



## **Citizens, Democracy, and Global Responsibility** *A Max Weber Programme Multidisciplinary Workshop*

***Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016***  
***Emeroteca, Badia.***

This workshop aims to discuss the actual or potential responsibility of citizens for democratic values and politics at the global scale. Contemporary politics is inevitably transnational. Despite often competing interests, coordination and compliance are required to effectively respond to collective challenges such as climate change, refugee crises, and terrorism. Brexit has rekindled a fierce debate between the advocates of national sovereignty and proponents of European integration, and despite impressive progress toward a more peaceful international regime several inter-state relations remain hostile, unstable, or precarious. At the same time, coordination is increasing with far-reaching trade agreements such as TTIP. Some citizens actively contest the terms of such agreements and campaign, for example, against multinational companies accused of labour exploitation and tax avoidance in developing countries. Yet, where citizens' interests and global responsibilities diverge, a tension can arise. International relations require pressing attention and careful navigation, but to what extent, if at all, is this the responsibility of citizens? What kind of responsibility do they owe, and to whom? Moreover, how should states balance their responsibilities towards other states and people with their need to be responsive to their own citizens? This workshop has significant implications for these questions.

### **Schedule:**

- 11:15-11:30    Coffee
- 11:30-12:30    Dr Akisato Suzuki  
*Citizens and Interstate War Initiation: A Quantitative Study, 1950-2007*
- 12:30-13:30    Lunch (by invitation) *Sala Rosa*
- 13:30-14:30    Dr Christine Hobden & Dr Stefanie Reher  
*Responsibility versus Responsiveness: Citizens' View of Democracy*
- 14:30-15:30    Dr Lior Erez  
*Cosmopolitan Patriotism as a Civic Ideal: A Response to Theresa May*
- 15:30-16:00    Coffee *Lower Loggia*
- 16:00-17:30    Professor Richard Bellamy  
*Overcoming the Democratic Disconnect: A Demoi-cratic Proposal for Reconnecting Citizens to EU Governance*
- 17:30            Reception *Lower Loggia*