THE MAX WEBER PROGRAMME FOR POSTDOCTORAL STUDIES

ANNUAL REPORT
ACADEMIC YEAR 2014/15
Directing the Max Weber Programme is a tremendous privilege, giving me the opportunity to meet and learn from some of the brightest young academics in the social sciences in the world doing some of the most interesting research. This year was no exception. The selection process of 2013, when this cohort of Fellows was chosen, was the most competitive of the Programme’s history, with 1277 applicants from all over the world for 38 Fellowships. The predictable result was an exceptional group of Fellows. This academic year also witnessed a number of changes to the programme’s structure – notably, the introduction of interdisciplinary thematic groups, the linking of these groups to master classes by the Max Weber Lecturers, who also were interviewed about their work and careers by Fellows, and a number of additional Occasional Talks by Visiting Professors. As the reports of the Fellows below indicate, these innovations were seen by most Fellows as welcome additions to the Programme, and will be continued and further refined in response to their suggestions in the coming year. At the same time, appreciation of long-standing aspects of the programme, such as course preparation, support for all aspects of academic communication, and help with the job market, has increased. The proof of the Programme’s value remains its tremendous success in promoting the careers of the Fellows – at the time of writing 35 of the 39 Fellows on the job market this academic year have been successful in finding a position. I wish all of them further success in the future, and I look forward to welcoming them back at one of our June Conferences. Last but far from least, I (and, I am confident in saying, all the Fellows as well) am grateful to the Max Weber team for their tremendous efforts in delivering the Programme, along with those of many colleagues among the Faculty and Staff of the EUI more generally and of our various external collaborators.

Richard Bellamy
Director, Max Weber Programme
APPLICATIONS TO THE MAX WEBER PROGRAMME

The main trend in the MWP applications in 2014, compared to 2013, was a slight decrease in the overall number of applicants, paralleled by a decrease in the number of applications across all regions except North America. While the number of applications was lower than the previous year, 2013 had seen the highest ever number of applications and this comparison should take into account changes in the criteria for eligibility, particularly the introduction of a formal English language requirement which reduced the number of Italian applicants in particular. The majority of applications still came from Europe (675), followed by North America (208), Asia (173), South and Central America (48), Africa (26) and Oceania (15). Most applicants also expressed their affiliation with a specific thematic group, a novelty introduced to the Max Weber Programme in 2014.

In 2014, the MWP introduced a number of Thematic Research Groups to provide an interdisciplinary forum for Fellows to present their on-going research. MWP applicants could select from among five different thematic groups; a sixth group, the “no group”, was an option for applicants who could not see their research fitting into the five available groups. Data on the applications show a large number of applications (382) to the “no group”, particularly in Social and Political Science and History. Of the other available groups, the largest number of applicants (293 in total) was attracted by the Governance, Constitutionalism and Democracy group, followed by Citizenship and Migration (178), Europe in the World: Foreign Relations, International Security, World Politics (170), Inequality and Efficiency in Education and Labour Markets (72) and Tommaso Padoa-Schioppa: The Design, Regulation and Governance of Fiscal and Monetary Policies in the EU (50).

Figure 1. Number of applications to the MWP in 2013 and 2014, by region

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The distribution of applications across disciplines shows that applications in Political and Social Science led the way, with almost half of all applicants, 41.40%, applying for a Fellowship in this discipline. Applications in History were the second most frequent, 30.90%, and were followed by applications in Economics and Law, with 9.90% for each discipline. 7.90% of applications were to the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSCAS), which was a new option for the MWF candidates introduced in 2014.
In terms of gender distribution, the highest number of male applicants was in Economics, while the highest number of female applicants was to the RSCAS. Overall, there were more men, 54%, than women, 46%, applying for the Max Weber Programme in 2014.

**MAX WEBER FELLOWS, THE 2014-2015 COHORT**

Out of 1,145 applications, 38 Fellows were selected for entry to the MWP, which means a 3.32% success rate. In addition to these 38 Fellows, twelve Fellows stayed on for a second year, which resulted in a cohort of 50 Max Weber Fellows in total.
There were eighteen applicants who withdrew from the Fellowship, in most of these cases because they had another offer for a position with a longer term perspective. Two applicants postponed their Fellowship offer and will join the MWP 2015-2016 cohort. Compared to the previous four years, the eleven MWF withdrawals in 2013-2014 was low.

Distribution of withdrawals across the departments shows that in 2014-2015, in comparison with the previous year, the withdrawals were less evenly distributed across the departments. It also shows that, as in 2012-13, the highest number of withdrawals in 2014-2015 was in the Economics and Social and Political Science departments. However, the number of withdrawals from Economics, traditionally the department with the highest drop out rate, would seem to be declining.
In terms of gender distribution, eleven male and seven female applicants withdrew from the MWP in 2014-2015, which resulted in a less even gender distribution of MWF withdrawals in comparison to the previous year.

The distribution of Fellows across the departments was as follows: the highest number of Fellows, sixteen in all, were in Political and Social Science, twelve in History, eleven in Economics, and eleven Fellows in Law. The gender distribution of the 2014-2015 MWF cohort was almost even, 46% of MWF were women and 54% were men. Finally, the 2014-2015 cohort of MWF was very international, with Fellows coming from 24 different countries. The distribution of Fellows according to the country of their PhD shows somewhat different results; the largest number of Fellows awarded a PhD degree in a single country was fifteen, from the United States.
Figure 10. Fellows by gender

Figure 11. Fellows by nationality
Table 1: Institutional provenance of Max Weber Fellows cohort 2014-15, by country

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MAX WEBER FELLOWS ON THE JOB MARKET

Among the 2014-2015 cohort of the MWF, eleven Fellows are staying on for another year, while 39 Fellows are moving on to other institutions. At the time of writing, 1 August, all but four Fellows have an academic job for the next academic year and, of those with a job, eighteen are continuing their careers in a different country, while seventeen are returning to the country of their PhD.

Figure 12. Number of 2nd year Max Weber Fellows and of Fellows with a job in the same or different country of their PhD.
The activities of the Max Weber Programme are concentrated around two core themes: Academic Practice and Multidisciplinary Research. Over the years of the Programme, the objectives of the activities have become more structured and focused. An important lesson has been that the practice skills are best learned when working with individuals, and thus a strong focus on tutorials and individual feedback based on different needs is now a central part of the Programme.

The research activities, on the other hand, demand a multidisciplinary focus and a strong level of participation from as many Fellows as possible to reach their aim of enhancing and fostering multidisciplinary understanding.

ACADEMIC PRACTICE ACTIVITIES

Based on the experience gained in the first few years, the Academic Practice activities programme is organised into three Modules: i) Job Market ii) Publishing and Writing and iii) Teaching. The modules overlap in time to allow for continuity and follow-up sessions on activities within the discipline groups (Academic Practice Groups) and the Academic Communication Skills support, offered within the programme throughout the academic year.

JOB MARKET MODULE

The Max Weber Programme actively supports Fellows seeking an academic position. First, in addition to the workshops in which Fellows discuss and develop their CVs, cover letters, bio-sketches and web pages, they also share information and discuss job market strategies in their fields. Second, Fellows receive professional feedback on their presentation and interviewing skills. Mock interviews are filmed and assessed by professionals and provide Fellows with the opportunity for further individual self-assessment on interview techniques.

An increasingly vital part of the job market is self presentation on the internet. To assist the Fellows in presenting themselves and their research in the best possible way, the MWP offers all Fellows the opportunity to construct their own website. A special CMS system has been set up which is very easy for Fellows to use, and offers a space where they can upload their publications, their research agendas and their teaching experience and present themselves in a professional manner (http://www.mwpweb.eu/). Max Weber Fellows can take their personal websites to their new academic institutions when their Fellowship comes to an end.

The MWP is also a platform for obtaining information about, and reflecting on, the current state of the academic job market. In particular, the Academic Careers Observatory (ACO) offers a unique resource for researchers looking for a job in academia and, in general, for people interested in the international comparison of academic careers (see chapter on ACO).

The 2014-2015 MWP activities on the job market were:

- September presentations, filmed and followed up with individual feedback sessions by the EUI Language Service
- Departmental presentations by Fellows in seminars
- Job market session with ACO and the MWP Team
- Advancing a personal Academic File with a draft Research Grant Proposal and a new Course syllabus outline
- Building personal websites, workshops and tutorials (with Jens Hofmeister)
- Mock interviews by EUI Faculty and Fellows, filmed, with direct feedback from EUI Faculty
- Engagement with Academic Careers Observatory activities
- Time-management course, with Sarah Shephard (University of Zurich)
- Job talks by the Fellows, with feedback from MWP peers and EUI Faculty
- Fellows’ June Conference: organization and on-going research presentations

The Max Weber Programme proves to be very successful in the placement of its Fellows in an increasingly competitive academic job market: of the 2014-2015 Max Weber Fellows all but four Fellows moved on to an academic position following their Max Weber Fellowship.
Publishing and Writing Module

The Max Weber Programme aims to improve and develop standards of excellence in Fellows’ teaching skills.

The 2014-2015 activities on publishing and writing were:

- Workshop, ‘Research and Grant application: how to write a research proposal’ (with EUI Faculty)
- Workshop, ‘Publishing strategies, Refereeing Peers and Citation Indexes’ (with MWP Director Richard Bellamy)
- Research Grant Proposal (with written feedback from EUI Faculty)
- MWP Working Paper, to be published in Cadmus (with written feedback from EUI mentor)
- Taught module, ‘Academic Writing in English’
- Writers’ Groups, both by discipline and interdisciplinary
- Individual tutorials on written work: research proposal, working paper, book proposal, course syllabus, job talks, PowerPoint presentations, etc.

Teaching Module

The Max Weber Programme aims to improve and develop standards of excellence in Fellows’ teaching skills.

The 2014-2015 MWP activities on Teaching were:

- Preparatory meetings for the Humboldt, UPF and LSE Teaching Exchanges (Matt Plews and David Bowskill from Humboldt University in Berlin, Mireia Trenchs from UPF Barcelona, and Nick Byrne from the LSE, London)
- Workshop, ‘Curriculum and Course Development’ with Lynn McAlpine (Oxford)
- Workshop, ‘Learning outcomes and strategies’ with Lynn McAlpine (Oxford)
- Workshop, ‘How to structure a lecture’ with Neil McLean (LSE)
- Workshop, ‘Small-group teaching, Preparation for Micro-Teaching and Teaching Practice Weeks’ with Neil McLean (LSE)
- Preparatory meetings for Micro-Teaching and Teaching Practice Weeks
- Microteaching sessions, filmed and followed with individual feedback by the EUI Language Department
- Workshop and individual feedback on the micro-teaching sessions with Angela O’Neill (Collège de Bruges)
• Workshop, ‘Teaching at University from a cross-cultural perspective’ with Mireia Trenchs (UPF), followed by tutorials for UPF teaching exchange Fellows
• Curriculum and Course development sessions with Faculty
• Workshop, ‘Examining supervision: an individual and collective responsibility’ with Lynn McAlpine (Oxford)
• UPF Teaching Exchange (see below for details)
• LSE Teaching Exchange (see below for details)
• Humboldt Teaching Exchange (see below for details)

Actual teaching by Fellows is not a MWP requirement but taking into account that Fellows arrive with differing teaching experience, and that teaching methods differ across fields and university systems, the MWP offers different options for gaining practical teaching experience. This supports Fellows in their search for an academic position. It is the strategy of the Max Weber Programme to offer opportunities not only outside the EUI (where undergraduate teaching is possible) but also within the EUI.

Within the EUI, where mainly research-oriented seminars, master classes and workshops are ‘taught’, there is widespread opportunity to gain teaching experience at a high postgraduate level. Post-graduate teaching, tutoring and advising PhD researchers, as well as co-organising seminars and workshops, are activities very much appreciated by Max Weber Fellows. Fellows are also put in charge of organizing some of the summer schools for European MA students in the Social Sciences. The intended status of Max Weber Fellows as junior faculty is a core strategy of the Max Weber Programme. Departments hold Fellows’ seminars on a regular basis. Considering the standards of excellence of the Max Weber Programme, and the highly selective appointment of its Fellows, a systematic collaboration between EUI Professors and the MWP postdoctoral Fellows promotes the European and global academic reputation of all Departments and the appeal of the EUI as a whole.

Local Universities: Over these seven years, the MWP has expanded its network of collaboration with local universities and has established links with many of the Florence-based American campuses, and Italian Universities offering undergraduate or MA level courses. Among these are James Madison University, Gonzaga University, New York University at La Pietra, FIT/Polimoda and IMT Lucca. Max Weber Fellows are offered teaching and/or lecturing opportunities at several of these universities. The MA in European Union Policy Studies offered by James Madison University in Florence, for example, guarantees priority in the selection process to Max Weber Fellows with competences in line with James Madison University’s teaching needs. Courses can also be team-taught. Fellows are requested to use state-of-the-art, interactive, teaching methods and are monitored and supervised, in order to improve their performance. Grading methods and tutoring of papers, as well as assessment skills, are developed in conjunction with the academic coordinator. Fellows receive professional feedback on their performance and an overall written evaluation of their teaching skills by the end of each course. For an overview see:

http://www.eui.eu/ProgrammesAndFellowships/MaxWeberProgramme/TeachingatEUIAndAbroad/Teaching.aspx#opportunities

Teaching Abroad: In 2008, the Max Weber Programme set up a ‘teaching abroad’ programme with the London School of Economics in which Max Weber Fellows were offered the possibility of one week’s teaching experience. In May 2008 five Fellows visited the LSE where they each gave a public lecture and a seminar and received professional feedback on their performance from Nick Byrne, Director, and Neil McLean, Professor, at the LSE Teaching and Learning Centre. In addition, the Fellows had meetings with LSE faculty members in their fields. Based on the success of this experience the Max Weber Programme continued the development of this exchange and in 2009 a selected group of sixteen Fellows had the opportunity to go either to the LSE in London or to Humboldt University in Berlin, for intensive teaching training practice for a week. For the academic year 2009-2010 an agreement was made between the EUI-MWP and the University of Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, to set up a teaching exchange for a maximum of another eight Max Weber Fellows. In the academic year 2014-2015 a total of twenty-five Max Weber Fellows participated in a teaching practice week and obtained a Teacher Training Certificate as a result.

