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**Max Weber Programme**  
**“Constitutions and Markets”**  
**June 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2007**  
**San Domenico di Fiesole, Villa la Fonte**

**Thursday, 14 June, 2007**

**9:00 – 9:15 Welcome**

Yves Meny, President of the European University Institute

Ramon Marimon, Director of the Max Weber Programme

**9:15 – 10:30 Constitutions and Markets: A Broader ‘Weberian’ Perspective**

Chair: *tba*

**“Culture and Institutions: Economic Development in the Regions of Europe”**

*Guido Tabellini*, IGER, Bocconi University

Discussant:

**10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break**

**11:00 – 12:20 Institutional Change: The Postcommunist Transition Experience**

Chair: *tba*

“Institutional Change and Postcommunist Transition”

*Leszek Balcerowicz*, Warsaw School of Economics

“Constitutional Courts and the Limits of Economic Policy: A Constitutional Political Economy Perspective of the Hungarian Experience”

*Péter Cserne*, Columbia University and University of Hamburg

Discussant: *tba*

**12:20 – 13:10 Legal and Economic Change: The Chinese Experience**

“Towards a Law and Economics of Public Property: From the US 16<sup>th</sup> Amendment of the US Constitution to the 10<sup>th</sup> People’s Congress of the Peoples’ Republic of China”

*Zhiyuan Cui*, Cornell University and Tsinghua University, Beijing

Discussant: *tba*



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**13:10 – 14:40** Lunch Break

**14:40 – 15:30 Endogenous Constitutional Changes**

Chair: *tba*

“Endogenous Constitutions”

*Davide Tichi*, University of Urbino, and

*Andrea Vindigni*, Princeton University

Discussant: *tba*

**15:30 – 16: 20 Endogenous Political Party Changes**

“Economic Performance and the Unraveling of Economic Parties”

*Jennifer Gandhi*, Emory University

Discussant: *tba*

**16:20 – 16:50** Coffee Break

**16:50 – 18:05 Constitutions and the Rule of Law**

Chair: *tba*

“The Constitutional Origins of the Rule of Law”

*Barry Weingast*, Stanford University

Discussant: *tba*

**18:10 – 19:00** Cocktail

**19:00** – Conference Barbecue Dinner



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**Friday, June 15, 2007**

**9:15 – 10:30 Constitutions and Market Failures**

Chair: *tba*

“Markets and Governments: The Reciprocal Dialectic of Failures”  
*Colin Crouch*, University of Warwick

Discussant: *tba*

**10:30 – 11:00** Coffee Break

**11:00 – 12:20 Constitutions, the Global Economy and their Legitimacy**

Chair: *tba*

“Constitutions and Global Markets: How to Define the ‘Development Objectives’ of the World Trading System?”  
*Ernst-Ulrich Petersman*, European University Institute

“The Function of a European Constitution: A Question of Legitimacy”  
*Tor-Inge Harbo*, University of Oslo

Discussant: *tba*

**12:20 – 13:10 Competition for Economic and Political Outcomes**

“Political (Dis)Integration, Rent Seeking and Growth”  
*Daniel Brou*, University of Western Ontario  
*Michele Ruta*, European University Institute

Discussant: *tba*

**13:00 – 14:40** Lunch Break

**14:40 – 16:00 Constitutions and Markets: A Historical Perspective**

Chair: *tba*

“Lessons from the Weimar Constitution”  
*Harold James*, European University Institute and Princeton University

“What Causes Successful Late Development: Insights from History”  
*Christoph Buchheim*, University of Manheim

Discussant: *tba*



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**16:00 – 16:20 Constitutions and Markets: A EU Perspective**

“The Notion of ‘Competitive market’ in the Evolution of the European Economic Constitution”

*Giuliano Amato*, Italian Ministry of Internal Affairs & EUI

**16:20 –16:50** Coffee Break

**16:50 – 18:05 The Political Pursuit of Economic Inefficiency?**

Chair: *tba*

“Emergence and Persistence of Inefficient States”  
*Daron Acemoglu*, M.I.T.

Discussant: *tba*

**18:10 – 19:00** End of Conference Cocktail