Jean Thomas (LAW): *A Model of Rights*

Andras Miklos-Thal (SPS 2006-2007): *Justice and National Responsibility for International Health Inequalities*

Discussants: Matthew Hoye (HEC), Jean Thomas (LAW), Andras Miklos (SPS 2006-2007)

Panel: Studying Elections Campaigns: Challenging but Fruitful (16.30-18.30 - Seminar Room, 3rd floor)

Coordinator: Swen Hutter (SPS)

This panel covers different questions related to the study of elections and election campaigns. How effective are campaigns and newspaper endorsements. Has European integration become politicized in national elections? And what role do electoral observant play in the promotion of democracy? These are the key questions that we seek answers for in this panel.

Chair: Philip Balsiger (SPS)

Papers: Laura Sudulich (SPS): *Campaign effectiveness in a comparative perspective*

Agustin Casas (ECO 2011-2012): *Do Newspaper Endorsements Matter? Evidence from the 2012 Presidential Election*

Swen Hutter (SPS): *European integration and national elections: A comparative study?*

Ruben Ruiz-Rufino (SPS 2007-2008): *Electoral Observation and the Promotion of democracy- Wishful Thinking or a reality?*

Discussants: Philip Balsiger (SPS), Brad Epperly (SPS), Isabelle Guinaudeau (SPS 2011-2012)

Day 3 – Friday 14th June

Morning Session 09.00-11.00 (Collective coffee break: 11.00-11.30)

Panel: Information and Politics (09.00-11.00 - Seminar Room 3rd floor)

Coordinator: Marcos Nakaguma (ECO)

This panel covers research applying economic theory to issues related to economic growth, decision-making in committees and the effect of competition in media markets.

Chair: **Agustin Casas (ECO 2011-2012)**

Papers: **Alessandro Mennuni (ECO 2009-2010): A Neoclassical Approach to the Paradox of Thrift**
 Discussant: **Dalibor Stevanovic (ECO 2010-2011)**

Marcos Nakaguma (ECO): Public versus Secret Voting in Committees

Discussant: **Justin Valasek (ECO 2011-2012)**

Justin Valasek (ECO 2011-2012): Over-caution of Large Committees of Experts

Discussant: **Marcos Nakaguma (ECO)**

Jesper Rüdiger (ECO): Cross-Checking the Media

Discussant: **Agustin Casas (ECO 2011-2012)**

Panel: Modern Approaches to Economic Law (09.00-11.00 – Sala A)

Coordinator: Thomas Beukers

This panel will apply a law and economics approach to a wide range of topics. Substantive issues touched upon will include trade law, labour law, transnational commercial law, intellectual property law, and competition law; institutional issues discussed will include enforcement and liability.

Chair: **Yane Svetiev (LAW)**

Papers: **Cristina Poncibò (LAW 2006-2007): Defining unfair trade practices: What role for behavioural economics?**

Discussant: **Andrea Wechsler (LAW)**

Andrea Wechsler (LAW): The Transformation of Enforcement - European Economic Law in Global Perspective

Discussant: **Luana Joppert Swensson (LAW)**

Luana Joppert Swensson (LAW): Creditor protection and single-member companies: the new Brazilian "single-member limited-liability enterprise"

Discussant: **Daniela Comandè (LAW)**

Daniela Comandè (LAW): The Labyrinth of Adjudicating Employment Rights in Italy

Discussant: **Cristina Poncibò (LAW 2006-2007)**

Panel: Political and Institutional Changes (09.00-11.00 – Sala B)

Coordinator: Adam Bower

Chair: Gregorio Bettiza (SPS)
Papers: Phillip Balsiger (SPS): *Mapping Corporate Reactions to Protest*

Adam Bower (SPS): *Network Structure, Governance Outcomes, and the Evolution of the Antipersonnel Mine Ban Movement*

Virginie Collombier (SPS): *State Formation and Revolution: Libya and Egypt in a Comparative Perspective*

Brad Epperly (SPS): *The Provision of Insurance? Judicial Independence and the Post-tenure Fate of Leaders*

Discussants: Ruben Ruiz-Rufino (SPS 2007-2008) and Joerg Friedrichs (SPS 2006-2007)

11.00-11.30 coffee break

Plenary Session 11.30-13.00 - Conference Room

Best Practices in Academia: Teaching and Academic Careers

Chair: Brigitte Le Normand (HEC 2007-2008)
Presentations: Marc P. Berenson (SPS 2007-2008)
Ignacio de la Rasilla del Moral (LAW 2011-2012)
Academic Careers Observatory: Alanna O'Malley and Cristina Cirillo (MWP)

13.00-14.00 Closing Cocktail – Garden Villa la Fonte