On the LSE Exchange

The exchange was set up by the Max Weber Programme and the LSE Teaching and Learning Centre and took place from 2-6 March 2015. Each Fellow had a teaching input session with Neil McLean, observed three lectures and gave feedback on them and each Fellow then co-teach three 60 minute classes, on each of which they received 30 minutes feedback. In addition the Fellows had lunch
meetings with LSE faculty members in their fields and had an exchange meeting with LSE Fellows at a similar stage in their academic careers.

Eleven Max Weber Fellows went to the LSE: Axelle Arquié (ECO), Or Bassok (LAW), Juliana Bidadanure (SPS), Emmanuel Comte (HEC), Elena Esposito (ECO) Damien Gerard (LAW), Antonio Marzal Yetano (LAW), Michal Onderco (SPS), Federica Romei (ECO), Julija Sardelic (SPS) and Silvana Tarlea (SPS).

On the UPF Exchange

The UPF-MWP, Barcelona teaching exchange took place from 11-15 May 2015, and was set up in collaboration with the coordinators of the MWP exchange at UPF, Pau Solà, Marina Muñoz and Lucia Gil Royuela, of the Teaching Quality and Innovation Center (CQUID) and the Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, Mireia Trenchs. All Fellows taught a couple of sessions within the undergraduate courses and each gave a talk on a topic related to their research. They were also in contact with MA and PhD students and professors of the respective Faculties and Departments hosting their teaching.

Seven Fellows went out to UPF: Eileen Keller (SPS), Michael Kozakowski (HEC), Julia McClure (HEC), Eric O’Connor (HEC), Meha Priyadarshini (HEC), Florian Stoeckel (SPS) and Nan Zhang (SPS).

On the Humboldt exchange:

The exchange took place from 18-22 May 2015, and was set up by agreement between the Max Weber Programme and the English Department of the Language Centre, Humboldt University, Berlin. The Humboldt staff responsible for the organisation of the module were Connie Hacke and David Bowskill. The module included three components: class observance (prior to teaching), MWP Fellows observed the group that they were going to give the tutorial to during a language class (English for Specific Purposes), the colleague teaching the class afterwards discussed all technical and other details of the tutorial to be taught by the Fellow; tutorial, three convenors observed the tutorial and gave feedback to the Fellow, students filled out feedback forms which were discussed in the feedback session, other Fellows attended the tutorial and the feedback session; lecture, MWP Fellows gave an open undergraduate lecture in their own discipline, the convenors attended the lecture and

Max Weber Fellows Michael Kozakowski, Lukas Haffert, Barbara Bottalico and Federica Romei
there was a feedback session, other Fellows attended the lecture and the feedback session.

Seven Fellows went out to Humboldt: Lian Allub (ECO), Barbara Bottalico (ECO), William Carruthers (HEC), Ricardo Estrada Martinez (ECO), Diane Fromage (LAW), Lukas Haffert (SPS) and Martijn Schoonvelde (SPS).

ACADEMIC PRACTICE GROUPS

The discipline-bound Academic Practice Groups were initiated in the second year of the Max Weber Programme. The Practice Groups complement the Practice Workshops and serve as follow-up or preparatory sessions for the existing workshops. Additional topics and themes are also discussed in the groups. The Practice Groups allow for more discussion and in-depth exchange of ideas and experience within the disciplines. It is the Fellows’ experience that the groups help establish very close working and personal ties.

Some of the topics discussed within the Academic Practice Groups 2014-2015 and as a collective were:

- Publishing and refereeing: i) improving our understanding: main journals (publishers) in the relevant field/discipline; ii) effective use of citation indexes; iii) strengths and weaknesses of current peer-review practices and the ethics of peer-reviewing; iv) designing a publishing and refereeing strategy; v) writing a book proposal, etc.
- Developing new course curricula. Best experiences or practices in teaching
- Ethical issues on sharing knowledge and ideas: being a mentor, and copyrights
- Making a research proposal and strategies for getting funding
- Analysing supervision

ACADEMIC PRACTICE GROUPS REPORTS

ECO ACADEMIC PRACTICE GROUP, 2014-2015

The ECO Academic Practice Group’s activities for the year 2014-2015 mainly focused on the strengthening of academic writing skills. The main set of activities consisted of a series of meetings (held on average twice a month) of an Academic Writing Group, facilitated by Laurie Anderson. During each meeting, a paper of one of the participants – circulated before the meeting – was discussed and commented upon. On top of this, other meetings were dedicated to the publication process (i.e. how to address comments from a referee report), or to the exploration of tools for checking wordings, doubts about grammar and style (i.e. Using AntConc, an open-source concordance programme).

For what concerns activities related to publications and the job market, the group relied on the activities offered by the ECO department, which included several meetings dedicated to: understanding the market of economics journals; understanding the economics job market; how to prepare a job market interview; how to prepare a job market seminar.

HISTORY AND CIVILIZATION ACADEMIC PRACTICE GROUP, 2014-15

As in previous years, the History and Civilization (HEC) Max Weber Programme (MWP) Fellows preferred to follow an Academic Practice Group (APG) format of formal and informal activities geared towards discipline-specific needs in history. These activities also involved interaction with mentors within HEC.

Some notable (and more formal) activities throughout the year:

- October 2014: Day spent by Fellows presenting their research projects to HEC faculty, researchers and other audience members.
- May 2015 (1): Meeting to discuss draft course outlines that HEC Fellows had submitted for review by their peers and with the HEC Max Weber liaison, Dirk Moses.
May 2015 (2): Meeting to discuss draft book proposals that HEC Fellows had submitted for review by their peers and with the HEC Max Weber liaison, Dirk Moses.

These activities were well received by Fellows because of the opportunity they provided to discuss work in a rigorous but friendly context. Fellows felt that the two June 2015 sessions were particularly helpful, because they helped them to grapple with the nuances of discipline specific practices: the book proposal, in particular, is essential to academic careers in history. The mock job talks and interviews that were arranged throughout the year were also particularly helpful in this respect, and the Fellows would like to extend their thanks to the HEC and MWP faculty and staff involved in this work, in addition to the substantial amount of time spent by HEC faculty mentors on reading and providing feedback on the draft course outlines and book proposals before the two June 2015 sessions.

HEC Fellows also attended and contributed to many other MWP academic practice activities throughout the year, including the course design workshop in November 2014 and the various teaching practice weeks. Fellows also attended the book proposal sessions that took place, led by Richard Bellamy and editors from academic presses. Additionally, HEC Fellows were represented in all of the MWP thematic groups.

Informally, Fellows appreciated the chance to discuss their work together in various venues, whether within the EUI or beyond.

**Suggestions for the future:**

Reflecting on their MWP year, HEC Fellows also have some suggestions for the future (not necessarily unanimously, but the following are some of the ideas that arose after a call for suggestions):

The MWP working paper (as was noted in the HEC APG report last year) is a slightly odd concept for historians, because ‘working papers’ are not common (or even present?) within the discipline.

It was suggested that interaction between mentors and mentees could have been greater/more consistent (although this is probably a more general MWP issue, and many HEC Fellows were perfectly happy with the amount of interaction they had). Additionally (and for the sake of variety more than anything else), it might have been useful to have had a wider selection of HEC faculty involved in more general MWP activities.

It was also suggested that the APG could have involved two extra sessions: one on the history specific job market; one on writing history papers aimed at peer-reviewed journals (and also on targeting which journals to publish in).

The initial APG meeting in September 2014 was not well attended, at least partially due to a scheduling clash, meaning that the APG only had a (well attended) initial meeting later in the autumn.

It was clearly more difficult for some HEC Fellows to demonstrate the relevance of their work to other Fellows within the MWP more generally, even in the thematic groups. This issue seemed to stem from the range/sort of disciplines represented by the programme and the specific thematic group topics rather than actual irrelevance of the work. Future thematic groups could perhaps therefore be more geared towards historians’ interests – so perhaps history Fellows could be involved in discussion of what sort of themes might be covered.
Meetings of the group

- 14 November 2014: Meeting with Ingo Linsenmann, member of the Global Governance Project at the EUI’s Robert Schuman Centre, to draw from his experience on Research grants and general strategies for obtaining funding for academic purposes, focusing on the particularities of the Law department, research funding opportunities for post-docs (Marie Curie fellowship, ERC grants, national grants), the EUI internal selection process, if any, people to contact for administrative support within the EUI, tips on how to draft a successful ERC grant application, and the selection process at European level.

- 3 December 2014: Meeting with Nehal Bhuta (Law Department), on publishing strategies, peer-reviewing and on our profiles as law researchers. Issues discussed have been how to turn the PhD thesis into a monograph – whether this is also desirable and when, how to draft a book proposal, and how to write an article that can be appealing for legal journals, how to target a legal journal (American and European journals), writing book chapters, inter- multi-disciplinarity, neutrality and bias in the peer-review exercise.

- 18 February 2015: Meeting of the Academic Practice Group to discuss the European Court of Justice’s Opinion 2/13 of 18 December 2014, on the accession of the European Union to the European Convention of Human Rights. The group, which included Jean Monnet Fellow Ronan McCrea, engaged in a deep reading of the text of the decision, identifying its most controversial aspects and exchanging differing views on its merits and consequences.

- 25 May 2015: Meeting with Nehal Bhuta as convenor on law curriculum and course assessment, where we engaged in a discussion, drawing from Professor Bhuta’s experience in teaching, on teaching techniques, the demands of today’s law students and universities, appropriate strategies for course design and the values and principles at stake for modern Law professors.

- 8 July 2015: Meeting of the Academic Practice Group to discuss the European Court of Justice’s recent decision approving the legality of the European Central Bank’s Outright Monetary Transactions programme, thus allowing the ECB to buy bonds from Member States in financial distress. The meeting will, like with Opinion 2/13 on EU accession to the ECHR, engage in a deep reading of the decision and a discussion of its more controversial aspects.

Involvement of members of the group in the Workshops, Conferences, and other events of the MWP

- 19-21 September 2014: Max Weber Getaway organized by Robert Lepenies for all Fellows in Castel D’Acone


- 12 March 2015: Law and War: Uneasy Relationship, MW workshop, Or Bassok and Pablo Kalmanovitz presented papers.
• 19 March 2015: Mapping Mutual Trust - the role of mutual trust in EU law, MW multidisciplinary research workshop organized by Damien Gerard.

• 24 March 2015: Interview with Professor John McCormick, conducted by Pablo Kalmanovitz and Or Bassok.


• 22 April 2015: Interview of Professor Grainne de Búrca, prior to her MW lecture, conducted by Cristina Fasone and Antonio Marzal and focusing on the challenges of her transatlantic academic career and engagement with the field of European Union Law.

• 22 April 2015: Lecture by Professor Grainne de Búrca chaired by Diane Fromage


• 26 June 2015: Future of Basic Income Research Conference. Organized by Robert Lepenies and Juliana Bidadanure (SPS) & sponsored by a Young Scholar Event Grant of the Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET), as well as by the Max Weber Programme at the EUI, The Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies and Prof. Rainer Bauböck (SPS), Prof. Arpad Abraham (ECO), Prof. Fabrizio Bernardi (SPS), Prof. Hans W. Micklitz (LAW) and Prof. Robert Hoekman (RSCAS). Robert Lepenies also presented paper.

• 27 June 2015: Book workshop on “The Instrument of Freedom” by Philippe van Parijs and Yannick Vanderborght, organized by Juliana Bidadanure (SPS) and Robert Lepenies.

• ongoing, with more than six meetings throughout the year: Economics and Philosophy Reading group: Robert Lepenies and Magdalena Malecka as organizers and presenters

• ongoing, with several meetings throughout the year: Science and Technology Studies reading group: Antonio Marzal Yetano as participant

Involvement of members of the groups in the activities of the Law Department

All the members of the group have participated, although to a different extent, in the activities of the Law Department to teach during one of the seminars offered to Law Researchers, to discuss doctoral students’ papers, to coordinate research projects, and to present papers during the meetings of the working groups, as well as they participated in the Faculty Seminars. However, Law Fellows as a group of Post-Docs have not been systematically involved in the work of the Law Department, but rather on individual basis, according to the input of each fellow.

Strengths of the MWP from the point of view of the Law Group

• The chance to build up a community of young scholars and professionals, and to exchange experiences with postdocs from different national academic communities and social science disciplines

• The possibility to do postdoctoral research in the presence of high-level professors/researchers in the LAW department and the MWP

• The teaching module and the teaching exchange

• The existence of training activities about communication and language skills, including editing and English language revision of publications and grant applications

• High degree of academic freedom
What can be improved

• There is a perception that the Law MW Fellows are not well integrated in the activities of the Law Department. We suggest that the Law Department takes a greater interest in actively including MW Fellows in planning/activities. There are various manifestations of this lack of integration, such as the fact that MW Law Fellows had to request being added to the mailing list of the Law Department, there were no integration events throughout the year, the Law faculty seminars tended to coincide with the activities of the MW program, etc. This situation should be remedied, for the benefit of the Law department as well as of the MW Fellows. Various suggestions were made to remedy this situation, including: (i) organizing a separate meeting at the beginning of the year in which Law MWs can present their research to the faculty and faculty members may present the department and the possibilities of involving Fellows in departmental activities; and (ii) allowing MWFs to present in faculty workshops.

• This academic year a positive development has been the involvement of MWFs in workshops with LLM and 1st year PhD researchers to discuss methodology and research questions and first drafts of their papers. This practice should be repeated in the coming years, since it has been a very positive experience, but some of the fellows felt that it was not sufficiently well coordinated and organised (e.g. there was little information as to how the fellows were supposed to participate).

• The Law Academic Practice Group was overshadowed by the multi-disciplinary Thematic Groups, which met with greater frequency throughout the year and received greater encouragement from the MW programme and various faculty. The offshoot of this preference is that this year’s Law Fellows have engaged in comparatively less exchanges with other lawyers. There is some disagreement between the fellows as to whether this is a problem in itself since the program is geared towards interdisciplinarity, but it could perhaps be compensated by guaranteeing a greater integration of the fellows in the LAW department (as mentioned above).

• A number of Fellows felt that the Max Weber lectures were, with some exceptions, underwhelming. The explanation for this remains mysterious. Perhaps it is simply a chance occurrence, perhaps it is due to some structural problem that should be addressed. Other fellows, however, were more positive and felt that the lectures had improved from last year. Nevertheless, practically all the LAW fellows felt that the workshops/”master classes” organised with the speakers proved to be a great idea, even if it was also suggested that they should be advertised to all fellows (and possibly even researchers) instead of only to a specific thematic group.

• The teaching exchanges were in general welcomed by the Fellows but a number of problems were reported, which differed a lot depending on the country where the exchange happened. Some fellows felt that it was a problem that they had to teach to English language students, instead of actual law students. Other fellows complained about a lack of clear indications prior to the exchange as to what was expected.

SPS Academic Practice Group, 2014-2015

In the academic year 2014-2015, there were 16 SPS Fellows at the Max Weber Programme (MWP). Their representatives were Eileen Keller and Julija Sardelić, who were responsible for the organization of the SPS Academic Practice Group (APG). The SPS APG had altogether 6 formal sessions with the whole SPS MWFs invited and
many more informal sessions based on peer-to-peer advice among individual MWFs (on CVs, book proposals, journal articles, etc.). Besides the above-mentioned activities, SPS Max Weber Fellows also regularly attended practice job talks of other colleagues, before these had an interview for an academic position.

The formal APG sessions were as follows:

In an introductory session, the SPS APG agreed on the representatives of the group and a preliminary list of topics for APG sessions. We decided to take upon the following activities: peer comments on research statements/cover letters, peer exchange of experiences on academic job interviews in different contexts, peer evaluation of research grant proposals, peer consultation on the book publishing process.

In the session on research statements and cover letters for academic job applications, MW Fellows commented on each others’ documents in smaller groups of three people. Afterwards, each group reported back the main insights of this exercise to the plenary group.

The next session focused on job interviews. Here, the Fellows exchanged their own experience from interviews and job talks. Fellows highlighted how the interviews and job talks differed depending on the context (e.g. various positions, countries). There was also a discussion on how to deal with challenging questions during the interview or the job talk and also what to ask the interviewers afterwards.

Similarly to the session on research statements/cover letters, in the session on research grants, Fellows acted as the evaluators of each others’ grant proposals. Each SPS MWF was supposed to read the research grant proposal of one of his/her colleagues beforehand in order to give their insights on the proposal.

While the whole MWF cohort participated in the book proposal workshop, the SPS APG organized a session on the book publishing process, where two MWFs, who have recently undergone the process, shared their particular experience with different publishers.

Besides these sessions, the SPS MWF representatives (in collaboration with SPS researchers reps) organized an aperitivo for Max Weber Fellows with the SPS Faculty and researchers in order to fully integrate MWFs into the wider SPS EUI Community.

In addition to self-organized sessions by the SPS MWF Representatives in coordination with other SPS MWFs, the APG group also participated in the Course Curriculum evaluation session with Professor Phillipppe Schmitter.


THEMATIC RESEARCH GROUPS REPORTS

CITIZENSHIP AND MIGRATION THEMATIC GROUP

This report was written with the help of the comments and input from several Max Weber members of the Migration and Citizenship Thematic Group, both over the course of the year and as it was prepared in June 2015. This document attempts to balance and represent the diverse opinions of various Fellows, though it does so imperfectly.

Overall, Max Weber Fellows (MWFs) had different experiences and opinions of the group, as well as different preferences for improving it in the future. Some Fellows ultimately enjoyed the group and found it very useful; others found it to only be of occasional interest or benefit. Most agreed that some aspects of the group worked better than others. Generally speaking, most Fellows appreciated the opportunity the group provided for collaborating across academic ranks, e.g., PhD researchers, postdoctoral fellows, and faculty. Opinions were more mixed about the contributions of interdisciplinarity. There was some skepticism about the ability to achieve sustainable and meaningful interdisciplinary dialogue in the sense of not just partaking in a common discussion, but generating insights that changed the way others thought or approached their research. That said, some Fellows found benefit, despite the challenges. Skepticism was also expressed about whether the activities of the group always made the best use of Fellows’ limited time at the EUI, though opinions again diverged as to the extent this was an issue.

One of the remarkable aspects of the Migration and Citizenship Thematic Group was its membership, which included six Max Weber Fellows, perhaps a dozen PhD researchers, two faculty mentors, and several fellows with other appointments, for example, through the Marie Curie programme or with the Schumann Centre. Most MWFs viewed this broad membership positively, particularly the opportunity to collaborate with PhD researchers, as
well as to build relationships with faculty members. That said, attempting to serve the diverse needs of the different constituent stakeholders may have contributed to some of the frustration many MWFs felt with the format and activities of the group as initially proposed, which was tellingly referred to as a seminar. These activities included assigned readings of secondary literature, as well as reaction paragraphs on the readings, due the night before the group's meeting. Many Fellows were familiar with such activities from their undergraduate or graduate studies and felt strongly that such activities and the skills they foster were not the most appropriate use of time at the postdoctoral level.

That said, the faculty mentors of the group proved themselves open to dialogue and to the evolution of the group. The reaction paragraphs, for example, were ultimately abandoned during the course of the year. Such assignments can (and probably should) be omitted, with little resulting impact on the group and the goals it serves. However, should future thematic groups serve members across academic ranks – as many group members hope – it will likely prove necessary both to avoid shoehorning the thematic group into existing formats (such as PhD research seminars) and to create a format that is at least as valuable or more than other activities researchers, Fellows, and faculty would otherwise engage in.

The thematic group commenced with three initial sessions of assigned secondary readings on broad themes of migration, citizenship, and social protection, featuring both classic texts and recent articles of the faculty mentors. Another three sessions over the course of the year were workshops with Max Weber lecturers or other guest speakers. Finally, approximately seven sessions were designed by groups of two or three Fellows and researchers who facilitated the discussion and selected readings. Some Fellows expressed a preference to read secondary literature; more desired to receive feedback on their own research (generally, article drafts or working papers). Few PhD researchers wished for feedback on original work, as they have well-structured opportunities in their own departments. In the end, most member-organized sessions included one or two drafts of articles/working papers by Fellows, along with key secondary texts that addressed similar questions. The session usually commenced with the Fellow(s) and/or researcher(s) in charge presenting the genesis and main themes of their research, even if said research was not part of the readings. Questions and answers for the facilitators followed, as did a broad group discussion of the themes, led by the session facilitators. Meaningful feedback on the working papers, however, was sometimes challenging because of the timing of the sessions (e.g., too early or late in the working paper cycle), or because of the challenges of interdisciplinarity. Concretely, while there were often lively and interesting exchanges across disciplines, conversation often strayed from the working paper. The reasons for this could be many, but one reason was that it proved hard for some outside a given discipline to engage with the discipline-specific methodologies, topical concerns, and conventions that ultimately determine whether an article will be accepted for publication or not. Debating the big ideas was often easier for participants, but sometimes of less tangible benefit to the authors of working papers. Moreover, several Fellows felt that their research was only partly related to the themes of the group, let alone any given session, making it all the harder to provide and receive meaningful feedback both outside their discipline and outside their topic. For some Fellows, these circumstances made benefits indirect and seldom, whereas for others, this environment nonetheless created real and often unexpected insights.

In the future, it will be necessary to continue to clarify and experiment with the purpose of the working groups and to ask bold questions, such as whether the thematic, interdisciplinary group is the best format for helping Fellows (or researchers) move from working paper or draft to publishable article, given that publication is generally controlled by discipline-specific journals and sub-specialized referees. If not (or if the thematic groups are actually better tailored to other purposes), what purposes should the groups serve? One Fellow, for example, suggested that the thematic group was most effective in introducing members of the university working on similar issues to each other, laying the ground for future, less formal collaboration between individual members. Another Fellow suggested that the group meetings could be an opportunity for mock job talks and/or formally mentoring researchers, as well as presenting working papers/thesis chapters. These working papers, it was further suggested, could be co-authored across disciplines or academic ranks. Regardless of the purpose, what structures and activities should be in place to make this dialogue the most productive possible? Should they take the present form of ten or more, two-hour sessions, or would half-day workshops, conferences, or other formats better serve these purposes? Should there be minimum hours so PhD researchers can receive credit, or can the number or format of sessions be tailored to the needs of the individual group? Should interdisciplinary
exchanges be formalized in large groups, or are they best left to informal or smaller configurations? How should the themes of such groups be selected, and by whom in the EUI? How do they relate to other groups in the university? For example, one faculty member (not affiliated with either group) asked why there was a Migration and Citizenship Thematic Group when another Migration Working Group already exists through the Schumann Centre. In practice, given limited time, some group members had to choose between activities of the two groups. How does one avoid the temptation of trying to box all the intellectual activities of an extremely diverse and rapidly changing group of Fellows, researchers, and faculty at the EUI (many of whom pursue multiple projects, simultaneously) into a few themes? There is substantial concern among several Fellows and faculties that in the future, the EUI and/or Max Weber Programme may try to select Fellows or other members of the university based on their ability to contribute to a few thematic groups, ignoring their academic potential and the myriad other faculty resources and activities the university offers for growth and success. In short, as with all activities, given the limited duration of Fellowships, how does one ensure that the thematic groups maximally contribute to the professional success of those who elect to participate while preserving the freedom of those who seek interdisciplinary and cross-rank collaboration in other formats? The Migration and Citizenship Thematic Group has made several contributions, both to the research, thinking, and collaboration of many of its members, as well as to this broader and ongoing conversation about thematic groups. For this, the Fellows would like to thank the faculty mentors for their involvement, and to the audience of this report for its kind attention.

**EUROPE IN THE WORLD: FOREIGN RELATIONS, INTERNATIONAL SECURITY, WORLD POLITICS THEMATIC GROUP**

In the academic year 2014-2015, only one Max Weber Fellow took part in the thematic group ‘Europe in the World’. The thematic group’s activities consisted of those organized by the Europe in the World research area at the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies at the EUI. The activities research seminars and conferences organized throughout the year; as well as an Executive Training Seminar organized on April 2015.

The research seminars took place on 23 October 2014, 20 November 2014, 11 December 2014, 11 February 2014, 25 February 2015, 18 March 2015, 7 May 2015 and 11 June 2015. Presenters included distinguished outside speakers (Robert Keohane, Mark Pollack), visiting senior scholars (Stefan Schirm, Thomas Christiansen), postdoctoral fellows and PhD researchers at the EUI. Topics varied from European crisis to institutional learning within NATO.

The two conferences organized within the framework of the programme took place on 29 September 2014 (on China), and on 20-21 April 2015 (on Gulf). Both of these well-attended conferences were organized by the RSCAS, and were open to the wide EUI community. Last but not least, the research area was responsible for a one session at the State of the Union conference organized by the EUI, the theme of which was ‘Confronting the Future of Europe’.

In addition, the programme organized a workshop on 18 October 2015, titled ‘Structural Power in International and Comparative Politics’, with senior scholars from all over the world, during which I acted as a discussant. The research area also organized the Executive Training Seminar ‘Europe in the World’ on 15-17 April 2015. In this ETS, the faculty included prominent American and European researchers and practitioners from the area of international relations, and security. These included Andrew Moravcsik, Anne-Marie Slaughter, Robert Cooper, and James Sperling. The ETS was open to the whole EUI community, and was attended mostly by young academics and professionals from the area of international relations.

In addition to these formal events, there has been a plentitude of informal meetings, where junior and senior researchers and professors associated with the research area met to discuss both research, and professional development.

**GOVERNANCE, CONSTITUTIONALISM AND DEMOCRACY THEMATIC GROUP**

This thematic group involved seven MW Fellows: three lawyers (Or Bassok, Cristina Fasone and Diane Fromage), three political scientists (Zoe Lefkofridi, Martijn Schoonvelde and Florian Stoekel) and one historian (Eric O’Connor). On a few occasions, externals among which Jean Monnet Fellows also attended.

It met on eleven occasions between September 2014 and May 2015. Of these eleven sessions, one was dedicated to preparation, three to reading ‘brilliant pieces’ in relation to the three themes of our thematic group, one was devoted to comments on (already published) pieces of the conveners and 3.5 to commenting on the Fellows’ pieces.
One additional session consisted in a workshop led by Prof. G. de Búrca in the framework of the MW lecture she gave at the Institute and the 1.5 session left was devoted to the discussion of the Fellows’ research projects.

A majority of the participating Fellows appears to have enjoyed this experience overall. The debates generated were felt to be most interesting and sometimes even too short. Some particularly valued the feedback they received on their work-in-progress and the session with the guest lecturer was also very much liked. The number of participants was considered to be fine, although some expressed the opinion that it could be slightly increased. The interdisciplinary focus was particularly enriching and useful at the time of organizing multidisciplinary workshops. Also, this framework constituted a unique opportunity to get to know some of the Fellows and their work better. Besides, it allowed the participants to gain inside knowledge of the differences among disciplines in terms of publishing strategies, publication styles and reviewing. It provided information regarding publishing strategies and how to handle reviewers’ comments.

However, acknowledging that this thematic group was convened for the first time, the participants consider there is room for improvement and some suggestions will be made here. Firstly, there is a strong request for more involvement in the design of the activities; Fellows would very much welcome a more bottom-up approach instead of the top-down one which they felt prevailed this year. In the same spirit, conveners should intervene to redirect the debate or add input instead of sometimes truly leading and monopolizing the discussion. While their input is obviously always valuable, they may have a specific pre-conceptualized idea of what is of interest to the Fellows without really asking them. Also, some flexibility could be introduced in terms of attendance, the sessions could have been less numerous in some Fellows’ view (especially since preparation time is important and there are many more activities) and in any case better spread over the year, i.e. from December onwards.

With regard to content, the initial sessions, and in particular the ‘classics sessions’ organised at the beginning, were not found to be particularly stimulating. The participants strongly preferred reading each other’s work-in-progress rather than established scholars’ published pieces. Hence, this part, if maintained, could be reduced to one session and, instead, Fellows who wished to could for instance be given the opportunity to present more than one piece, especially given the high value of the comments received. Same goes for the sessions devoted to the research proposals which should be reserved to the Fellows who really plan to apply for funding and do need feedback instead of obliging all Fellows to present a proposal they may never use elsewhere.

INEQUALITY AND EFFICIENCY IN EDUCATION AND LABOUR MARKETS THEMATIC GROUP

The Max Weber Fellows part of the Thematic Research Group Inequality and Efficiency in Education and Labour Markets are satisfied by the experience this year in the group. The present report highlights the positive aspects of this experience, before turning to the suggestions for the future.

Positive aspects:

A research-oriented seminar:

Professors Bernardi and Ichino did a very good job of organizing the group with the focus on helping the Fellows advance their research. We liked the research-seminar oriented structure of the group. Meetings gave the opportunity to each Fellow to present work in progress and get feedback. One of us served each time as a discussant. The discussion was animated, everybody always taking part in it. The TRG was thus an occasion to present our work to a mixed audience of economists, historians, sociologists and political scientists. Except the work of discussants, the TRG did not imply for us other work than preparing our presentations to the group and we consider this as a great advantage.

A homogenous group:

The second positive aspect of this year was that we had close research practices, using quantitative and qualitative analyses, along with theoretical instruments for applied purposes. Furthermore, we shared a strong thematic interest across disciplines. The theme of inequality has been a major backbone for the group, making the Piketty visit in particular a central moment, which we all enjoyed.

Suggestions for the future:

The Max Weber Fellows of the group would like to make some suggestions for the future, in order to organise interdisciplinarity and to maintain the homogeneity of the group.
**Organising interdisciplinarity:**

To help realise the aim of the TRG, which is to foster interdisciplinary activities, we consider it would be appropriate to design some guidelines on how to do work in an interdisciplinary manner. In an introductory meeting, it would be helpful that the representatives of each discipline or sub-discipline among us define what their discipline values in terms of research, which research questions and methods are central in that discipline, and what is the structure of the final product in that discipline used to disseminate research (papers, journal articles, books). This would help each of us better understand the standards against which to comment on the various presentations throughout the year.

**Maintaining the homogeneity of the group:**

With more individuals with different interests and methods next year, the group might have less success than this year. Adding people with less interest in quantitative and qualitative methods, and in applying theoretical instruments could diminish the efficiency and the interest of the work done together.

**LEGAL, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL THEORY AND HISTORY OF THOUGHT**

At the start of the year our group met and was given the opportunity to decide the group’s agenda for the year. We opted to use the sessions to gather feedback on our work. The sessions were of strategic importance to us since we received detailed feedback from academic experts on how to write a good academic paper, and gathered comments across the disciplines. The sessions were also important intellectually. We gained insight into the debates in other disciplines and learned about different approaches and methodologies to important questions.

We agreed that the sessions, which generated interdisciplinary debate, were important to the intellectual life of the Max Weber programme. We might have been able to organise things even more efficiently at the start if we had more information about the agenda of the groups. It is important that this agenda is both complementary to the development of our careers (through developing good publications and research), but also to our intellectual development. It is important to engage with other modes of analysis and systems of thought. It is also important that people have discussions across different approaches to the same discipline, i.e. qualitative and quantitative. Exposure to different ideas and critical thinking are key components of our intellectual endeavors.

We appreciated the input of our leads and agreed that it would also be helpful for them to participate so that we were able to see their papers and review their work.

Additionally we had two master classes with Max Weber Speakers. Our meeting with Quentin Skinner was a unique opportunity to engage with, and learn from, the world leading expert in intellectual history.

**TOMMASO PADOA-SCHIOPPA: THE DESIGN AND GOVERNANCE OF MONETARY AND FISCAL POLICIES AND FINANCIAL REGULATION IN THE EUROPEAN UNION THEMATIC GROUP**

The theme of this thematic research group is inspired by the work of Tommaso Padoa-Schioppa (1940-2010), a central banker and Minister of the Economy and Finance in Italy (2006-08) who is often credited as the father of the European single currency. This year, the research group brought together economists working on monetary policies, international macroeconomics and finance, economic historians, political economists, and lawyers interested in financial regulation and constitutionalism.

Members: Axelle Arqué (ECO Fellow), Georgina Banulescu (ECO Fellow), Federica Romei (ECO Fellow), Lukas Martin Haffert (SPS Fellow), Eileen Keller (SPS Fellow), Thomas Raineau (HEC Fellow), Damien Gerard (LAW Fellow), Pierre Schlosser (Res. SPS)

Leads: Prof. Pepper Culpepper (SPS), Prof. Richard Portes (London Business School and CEPR). Prof. Portes is the inaugural holder of the Tommaso Padoa-Schioppa Chair at the European University Institute, which focuses on the analytical challenges and policy responses of international macroeconomics and finance in Europe.

After an introductory session in September 2014, the Thematic Research Group met on nine occasions during the academic year 2014-2015, as follows:

- 20 October 2014: presentation and discussion of papers by (i) Eileen Keller (‘Forging a new SME-compromise. Lobbying success and business influence after the financial crisis – A case study on capital requirements for SME lending’); and (ii) Damien Gerard (‘Managing the financial crisis in Europe: the role of State aid law enforcement’).
- 27 October 2014: presentation and discussion of papers by (i) Lukas Haffert (‘Starving the Beast or Overfeeding the Beast? Conservative Parties and Budget Surpluses’); and (ii) Axelle Arqué (‘Fire sales, inefficient banking and liquidity ratios’).

• 27 November 2014: presentation and discussion of a paper by Pierre Schlosser ('The expansion of fiscal surveillance in EMU: an actor-centric analysis').

• 22 January 2015: presentation and discussion of a paper by Thomas Raineau ('From Whitehall to the governo degli economisti: Elements for a comparative history of national administrations and European monetary integration'), followed by an interdisciplinary discussion of C. Teulings and R. Baldwin's VOX eBook on Secular stagnation: Facts, causes, and cures, with the participation of Prof. Claus Offe.


• 7 April 2015: interdisciplinary discussion on the situation of Greece, including Greek political and economic history, the on-going crisis and the austerity response, the new ruling coalition and possible solutions to the current situation.

• 21 April 2015: interdisciplinary discussion on the future of the Eurozone, including recent EU Commission proposals, implications in terms of political integration and limitations put by, e.g., Member States' constitutional courts.

• June 17 2015: master class with Prof. and Max Weber Lecturer Wendy Carlin (UC London) on the CORE project designed to rethink the teaching of economics (http://www.core-econ.org/) by integrating the micro and macro perspectives and developing a more case-oriented approach (e.g., inequality, environment, growth, unemployment, instability).

In addition, members of the Thematic Research Group actively participated in activities of the Tommaso Padoa-Schioppa Chair and other events held at the EUI on the Euro Area Crisis and the Banking Union.
MAX WEBER LECTURES

The 2014-2015 Max Weber Lectures were given by:

Peter Ghosh, Jean Duffield Fellow in Modern History, University of Oxford. His lecture ‘Why Should We Read Max Weber? The Case of Wissenschaft’ took place on 15 October 2014.

Abstract: In 1964 this question was open and was passionately debated, but in 2014 Weber’s canonical position is so secure that it seems superfluous. Nonetheless, the question should be asked, because if it is not, then any view of Max Weber as an integral thinker recedes into the distance, and he dissolves into a series of specialized fragments. The lecture suggested that Weber is perhaps unique in his identity as a universalist thinker capable of operating under modern conditions, such as specialization and cultural difference, which are radically hostile to universalist thought. To answer this question, Peter Ghosh considered, first, the more obviously universalist areas of his thought (academic ‘science’ or Wissenschaft, religion, law) and then one that is not (politics). However, this is matter for four lectures at least. So here Ghosh began at the beginning: with Wissenschaft.

Oriana Bandiera, Professor of Economics, London School of Economics. Her lecture ‘Incentives for Public Service Delivery’ took place on 19 November 2014.

Abstract: The public sector provides several inputs to economic growth and their effectiveness ultimately rely on the effort and skills of the agents hired to deliver them. How can the State use incentives to recruit, motivate and retain talented agents? Do material incentives attract talent or do they discourage altruism? Do material incentives motivate agents to perform better or do they crowd-out their intrinsic motivation and reduce performance? This lecture provided some answers from recent field experiments.


Abstract: The heyday of intellectual and popular preoccupation with psychoanalysis in the West reached from the 1940s to the 1970s, from post-Nazism through Cold War consumerism to the anti-Vietnam War movement and the sexual revolution. In each country the ensuing debates over the truth about how human beings are took unique form. Only in West Germany did debates about the value of psychoanalysis as a system of thought circle so intensely around the question of whether or not aggression was an ineradicable aspect of the human animal and whether or not it might best be conceived as a ‘drive’ comparable in strength and form to libido. This paper analyzed the wholly unexpected consequences set in motion by the publication of ethologist Konrad Lorenz’s On Aggression, not only on the oeuvre of the preeminent West German psychoanalyst Alexander Mitscherlich, but also on the eventual shape taken by the New Left’s politics and theories of human nature.

Thomas Piketty, Director of the Paris School of Economics. His lecture ‘Capital in the Twenty-First Century’ took place on 21 January 2015.

Abstract: This lecture drew on Thomas Piketty’s latest book Capital in the Twenty-First Century. The Author asked the question: What are the grand dynamics that drive the accumulation and distribution of capital? Questions about the long-term evolution of inequality, the concentration of wealth, and the prospects for economic growth lie at the heart of political economy. But satisfactory answers have been hard to find for lack of adequate data and clear guiding theories. Based on a unique collection of data Piketty showed that modern economic growth and the diffusion of knowledge have allowed us to avoid inequalities on the apocalyptic scale predicted by Karl Marx. But we have not modified the deep structures of capital inequality as much as we thought in the optimistic decades following World War II. The main driver of inequality – the tendency of returns on capital to exceed the rate of economic growth – today threatens to generate extreme inequalities that stir discontent and undermine democratic values. But economic trends are not acts of God. Political action has curbed dangerous inequalities in the past and may do so again.
Claus Offe, Professor of Political Sociology, Hertie School of Governance. His lecture 'Doubts on Growth: The Discourse on 'Secular Stagnation' in the Social Sciences' took place on 18 February 2015.

Abstract: The experience of declining growth rates, near-stagnation and deflationary dangers in much of the OECD world has triggered an intense debate on both the feasibility and desirability of economic growth being restored through the adoption of promising policies and institutional reforms. In particular, the current crisis of the Eurozone leads a majority of academic and political observers to believe that strengthening economic growth is the key strategic objective for overcoming the crisis through the achievement of fiscal stability, the improvement of the employment situation, and the general social and political integration of capitalist democracies.

At the same time, there is a growing camp of those who doubt either the feasibility and/or the desirability of restoring patterns of economic growth that prevailed in the West throughout most of the post-war period. The lecture outlined five sets of analytical arguments and normative point of view that drive current controversies on the future of economic growth.


Abstract: Recent estimates suggest that more than 3,000 Europeans have travelled to Syria to fight for the 'Islamic State' (IS). UK Prime Minister, David Cameron, has argued 'It is not only the full force of the law that these people should face… when they take up arms in this way in another country, they become enemies of the state.' In accordance with this view, current counterterrorism policy seeks to curb the citizenship and mobility rights of those suspected of involvement in terrorism. Exclusion orders, flight bans, passport seizure, and forcible relocation are defended as essential to national security. For some, citizenship appears no longer as a right but conditional upon conduct or a privilege to be diminished or denied. This paper examined these developments and considers the risks to justice, to human rights, and, not least, to security, when citizenship-stripping is used as a tool of...
counterterrorism. In so doing, it asked: what does the duty of
the state to protect its people permit?

Gráinne de Búrca, Professor of Law, New York University.
Her lecture 'Reframing International Human Rights
Regimes' took place on 22 April 2015.

Abstract: International human rights regimes – the array of
UN human rights treaties and their monitoring mechanisms
– have come under attack in recent years from all sides. Eric
Posner says bluntly that '[h]uman rights law has failed …
and it ought to be abandoned.'

Samuel Moyn has advanced a range of critiques, mostly
premised on the argument that the regimes have been
singularly ineffective, and are doomed to extinction before
long. Even their defenders acknowledge that UN human
rights regimes are poorly equipped to handle many of
the challenges that confront them. They are inadequately
resourced, lack expertise, and governments ignore their
recommendations. One consistent theme of the many
criticisms is that the treaty body regimes have failed
because they operate in a determinedly top-down manner.
In Posner's words: 'the human rights movement shares
in common with the hubris of development economics
the attempt of western institutions to impose top-down
solutions on developing countries.' This lecture suggested
a very different reading. Applying an experimentalist
perspective, and drawing on evidence from the actual
practice of the UN treaty regimes, Prof. De Burca argued
that the system is much more dynamic and multi-faceted
than its detractors (and often also its defenders) suggest and
that, in particular, one of the great strengths of the human
rights treaty regimes is precisely that they operate in ways
that are not at all top-down.

Quentin Skinner, Barber Beaumont Professor of the
Humanities, Queen Mary University London. His lecture
'Thomas Hobbes and the Person of the State' took place on
20 May 2015.

Abstract: Nowadays when we speak about the state we
generally use the term simply to refer to an apparatus
of power. As a result – at least in Anglophone political
theory – 'state' and 'government' have become virtually
synonymous terms. Prof. Skinner's lecture began by
tracing the emergence in modern western political theory
of the strongly contrasting view that the state is the name
of a distinct Person. Thomas Hobbes is taken to be the
leading contributor to this development, and in the central
section of his lecture Quentin Skinner analysed Hobbes's
understanding of the state as a 'person by fiction'. His
lecture ended by attempting an assessment of the idea of
state personality. Has anything of significance been lost as a
result of the abandonment of the belief, central to so much
early-modern and Enlightenment discourse, that the state is
the name of a moral Person distinct from both government
and the governed?

Wendy Carlin, Professor of Economics, University College
London and Centre for Economic Policy Research. Her
lecture 'Institutions, Integration and Divergence: Lessons
from Europe' took place on 17 June 2015.

Abstract: Economists frequently assume that deeper
economic integration promotes the convergence of
economic regions or countries. To address the connection
between institutions, markets and economic development,
Prof. Carlin began with the thesis that within an integrated
area, two 'institutions-culture' conventions can co-exist.
Deeper integration can raise the costs of exiting the
weaker 'Southern' convention because the South benefits
from gains from trade. The second thesis was that more
integration brings economic advantages but it does not necessarily bring with it the reform of the underlying convention. The gains from trade mean the South specializes more in activities that reinforce its inferior convention. The third thesis was that strong institutions are the precondition for long term convergence and facilitate adjustment to shocks. To illustrate these theses, Prof. Carlin used evidence from post-unification Italy, post re-unification Germany and from the economic integration of the Eurozone.

Lectures are eventually published in the Max Weber Lectures Series and are available as pdf files from the EUI Publications database CADMUS (http://cadmus.eui.eu/dspace/index.jsp). The Max Weber Lectures are also filmed and can be viewed on: http://www.youtube.com/MaxWeberProgramme.

**INTERVIEWS OF LECTURERS BY MW FELLOWS**

**Peter Ghosh interviewed by Franz Fillafer (HEC)**

https://youtu.be/Nq13hRtG8_A?list=PLra9SpLONBtIQ8nH1cIrSNXqNhRzZChSX

**Oriana Bandiera interviewed by Ylenia Brilli (ECO)**
Oriana Bandiera, London School of Economics, was interviewed by Ylenia Brilli (ECO MW Fellow 2013-2015) on 19 November 2014 at the European University Institute.

https://youtu.be/_XKqOWbHg10?list=PLra9SpLONBtIQ8nH1cIrSNXqNhRzZChSX

**Dagmar Herzog interviewed by Fran Meissner (SPS)**
Dagmar Herzog, CUNY, was interviewed by Fran Meissner (SPS MW Fellow 2013-2015), on 11 December 2014 at the European University Institute.

https://youtu.be/X8KVwOmwMQ4?list=PLra9SpLONBtIQ8nH1cIrSNXqNhRzZChSX

**Thomas Piketty interviewed by Emmanuel Comte (HEC)**
On 21 January 2015 Thomas Piketty, Paris School of Economics, visited the European University Institute to deliver a MW Lecture on his latest book 'Capital in the Twenty-First Century'. On this occasion he was interviewed by Emmanuel Comte (HEC MW Fellow 2014-2015) on the intricacies of his work.

https://youtu.be/-x6e0DbB3a0?list=PLra9SpLONBtIQ8nH1cIrSNXqNhRzZChSX

**Claus Offe interviewed by Julija Sardelic (SPS)**
The interview was filmed on 20 February 2015, the day after Claus Offe’s MW Lecture ‘Doubts on Growth: The Discourse on ‘Secular Stagnation’ in the Social Sciences’. The interview by Julija Sardelic (SPS MW Fellow 2014-2015) touches on Offe’s intellectual biography and his relationship with the Frankfurt School, secular stagnation, migration and citizenship, universal basic income and social justice.

https://youtu.be/GaxI6KDkbrI?list=PLra9SpLONBtIQ8nH1cIrSNXqNhRzZChSX

**Lucia Zedner interviewed by Michael Kozakowski (HEC)**
Lucia Zedner, University of Oxford, was interviewed by Michael Kozakowski (HEC MW Fellow 2014-2015), on 18 March 2015 at the European University Institute.

https://youtu.be/uoxboa5OrvE?list=PLra9SpLONBtIQ8nH1cIrSNXqNhRzZChSX

**Grainne de Burca interviewed by Cristina Fasone (LAW) and Antonio Marzal Yetano (LAW)**
On 22 April 2015 Grainne De Burca, New York University, was interviewed by Cristina Fasone (LAW MW Fellow 2013-2015) and Antonio Marzal Yetano (LAW MW Fellow 2014-2015) on how changing academic environments shaped her as a scholar and much more.

https://youtu.be/JvzfE7nVqUk?list=PLra9SpLONBtIQ8nH1cIrSNXqNhRzZChSX

**Quentin Skinner interviewed by Julia McClure (HEC) and Franz Fillafer (HEC)**
On 20 May 2015 Quentin Skinner, Queen Mary University of London, was at the Max Weber Programme in San Domenico di Fiesole. Here he was interviewed by MW Fellows Franz Fillafer (HEC MW Fellow 2014-2015) and
Julia McClure (HEC MW Fellow 2014-2015) who worked hard to ask questions yet unexplored by previous interviews.

https://youtu.be/TIN_8aYzjRU?list=PLra9SpLONBtIQ8nH1cIrSNXqNhRzZChSX

Wendy Carlin interviewed by Eileen Keller (SPS) and Silvana Tarlea (SPS)
On 17 June 2015 Wendy Carlin, University College London and Centre for Economic Policy Research was interviewed by Eileen Keller (SPS MW Fellow 2014-2015) and Silvana Tarlea (SPS MW Fellow 2014-2015) on her work, her academic career and advice to young academics starting their careers.

https://youtu.be/UWdze2r28qQ?list=PLra9SpLONBtIQ8nH1cIrSNXqNhRzZChSX

MWP OCCASIONAL TALKS

Paul Ginsborg, Professor of Contemporary European History, University of Florence. His occasional talk ‘Recent Italian Politics in Historical Perspective’ took place on 14 January 2015.

Abstract: By whatever measuring rod one cares to adopt – economic, political, cultural – the Italian Republic has undoubtedly been in increasing difficulty since the early 1990s. The long dominion of Silvio Berlusconi in Italian politics has been only one, albeit highly significant, expression of a general decline, which has been accelerated by the global crisis from 2008 onwards. Faced with this situation, many distinguished commentators, both internal and external, have expressed doom-laden sentiments about Italy’s destiny. It is difficult to disagree with much of what they say, but Ginsborg urges caution. The Italian Republic – references to a second or third Republic seem to me to be rather spurious – has shown a remarkable capacity to survive. To explain why this is so, Prof. Ginsborg adopted a predominantly historical perspective, concentrating on three areas of enquiry: Italy’s cultural specificity as a Catholic and Mediterranean country; the perennial role of strong families acting as buffers against crises of varying dimensions; and the long-term European performance of Italy in relation to what Edward Thompson once called ‘the great arch of bourgeois revolution’. The picture that emerged was neither comforting nor cataclysmic.

John McCormick, Professor of Political Science, University of Chicago. His occasional talk ‘The Rhetoric and Reality of Class Politics in Machiavelli’s Istorie Fiorentine’ took place on 16 March 2015.

Abstract: In this talk, Prof. McCormick wanted to demonstrate that the specific details of Machiavelli’s historical account of the respective actions of the Florentine people and nobles within the Histories decisively undermine any general, evaluative statements on Machiavelli’s part that overcriticize the people and that signal a newfound sympathy for the nobles.

He suggested, therefore, that proponents of the ‘late-conservative Machiavelli’ thesis err when they rely overwhelmingly on the latter to the utter neglect of the former in their analyses of the Histories. They consistently ignore the blatant discontinuity between, on the one hand, Machiavelli’s demonstration of how peoples and nobles behave throughout the book, and, on the other, what he says about the behaviour of these respective groups in the work.

He argued that the former contravene the latter, and that the literary-rhetorical method deployed by Machiavelli in the Histories – a mode of writing through which, even more so than in The Prince and the Discourses, deeds trump words – serves to substantially reinforce, rather than in any way undermine, Machiavelli’s previously expressed democratic republicanism in his later, seemingly more conservative, political writings.

Cecile Laborde, Professor of Political Theory, University College London. Her occasional talk ‘Is Liberalism Secular?’ took place on 23 April 2015.

Abstract: In this talk, Prof. Laborde asked whether liberal legitimacy requires secularism – or separation between state and religion. She argued that the best way to answer this question is to ‘disaggregate’ religion into four constituent elements; and she argued that the liberal state is secular in four distinct senses. The aim was to identify a universal minimal secularism, one not tied to a particular western history of secularization, yet one that meets basic liberal democratic desiderata.
Agata Bielik-Robson, Professor of Jewish Studies, University of Nottingham. Her occasional talk ‘The Postsecular Turn: Enlightenment, Tradition, Revolution’ (jointly organized with the project ReligioWest) took place on 14 May 2015. Abstract: The aim of this lecture was to give a general and accessible overview of the so-called ‘post-secular’ turn in contemporary humanities.

The main idea behind the post-secular turn is that it constitutes an answer to the crisis of secular grand narratives of modernity: in Rosenzweig’s case – the Hegelian narrative of the immanent progress of the Spirit; and in case of Adorno, Horkheimer, and Habermas (all representatives of the Frankfurt School) – the Enlightenment narrative of universal emancipation. All these thinkers want to rethink the place of religion in the seemingly secularized modern paradigm and see if revelation can cooperate with Enlightenment, i.e. whether it can support Enlightenment values in times of their ‘crisis of legitimacy.’

But this is not the only meaning of late-modern post-secularism. A parallel interpretation, coined more or less at the same time as Habermas, by John Milbank and his pupils, Philip Blond and Conor Cunningham insists on the return of theology in the hard-core version of Radical Orthodoxy. Radical Orthodoxy’s merit lies in gathering all theologico-conservative critiques of modern nihilism under the one heading of the post-secular reconquest of the West in the name of tradition. And, finally, the third use of religious terminology today: this time in favour of the revolution. This variant of the post-secular debate, which revolves mostly around the ‘revolutionary figure’ of Saint Paul (Taubes, Agamben, Badiou, Zizek), constitutes a radically left answer to the crisis of Marxism as the allegedly scientific insight into the objective laws of history. Despite irreconcilable differences between these three options, there is also a clear sense of affinity: in all three cases, religion is recollected in order to counteract the detrimental tendency, characteristic of a purely secular modernity, to reduce human existence to a monotonous quasi-natural cycle of life and death in which radically new political decisions either count for nothing or simply become impossible. But the post-secular use of religion may also be accused of such reductive instrumentality itself, summoning elements of transcendent faith merely in order to change the immanent conditions of our social life. It was also her aim to assess this objection and see if such a pragmatic use of transcendence for the sake of immanence, which post-secular thought advocates, could be justified from the theological point of view.

David Armitage, Lloyd C. Blankfein Professor of History and of the Department of History, Harvard University. His occasional talk ‘Worlds of Civil War: Globalizing Civil War in the Late Twentieth Century’ (jointly organized with HEC) took place on 21 May 2015. Abstract: The talk critically examined the ‘globalization’ of civil war in three distinct, but overlapping, ways. First, civil wars became global phenomena, seemingly distributed across all parts of the world and then gradually coming to supplant international or inter-state wars as the most characteristic form of large-scale organized violence around the globe. Second and closely related to the first, civil war was increasingly brought under the jurisdiction of international and global institutions, especially international humanitarian law. And third, the communities within which civil wars were imagined as taking place became ever wider and more capacious, expanding from ‘European civil war’ to various conceptions of ‘global civil war’ early in the twentieth century.

Fred Cooper. Professor of History, New York University. His occasional talk ‘Citizenship Between Empire and Nation: Remaking France and French Africa, 1956-1960’ took place on 9 June 2015. Abstract: As the French public debates its present diversity and its colonial past, few remember that between 1946 and 1960 the inhabitants of French colonies possessed the rights of French citizens. Moreover, they did not have to conform to the French civil code that regulated marriage and inheritance. One could, in principle, be a citizen and different too. This talk examined momentous changes in notions of citizenship, sovereignty, nation, state and empire in a time of uncertainty about the future of a world that had earlier been divided into colonial empires.
MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH WORKSHOPS

The Multidisciplinary Research Workshops 2014-2015 were as follows.

MASTER CLASSES WITH THE MW LECTURERS

16 October 2014
Peter Ghosh, University of Oxford – 'Reading the Protestant Ethic: A Master Class with Peter Ghosh'
Thematic group: Legal, Social and Political Theory and the History of Thought

20 November 2014
Oriana Bandiera, London School of Economics – 'Incentives for Public Service Delivery: Further Discussion'
Thematic group: Inequality and Efficiency in Education and Labour Markets

11 December 2014
Dagmar Herzog, City University of New York – 'Sex after Fascism'
GRaSE (in conjunction with RSCAS and HEC)

19 February 2015
Claus Offe, Hertie School of Governance – 'Ideal Normative Theory and Real World Data'
Thematic groups: Citizenship and Migration; Governance, Constitutionalism and Democracy; Legal, Social and Political Theory

19 March 2015
Lucia Zedner, University of Oxford – 'Migration and Citizenship from a Criminal Law Perspective'
Thematic group: Citizenship and Migration

22 April 2015
Grainne de Burca, New York University – 'The EU and Human Rights'
Thematic group: Governance, Constitutionalism and Democracy

21 May 2015
Quentin Skinner, Queen Mary University London – 'Moral Principles and Social Change'
Thematic group: Legal, Social and Political Theory and the History of Thought

17 June 2015
Wendy Carlin, UCL
Thematic group: Tommaso Padoa-Schioppa: The Design, Regulation and Governance of Fiscal and Monetary Policies in the European Union
**MWP EVENTS BY MW FELLOWS**

5 December 2014  
*Poverty Research Workshop*  
Organiser: Julia McClure (HEC)

The Poverty Research Workshop aimed to establish an inter-disciplinary discussion on poverty research, the future directions and uses of a poverty research network, and ways in which academic practice can be linked to society today. A number of speakers from a range of disciplines from inside and outside the EUI, and a roundtable discussing setting up a poverty research network, focused on poverty and its many facets.

10 February 2015  
*European Security: A Talk with Baroness Pauline Neville Jones*  
Organisers: Damien Gerard (LAW), Thomas Raineau (HEC), Garvan Walshe (SPS)

Baroness Neville Jones of Hutton Roof has been National Security Adviser to David Cameron, and Security Minister in Her Majesty's Government. Formerly Chairman of the UK's Joint Intelligence Committee, Lady Neville Jones has also been Political Director at the Foreign Office and a governor of the BBC. She was Britain's chief negotiator at the Dayton Accords which brought an end to the Bosnian War. Earlier in her career she was deputy chef de cabinet to Commissioner Christopher Tugendhat and served the Foreign Office in Singapore and Bonn.

She delivered her address at a time when dangers to European security are particularly acute. In particular, the recent terrorist attacks in France have raised again the question of a more ambitious anti-terrorist policy at EU level; Russia's actions in Ukraine present the EU with a further set of serious security challenges; and some European states, and the EU itself, are engaged militarily on different fronts beyond the EU, from Mali to ISIS.

11 February 2015  
*Diversities and Inequalities: Multiculturalism vs Interculturalism Debate*  
Organiser: Julija Sardeliç (SPS)

According to many scholars contemporary society is becoming increasingly diverse, especially in the age of global migration. People with different (often externally ascribed) identities, backgrounds and statuses are living in a common space co-creating the pluralistic society with their own experience as well as engagement. However, at the same time, many academics have argued that diversities are necessarily interrelated with certain societal hierarchies, which go hand-in-hand with the production of an individual's social inequalities. Throughout history, as well as in the present, members of pluralistic societies have developed various measures to 'manage' their diversities and hence also address inequalities (even in cases where this produced even deeper exclusion of certain populations, such as migrants and minorities). The question of managing diversity and addressing inequalities is also currently in the spotlight because of the on-going economic crisis and, to a certain extent, the decline of the welfare state as well as growing intolerance towards marginalized populations.
This workshop compared and critically evaluated two theoretical approaches (as well as their implementation in practice) that address these challenges: multiculturalism and interculturalism.

The keynote speaker was Professor Will Kymlicka (Queens University at Kingston), who presented his view on the multiculturalism versus interculturalism debate. His presentation was followed by a roundtable with Max Weber Fellows and open discussion.

2 March 2015
*Law and War: An Uneasy Relationship*
Organisers: Or Bassok (LAW), Pablo Kalmanovitz (LAW), Michal Onderco (SPS)

- Are so-called killer robots – machines that can decide autonomously on the use of lethal force – inherently unlawful?
- Labeling states as ‘rogue’ does not lead to a change of their behaviour. But what if there is a different point to such labeling?
- If combatants follow orders approved by military lawyers, can they still refuse to obey these orders if they find them manifestly unlawful?
- Are crimes against humanity an extension of war crimes or a distinct moral and legal category in the context of international criminal law?

These and other questions were discussed in the Law and War Workshop.

13 March 2015
*Mapping Mutual Trust*
Organisers: Megan Andrew (SPS), Franz L. Fillafer (HEC), Damien Gerard (LAW)

While mutual trust has been brought up with increased frequency in the European political/legal debate over recent years, the literature has repeatedly pointed to a lack of conceptualization of mutual trust as a significant lacuna. That lacuna reflects a difficulty, that of circumscribing a notion that appears to defy easy categorization. As a result, discussions of mutual trust in the current EU context tend to refrain from defining trust and rather focus on its apparent manifestations. The lack of conceptualization of mutual trust is problematic because it prevents a systematic discussion of the significance and limits of that notion, whereas the Union is keen to incorporate within its regulatory mechanisms a conclusive presumption of mutual trust between Member States and mutual trust has been hailed by the EU Court of Justice as nothing else than a ‘raison d’être of the European Union’ (Case C-411/10, N.S., para. 83). The workshop engaged in a process of ‘mapping mutual trust’ in order to inform ultimately a possible rationalization of that notion in the current EU context.

24 March 2015
*Parliaments and Parliamentary Elections in Europe – MWP-RSCAS joint conference*
Organisers: Cristina Fasone (LAW), Diane Fromage (LAW), Zoe Lefkofridi (MW-JM Fellow and University of Salzburg)

How has the role of parliaments – the European Parliament (EP) and national parliaments – evolved since the beginning of the European integration process? What is the current state of the art in terms of functions performed and powers and of their democratic elections? In pursuit of these questions, this Joint MWP/RSCAS conference brought together scholars from different disciplines – history, law, and political science. Such an interdisciplinary reflection is particularly necessary now given the tensions to which parliaments in Europe are currently subject: more and more complex decision-making processes between the European and the national level; increasing rule-making powers of the executives and administrations; the powers of national parliaments under the Treaty of Lisbon; the judicialization of politics; the populist challenge and the role of media; channels of direct and of participatory democracy; low voter turnout and political disaffection. Issues that were addressed during the conference were:

- Parliamentary accountability and its crisis in Europe
- Democratic elections: making sense of the parliamentary mandate
- Parliamentary functions
- The inter-institutional balance in trouble
- Political constitutionalism in the EU
- Parliaments and the control of compliance with the principle of subsidiarity

22-23 April, 26 May 2015
*Multidisciplinary Research Workshop on data scraping with Python (coorganized by MWP, SPS and ECO)*
Organisers: Scott Abramson (SPS), Elena Esposito (ECO)
Cities are hubs in global migration patterns and arguably the place where the most mobile populations meet the least mobile. This graduate workshop aimed to bring together researchers who are working on issues linked to the city, migration or both. The focus of the workshop was on issues related to urban diversity. Understanding urban migration driven diversity calls for dynamic analysis of the issues involved. While some headway has been made with a recent diversity turn in the migration literature there is ample room to further our understanding of the migration-city nexus. Particularly we face some conceptual and empirical hurdles in starting to think urban politics in more complex ways.

Keynote speaker: Fran Tonkiss (London School of Economics, Director of the Cities Programme)

What role do Constitutions play in national and supranational polities? How do they evolve over time? This workshop aimed to discuss issues like the legitimacy of constitutional amendments and their limits, the actors who drive constitutional change, the constitutional nature of conventions, the relationship between politics and Constitutions and the actual functioning of institutions despite formal rules, within a comparative and EU perspective.

Speakers: Richard Albert (Boston College Law School) and former MW Fellow Thomas Beukers (Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs and EUI Law Department)

The aim of this workshop was to study the relationship between legal norms and the laws of nature. Intellectual historians, lawyers, legal historians, philosophers and political theorists will look at the historical and contemporary dimensions of this relationship. Today ‘behavioural regularities’, mainly based on the ‘discoveries’ of the cognitive sciences, loom large in both policy- and lawmaking. They lend legitimacy to legislation and serve as a conceptual resource that permits governments to fine-tune their policing of society by adjusting it to citizens’ ostensible behavioural patterns and routines. The contributions to the workshop retrieved the recurrent tropes, schemes, and modes employed in the modeling of the relationship between law and the study of nature since early modern times. This historical reconstruction of the ties between legal norms and the laws of nature will enable us to view afresh the contemporary dilemmas caused by the reliance on cognitive and behavioural studies.

This workshop investigated the many ways in which aesthetics are important to us in our work and in the way we fashion ourselves as academics, both at the individual and institutional levels. The goal of the workshop was to use the idea of aesthetics as a means to question what we do in society as academics and academic institutions. The workshop also wanted to historicize the aesthetic norms that have become entrenched in our practice and question their validity.
The Future of Basic Income Research

Organisers: Juliana Bidadanure (SPS Fellow), Robert Lepenies (LAW Fellow)

The past three decades have seen the elaboration of a vast body of literature on universal basic income – a policy proposal Philippe Van Parijs referred to as a ‘disarmingly simple idea’. It consists of a monthly cash allowance given to all citizens, regardless of personal desert and without means-test. Basic income studies are an example of successful interdisciplinary research, involving philosophers, political scientists, economists and sociologists, among many others. Basic income proponents have identified, evaluated and deconstructed many potential and actual objections against this radical proposal.

The one-day conference on 26th June was the result of a competitive call for abstracts that yielded twenty-two new contributions to discuss the philosophical, economic and political aspects of the basic income proposals. By pulling together academics, activists and critics, the organisers aimed to identify what should be on the agenda for the future of Basic Income research.

On 27th June the conference was complemented by a workshop discussing the new book by Philippe Van Parijs and Yannick Vanderborght (under contract with Harvard University Press).

The event was generously sponsored by a Young Scholar Event Grant of the Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET), as well as by the Max Weber Programme at the EUI, The Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies and Prof. Rainer Bauböck (SPS), Prof. Arpad Abraham (ECO), Prof. Fabrizio Bernardi (SPS), Prof. Hans W. Micklitz (LAW) and Prof. Robert Hoekman (RSCAS).

MAX WEBER FELLOWS READING GROUPS 2014-2015

Reading group on Economics and Philosophy
Coordinator: Robert Lepenies (LAW)

The Reading Group on Philosophy and Economics is an interdisciplinary, friendly, community that meets regularly throughout the year. They read and discuss texts from the field of Philosophy & Economics very broadly understood.

CONFERENCES

In 2014-2015 the Max Weber Programme organized the following conferences.

9th MWP-ACO Conference
On 26th November 2014 ACO organized a conference titled ‘Exploring European and National Funding Opportunities’. The Observatory hosted representatives from European and national research agencies in order to provide an overview of various research and funding schemes available to both researchers and Fellows. The agencies highlighted in particular those opportunities that are directly aimed at early-career scholars. Delegates explained their programmes and offered advice and insights on the application progress. The meeting included representatives from the European Research Council, Research Executive Agency; representatives from the national research agencies of the UK, Ireland, France, Germany, Switzerland and funding bodies such as the DAAD.

8th JMU-MWP Graduate Symposium
Moving beyond the Crisis: Internal and External Policy Challenges of the European Union 16 April 2015, joint conference by JMU and the MWP.

The EUI’s Max Weber Programme and James Madison University’s MA Program in European Union Policy Studies held their 8th Joint Graduate Symposium.

The symposium gave JMU’s MA students in European Union Policy Studies an opportunity to present and discuss their own research with Max Weber Fellows and the wider EUI community, in what was for most of them the first academic conference they actively participated in. While the European Union is gradually moving beyond the crisis, symposium papers this year discussed the policy challenges that lie ahead, such as: energy security, migration and asylum, counter-terrorism action, youth unemployment and EU enlargement.

As two institutions promoting academic excellence, the EUI and JMU granted an award for the best paper produced for the conference. The award was given to the paper after its final submission, following the comments of the discussants and the Q&A session at the symposium, and further elaboration in agreement with the JMU professors. The scientific committee was comprised of Eileen Keller, Julija Sardelić, Trajche Panov and Chiara Steindler. The award was announced at the JMU Commencement Ceremony on 19 June 2015.
The annual June Conference of the Max Weber Programme provided an interdisciplinary perspective on cutting-edge debates in research and academia. It brought together scholars in Economics (ECO), History (HEC), Law (LAW), and Social and Political Science (SPS). As a forum committed to fostering inter-cohort academic collaboration and cross-institutional exchange, the June Conference featured the work of current Max Weber Fellows (MWFs), former MWFs, and postdocs who currently hold EUI Jean Monnet Fellowships or Marie Skłodowska-Curie grants. This year, the entire EUI Community welcomed Jean Tirole and Gertrude Lübbe-Wolff as distinguished speakers.

Organising Committee:
Ylenia Brilli (MWF ECO)
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Michal Onderco (MWF SPS)
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Annika Wolf (MWF LAW)

Panel 1.1
The EU Post-Lisbon and After the Crisis: Challenges for the EU, National and Regional Levels of Government

The panel aimed to analyse new constitutional developments triggered by the Treaty of Lisbon and the legal reaction to the Eurozone crisis. Issues like the mutation of the constitutional structure in the EU, national constitutional conditions posed to European integration, the place of the democratic principle in shaping national constitutional identities and the role of regional parliaments in the EU were discussed.

Coordinator:
Cristina Fasone (MWF LAW)

Chair:
Martijn Schoonvelde (MWF SPS)

Papers:
Giuseppe Martinico (Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa), ‘The Constitutional Implications of the European Union Crisis’

Thomas Beukers (Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs), ‘The Eurozone Crisis and National Constitutional Conditions to Institutional Change’

Cristina Fasone (MWF LAW), ‘Do Constitutional Courts Care about Parliaments in the Eurozone Crisis? On the Precedence of the Constitutional Identity Review’

Diane Fromage (MWF LAW), ‘Regional Parliaments in the Post-Lisbon Era’
Panel 1.2
Labour Inequalities and Migration
This panel analysed the relationship between inequalities in the labour market and migration. The papers focused in particular on questions of migrants’ different skills, uneven access to legal protection, and complicated relationships to other workers.

Coordinator:
Michael Kozakowski (MWF HEC)

Chair:
Koen Docter (HEC Researcher)

Papers:
Michael Kozakowski (MWF HEC), ‘Vectors of Modernity? The Industrial Ideal and Vocational Training for Migrants in France, 1945-1974’
Gabrielle Clark (Charles Warren Centre, Harvard University), ‘Guestwork on Trial: Who Comes Out Ahead When Temporary Migrant Labour Goes to Court?’
Emmanuel Comte (MWF HEC), ‘The Origins of the May 1968 Labour Crisis in France’

Panel 2.1
Individual Attitudes and Policy in a Globalized World
Papers in this panel explored how individual attitudes change in response to diverse policy challenges nowadays. Drawing on a variety of material and methodological approaches, this panel addressed the main questions of individuals’ positions towards issues of domestic and transnational nature.

Coordinator:
Michal Onderco (MWF SPS)

Chair:
Michal Onderco (MWF SPS)

Papers:
Diego Muro (Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals, Universitat Pompeu Fabra), ‘Do International Factors Influence Support for Secession? EU Membership in the Cases of Catalonia and Scotland’
Michal Onderco (MWF SPS), ‘How Much Damage Did the Crisis Make? A Probe into Foreign Policy Public Opinion in Europe’
Phillip Ayoub (Drexel University) and Jeremiah Garretson (Stony Brook University), ‘Getting the Message Out: Globalization, Media Context and Changes in National Attitudes toward Homosexuality’
Hent Kalmo (MWF LAW), ‘One Size Fits All’

Panel 2.2
Governing Movement
This panel brought together scholars engaging with the rules and regulations that are created to govern the movement of people. The formation of migration regimes, the aesthetics of the texts that underlie them and the social implications of the multiple legalities they result in were discussed from different vantage points and by spanning a number of different case studies.

Coordinator:
Fran Meissner (MWF SPS)

Chair:
Rutger Birnie (SPS Researcher)

Papers:
Halit Mustafa Tagma (Ipek University) and Bezen Balamir (Zirve University), ‘EU’s Multilateral Engagement on Migration: Agenda Setting Through Norm Entrepreneurship’
Julija Sardelic (MWF SPS), ‘Circular Mobilities and Liminal Legal Statuses: Reconsidering Migration of Romani Minorities in Europe’
Inés Valdez (Ohio State University), ‘Sovereign Law and US Immigration Enforcement: Punishment, Race and the Organisation of Latino/Immigrant Exclusion’
WEDNESDAY
10 JUNE 2015

PANEL 3.1
MONETARY POLICY AND
FINANCIAL STABILITY
Using a variety of methods and case studies (both within countries and across the EU), this panel explored the underpinnings, consequences, and tools of monetary policy in modern economies.

Coordinator: Martijn Schoonvelde (MWF SPS)
Chair: Lukas Haffert (MWF SPS)
Papers:
- Jan Klingelhoefer (RWTH Aachen University), 'The Renaissance of Macroprudential Monetary Policy Tools: Evidence from China'
- Eileen Keller (MWF SPS), 'Negotiating the Future of Banking'
- Damien Gerard (MWF LAW), 'Beyond Appearances: Making Sense of the SSM’s Regulatory Design'
- Axelle Arquié (MWF ECO), 'Monetary Policy'

PANEL 3.2
CONTRACTS, AUTHORITY AND
INFORMATION
This panel used formal principal-agent models to explore how ambiguous information, competitive insurance or social protests affect the bargaining processes that take place with firms and with the government.

Coordinator: Aranzazu Crespo (MWF ECO)
Chair: Agustin Casas (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid)
Papers:
- Vitor Farinha Luz (MWF ECO), 'Characterization and Uniqueness of Equilibrium in Competitive Insurance'
- Martin Dumav (MWF ECO), 'Long-term Contracts with Ambiguous Perceptions'
- James Cross and Derek Greene (University College Dublin), 'Tracking Negotiation Flows in the Council of the European Union: A Social Network Analysis'
- Agustin Casas (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid), 'Ideological Extremism and Primaries'

PANEL 3.3
KNOWLEDGE, AUTHORITY AND
GLOBALISATION
This panel examined the production of knowledge in globalised contexts. It critically analysed the making of scientific authority, particularly its relationship to imperial and other political forces.

Coordinator: Michael Kozakowski (MWF HEC)
Chair: Franz Leander Fillafer (MWF HEC)
Papers:
- Julia McClure (MWF HEC), 'Modelling the World: A Brief History of the Geopolitics of the Global Concept'
- Robert Lepenies (MWF LAW) and Magdalena Malecka (MWF LAW), 'Authority of Scientific Knowledge: The Case of the Behavioural Sciences in Law and Policy'
- Thibaud Boncourt (Centre Européen de Sociologie et de Science Politique, Paris), 'Does Globalisation Mean Knowledge Convergence? A Comparative Perspective on the History of European Social Science Organisations'
- Silvana Tarlea (MWF SPS), 'Government Composition and Higher Education Development: Is there a Left-Right Divide in New Democracies?'
Panel 4.1  
Technology and Innovation
This panel explored the transmission of technology, patent rights and the role of new technologies to understand issues such as growth, development, political participation or access to knowledge and its regulation.

Coordinator: Aranzazu Crespo (MWF ECO)

Chair: Gianluigi Fioriglio (University of Rome La Sapienza)

Papers:
- David Pretel (Universitat Pompeu Fabra), 'Expert Knowledge and Colonialism: Sugar Production under American Rule (1900-1930)'
- Michalis Rousakis (University of Oxford), 'The Length of Patents and the Timing of Innovation'
- Martijn Schoonvelde (MWF SPS), 'Media Systems and Voter Knowledge: An Agent-Based Model'
- Gianluigi Fioriglio (University of Rome La Sapienza), 'Freedom, Authority and Knowledge On-Line: The Dictatorship of the Algorithm'

Panel 4.2  
International Trade
Globalisation is the process of international diffusion arising from the interchange of world views, products, ideas and other aspects of culture. From the beginnings of globalisation to modern multinational production, this panel explored how increased connectivity has changed health, growth and the formation of political identities.

Coordinator: Aranzazu Crespo (MWF ECO)

Chair: Lian Allub (MWF ECO)

Papers:
- Meha Priyadarshini (MWF HEC), 'International Trade in the Early Modern Period'
- Yarine Fawaz (CEMFI), 'Trade-induced Mortality'
- Aranzazu Crespo (MWF ECO) and Marcel Jansen (Universidad Autonoma de Madrid), 'The Role of Global Value Chains during the Crisis: Evidence from Spanish and European Firms'
- Lian Allub (MWF ECO), 'Asymmetric Effects of Trade and FDI'

Panel 4.3  
The City and Its Migrants
Cities are hubs for international migration and questions of how to understand the social and political consequences of people moving to and in cities are at the forefront of migrant research. This panel presented three perspectives on the nexus between the city and its migrants by focusing on the complementary issues of citizenship, diversity and trade and their role in social bonding in the city.

Coordinator: Fran Meissner (MWF SPS)

Chair: Julija Sardelic (MWF SPS)

Papers:
- Dirk Gebhardt (GRITIM-Universitat Pompeu Fabra), 'The Role of Cities in Regulating Immigrant Citizenship – in the Case of Barcelona'
- David Do Paço (HEC), 'The Lucky Condition of Being a Foreigner: Ottoman Merchants in 18th-Century Vienna'
- Fran Meissner (SPS), 'Towards Relational Diversity: Rethinking Migrant Networks'
THURSDAY
11 JUNE 2015

PANEL 5.1
MINORITIES AND LIMITED CITIZENSHIP
This panel discussed the causes and implications of citizenship rules in different national contexts and moments in history with a special focus on the treatment of minority groups and their integration. The papers presented addressed problems surrounding the recognition, de jure or de facto, of limited citizenship during war time, under authoritarian regimes and in a democratic system. The contributions highlighted the role of ethnicity, self-government and individual and collective rights.

Coordinator:
Cristina Fasone (MWF LAW)

Chair:
Julija Sardelic (MWF SPS)

Papers:
Valerie McGuire (New York University), 'At the Borders of Belonging: Italian Imperial Citizenship, Jus Sanguinis and Fascism’s Mediterranean Empire (1912-47)'

Sofiya Grachova (MWF HEC), 'Jewish Health Care and Citizenship in Russia through the First World War (1914-1921)'

Jean Beaman (Purdue University), 'Boundaries of Citizenship: Social Marginalization among France’s Ethnic Minorities'

PANEL 5.2
DETERMINANTS AND PERCEPTION OF INEQUALITY
The papers in this panel adopted different methodologies to uncover how institutional settings, culture and historical events contribute to redistribution and (the perception of) inequality and to provide a novel normative framework for redistributive justice.

Coordinator:
Ylenia Brilli (MWF ECO)

Chair:
Robert Lepenies (MWF LAW)

Papers:
Juliana Bidadanure (MWF SPS), 'Free to Steal: The Ethics of Social Banditism'

Elena Esposito (MWF ECO) and Scott Abramson (MWF SPS), 'The Resource Curse in the Long Run. Evidence from Nineteenth-Century Coal Extraction in European Regions'

Nan Zhang (MWF SPS), 'Anti-Corruption Efforts and Public Opinion in China: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in an Autocratic Regime'

PANEL 5.3
FISCAL POLICY
This panel studied fiscal (and some monetary) policy using both theoretical models and empirical data. Questions addressed, among other issues, the persistence of budget surpluses, the optimal speed for economies to reduce their public debt and the existence ‘self-fulfilling recessions’.

Coordinator:
Martijn Schoonvelde (MWF SPS)

Chair:
Lian Allub (MWF ECO)

Papers:
Florian Stoeckel (MWF SPS), 'Left-wing but Unwilling to Support Redistribution? The Case of Public Support for Transnational Fiscal Transfers in the EU'

Federica Romei (MWF ECO), 'The Need for (the Right) Speed'

Lukas Haffert (MWF SPS), 'Between Distribution and Allocation: The Politics of Indirect Taxation Revisited'

Plenary Session
Keynote lecture by Jean Tirole, Toulouse School of Economics: ‘Narratives, Imperatives and Moral Reasoning’

Chair: Ramon Marimon (ECO Professor) and Martin Dumav (MWF ECO)
Panel 6.1
Justification and Implications of War
This panel addressed the interlinked relationship between politics and international law in the area of war. Papers, adopting diverse theoretical approaches from both political psychology and legal theory, offered arguments based both in theory and in the rigorous study of historical material.

Coordinator: Michal Onderco (MWF SPS)
Chair: Garvan Walshe (MWF SPS)
Papers:
Pablo Kalmanovitz (MWF LAW), ‘Regular War, Jus in bello, and the Ideal of Limited War’
Garvan Walshe (MWF SPS), ‘Against Revisionist Just War Theory’
Franziska Exeler (Higher School of Economics, Moscow), ‘Soviet Justice, International Law, and Treason Trials’
Hassan Malik (Toulouse School of Economics), ‘The Logic of Revolutionary Default in a Globalized World’

Panel 6.2
Youth and Family Life: Socialisation and Rights
The papers in this panel addressed youth and family organization and identity creation. By examining the choices and strategies youth and family members face in light of new political regimes or recent migration, these papers analysed the production of memory, forms of socialisation with authorities.

Coordinator: Michael Kozakowski (MWF HEC)
Chair: Michael Kozakowski (MWF HEC)
Papers:
Sayaka Chatani (MWF HEC), ‘Youth and the Dual Peripheries: Okinawan Youth and Japan’s Nation-Empire’
Diana Georgescu (MWF HEC), ‘Between Trauma and Nostalgia: The Politics of Generational Memory in Postsocialist Romania’
Can Aybek (Bremen University of Applied Sciences), ‘Risk and Uncertainty in Migration Processes: Transnational Couples and Regulations for Spousal Migration’

Panel 6.3
Participatory and Direct Democracy in the European Space and Beyond
This panel addressed four important aspects related to democratic participation: the role played by exogenous factors (including weather conditions) on voter turnouts; the effects of alcohol bans implemented on election day; the importance of other forms of citizens’ participation besides electoral turnout; and the debates surrounding local referendums on Britain’s European Union membership.

Coordinators: Ylenia Brilli (MWF ECO) and Zoe Lefkofridi (RSCAS-MWF SPS/Salzburg)
Chair: Zoe Lefkofridi (RSCAS-MWF SPS/Salzburg)
Papers:
Akis Psygkas (University of Bristol), ‘The Participatory Democracy Index’
Eric O’Connor (MWF HEC), ‘We'll hold Our Own Vote: Local Referendums in Great Britain on Joining the European Community, 1971’
Anna Lo Prete and Federico Revelli (University of Torino), ‘Voter turnout and City Performance’
Brandon Restrepo (U.S. Food and Drug Administration), ‘Unintended Benefits of Election Day Alcohol Bans: Evidence from Road Crashes and Hospitalizations in Brazil’
PANEL 7.1
HISTORY OF KNOWLEDGE AND SOCIAL THEORY
This panel revisited ontological and epistemological debates by contextualising, locating and historicising knowledge production, the conceptualisation of law, the interpretation of Marxist theory and the development of Hobbes’s philosophy.

Coordinator: Zoe Lefkofridi (RSCAS-MWF SPS/Salzburg)
Chair: Matthew Hoye (Maastricht University)
Papers:
William Carruthers (MWF HEC), ‘Locating and Materialising Knowledge’
Takahiro Chino (MWF SPS), ‘Marxism in the ‘Periphery’: The Cases of Gramsci and Tosaka’
Franz Leander Fillafer (MWF HEC) and Magdalena Malecka (MWF LAW), ‘Law and Nature: From Natural Drives to Behavioural Regularities’
Matthew Hoye (Maastricht University), ‘Epistemology, Natural Justice and Sovereignty in Hobbes’

PANEL 7.2
INTERNATIONAL LAW
This panel brought together scholars from different disciplines. The main focus of the papers researched European and international law, discussing legal emulation and the evolution of legal norms and structures concerning international business, international politics and international relations.

Coordinator: Annika Wolf (MWF LAW)
Chair: Migle Laukyte (EUI)
Papers:
Annika Wolf (MWF LAW), ‘Forum Shopping for Corporate Restructurings in Europe and the US’
Elaine Fahey (City Law School, City University London), ‘The Global Reach and the Effects of EU Law: Text, Forms and Causes’
Adam Bower (University of Oxford), ‘Towards a Research Agenda on Non-Party States and International Law’
Geraldo Vidigal (EUI Jean Monnet Fellow/Max Planck Institute Luxembourg), ‘Global Regulators? The Shifting Role of International Courts’

PANEL 7.3
PUBLIC SUPPORT AND THE SOURCES OF LEGITIMACY OF POLITICAL AND JUDICIAL INSTITUTIONS
To what extent is public support needed for the legitimate operation of European and national institutions and how has its role changed in the EU and beyond? The papers presented in this panel tackled these questions from different perspectives, namely as regards transnational fiscal transfers in the EU, the effects of the euro-crisis, the relationship between Europeanisation and the politicisation of debates on European integration, and the legitimacy of judicial actors.

Coordinator: Cristina Fasone (MWF LAW)
Chair: Cristina Fasone (MWF LAW)
Papers:
Alexia Katsanidou (GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences), ‘Beyond Kriesiland: The Relationship between Economic, Cultural and European Issues in Europe After the European Debt Crisis’
Swen Hutter (European University Institute) and Edgar Grande (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München), ‘Beyond Authority Transfer: Explaining the Politicisation of Europe in Public Debates’
Antonio Marzal Y etano (MWF LAW), ‘The Cultural Study of EU Law’

Or Bassok (MWF LAW), ‘The Changing Understanding of Judicial Legitimacy’

FRIDAY
12 JUNE 2015

PANEL 8.1
EDUCATION AND INEQUALITY
The papers in this panel explored the role played by schools, institutions and families for the development of education systems, the achievement and acquisition of further education, and the integration of physically disabled individuals, by drawing on a variety of material and methodological approaches.

Coordinator:
Ylenia Brilli (MWF ECO)

Chair:
Brandon Restrepo (U.S. Food and Drug Administration)

Papers:
Thomas Raineau (MWF HEC), ‘Portraying French Academe in the Late 1990s: Public Representations, Oddities and Inequalities in the ‘Collection Premier Cycle’

Ruth Kitchen (école des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris), ‘Deaf Education – the Rhetoric and Realities of the Language of Inclusion’

Megan Andrew (MWF SPS), ‘The Difference a Degree Makes? Traditional and Non-Traditional Credentials in the Intergenerational Transmission of Maternal Education’

Ricardo Estrada Martinez (MWF ECO), ‘Rules Rather than Discretion: Teacher Hiring and Rent Extraction’

PANEL 8.2
NORMS, INSTITUTIONS AND MECHANISM DESIGN
This panel used formal models and experimental data to understand issues, such as whistle-blowing on corruption, state formation, in-group bias and domestic judicial compliance with international regimes.

Coordinator:
Martijn Schoonvelde (MWF SPS)

Chair:
Elena Esposito (MWF ECO)

Papers:
Scott Abramson (MWF SPS), ‘An Institutional Common Score of National Constitutions’

Moti Michaeli (MWF ECO), ‘From Peer Pressure to Biased Norms’

Arthur Dyevre (KU Leuven), ‘Domestic Judicial Defiance and the Authority of International Legal Regimes’

PLENARY SESSION


Chair: Annika Wolf (MWF LAW)

POSTER SESSION

Denisa Banulescu (MWF ECO), ‘Volatility During the Financial Crisis Through the Lens of High Frequency Data: A Realized GARCH Approach’

Barbara Bottalico (MWF LAW), ‘Law and Neuroscience’

Zoe Lefkofridi (RSCAS-MWF SPS/Salzburg) and Michael J. Donnelly (University of Toronto), ‘European Integration and Policy Responsiveness’

Ylenia Brilli (MWF ECO), ‘Mother’s Time Allocation, Child Care and Child Cognitive Development’
In April 2015, we conducted a survey among the Max Weber Fellows in which we asked them to evaluate the programme’s activities. We then compared this year’s survey results with the results of a similar survey made in the past two years. This section shows some of the main findings of this comparison.

For every cohort of Max Weber Fellows, the MWP organizes a workshop on course design, completion of which is one of the conditions for obtaining a Max Weber Programme Teaching Certificate. In 2014-2015, the workshop attracted Fellows’ interest, reaching the highest participation rate over the past three years (66% of survey respondents). Satisfaction with the workshop was also high, with the large majority of those who participated finding the workshop a useful activity.

*The 2014-2015 survey covered the period of MWP activities from 1 September 2014 to 1 April 2015; the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 surveys covered the period between 1 September and 1 February of those academic years.*
The Max Weber Lectures, another major activity of the programme, were very positively evaluated by Fellows. Up until April 2015, the MWP had organized six lectures and the survey results show that the 2014-2015 Fellows considered these lectures relevant (19% considered them highly relevant, 26% very relevant and 44% simply relevant). When compared with the previous two years, the Max Weber Lectures are gaining in importance. A high percentage of surveyed fellows (84% in total) believe that the lectures enhance understanding between the four disciplines.
The survey also covered other specific activities of the 2014-2015 academic year. The September presentations, in which all Fellows give a short presentation of their work, by way of introduction to the EUI community and their respective departments, was one such. More than three quarters of the Fellows (76%) attended all the presentations, and Fellows also considered them a helpful way to introduce themselves and their research to the EUI community. Compared to the previous academic year, the 2014-2015 survey results show a slightly lower attendance at the September presentations, but this was nevertheless higher than attendance in 2012-2013. Results also show that a very high majority of Fellows (96% overall) consider these presentations useful. A large majority of the Fellows (90%), the highest in comparison to the past two years, were satisfied with the feedback they received on their presentations from MWP staff.

![Figure 17. September presentations. Did you participate in all the presentations?](image1)

![Figure 18. Did you consider the format to be helpful in introducing yourself and your research to your colleagues and the EUI faculty?](image2)
The Thematic Groups, introduced to provide an interdisciplinary forum for Fellows to present their on-going research, were also evaluated in the survey. Survey results show that more than half of the Fellows (52%) considered the Thematic Groups to be an added value to their Max Weber Fellowship. Cross-group interaction also seem to be very active, since more than three quarters of the Fellows (78%) say they had significant intellectual exchange with the members of a Thematic Group different to their own. At the same time, Fellows who did not belong to any group appeared to be satisfied, although some (20%) who were not members of Thematic Groups felt disadvantaged in comparison to those in Thematic Groups.

Overall, the 2014-2015 survey results confirmed the expectation that the new element of the Max Weber Programme, Thematic Groups, was an especially useful activity for an interdisciplinary exchange among Fellows. Results also showed that some of the core activities of the Programme, such as the course design workshop and the Max Weber lectures, continue to be highly valued by the Fellows and considered a substantial contribution to their participation in the Programme.
Figure 21. Did you have any significant intellectual interaction with one or more MWFs who were not members of your group?

Figure 22. For “No group” members: would you have liked to be a member of a group?

Figure 23. For “No group” members: did you feel disadvantaged relative to those Fellows who were in a group?
Established in March 2007, the Academic Careers Observatory (ACO) of the Max Weber Programme is now in its eighth year of activity. The Observatory is funded by the European Commission and, in line with the overall objective of the MWP, it provides online information on academic careers in Europe and beyond to early and mid-career scholars. Using the resources available within the EUI and the MWP, the Observatory compiles information for a wider internet public. In a dual capacity, the Observatory also provides a comparative framework for reflection on the situation, problems and perspectives of academic careers in the humanities and social sciences in Europe and elsewhere. As this report on its activity shows, in the year 2014-2015 ACO has expanded the way in which it interprets and performs comparative monitoring of academic careers.

ACO WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCE

On 19 November, ACO offered an informal workshop on funding opportunities for the postdoctoral fellows of the European University Institute. The main purpose of this workshop was to provide the fellows with some useful insights into European funding opportunities aimed directly at early-career scholars. Particular attention was given to such topics as: Horizon 2020 and its impact on European funding schemes for early-career fellows; applying for Marie Curie Individual Fellowships and ERC Starting Grants; host institution support; and the application review process. Participants in this workshop were Rasmus Hoffmann (an ERC grant holder at the EUI and former Max Weber Fellow), Jelena Džankić (Marie Curie Fellow at the EUI), Andrea Calderaro, (Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies at the EUI) and Ingo Linsenmann (Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies at the EUI).

A week later, on 26 November 2014, ACO organized its annual conference on funding opportunities for young and mid-career scholars. At this conference, representatives from both European and national agencies provided an overview of the available research and funding schemes for young and mid-career scholars in the Social Sciences and Humanities. The conference, which hosted representatives from the European Research Council and European Executive Agency, was split into three panels, running consecutively, and covered funding opportunities available at the European level, and opportunities available from national funding agencies in the UK, France, Switzerland, Ireland, and Germany.

On 13 February 2015 ACO, with the EUI Department for History, co-organized a roundtable at the workshop on public history and the media. This roundtable was dedicated to public history as an alternative career for EUI Alumni and looked at opportunities for public history jobs in museums and exhibitions.

TESTIMONIALS ABOUT THE JOB MARKET EXPERIENCE

During 2014-2015, ACO continued carrying out interviews on the job market experience: interviewees were former Max Weber Fellows (MWF), both early- and mid-career scholars, and of Fellows from the 2014-2015 cohort. The main purpose of these interviews is to hear about the Fellows’ experience on the job market, compare these experiences across countries and disciplines, and provide first-hand information about the different job markets to all those interested in academic careers in the social science and humanities. The questions ranged from the more general, focused on current trends and characteristics in the job market in a given country and discipline, to the more specific, concentrated on the details of the application process and individual experiences in job interviews.

Like in previous years, the interviews conducted during the 2014-2015 academic year cut across all four disciplines, Law, Economics, History and Social and Political Science, and documented job market experiences in countries such as Italy, Spain, the United Kingdom, Switzerland, Austria and the South American region. These testimonials are useful
for those who are just out of the job market, to compare with one’s own experience, but they are also a precious source of information for all those who will be on the job market next Fall. They give a great opportunity to young scholars preparing for the job market to read about different experiences and Fellows’ tips on how to best prepare an application, do a job talk or negotiate the conditions of a new job. Here is, for example, one of the Fellow’s views on the job market in Law:

The first thing is that you need to decide where you want to live and to apply. The US and Europe are completely different, particularly in terms of publications. If you target a market like the Italian, Spanish, French, or German market, establish and maintain a relationship with the existing academic environment. Be involved in the research networks and national associations to show your commitment to the academic community, and try to publish in the respective language. In terms of interviews, study the place as well as the position which they are opening. For example, see if they want someone similar to whoever they had selected in the past or want to change the profile of the position. Look a bit at the audience in terms of the students that the university has. Many universities in Italy want to be ranked in international university rankings, so they are interested in someone who can strengthen the international side of that university in terms of connections with other universities, as there is now an interest in creating double-degree programmes. So I see a general trend here in terms of university internationalization, yet it is important to target the specific position.

If you would like to read more, please visit www.eui.eu/ProgrammesAndFellowships/AcademicCareersObservatory/CareerTips/Index.aspx

**WEBPAGE UPDATES**

During 2014-2015 ACO also carried out updates of its country pages. Profiles of the following countries have been updated: France, Austria, the United Kingdom, Greece, Norway and Denmark. Croatia, as a new EU Member State, saw its profile on ACO’s Country Comparison webpage. The Career Tips section of the ACO webpage was updated with new interviews on the job market experience of the new Fellows. Finally, the Max Weber Fellows’ map has also been updated, to include the current positions of the former Fellows.

**PLANS FOR 2015-2016**

As it continues into its 9th year, ACO’s research agenda will become more expansive. In 2015-2016, ACO intends to develop its function as a job resource platform. It plans to enhance cooperation with the EUI Researchers and Max Weber Fellows through a more regularised feedback process and to strengthen the network of ACO collaborators who act as ‘in situ’ observers of the evolution of different academic systems.

In December 2016, ACO will organize its annual conference on European and national funding opportunities. Throughout the year, it will also continue with its regular webpage updates in order to keep its audience informed about academic careers and research opportunities in Europe and beyond.

Please visit the Max Weber Programme – Academic Careers Observatory website: www.eui.eu/ProgrammesAndFellowships/AcademicCareersObservatory/Index.aspx

![Figure 24](image.png)

Monthly hits on the ACO webpage, September 2014-June 2015.
MAX WEBER PROGRAMME STEERING COMMITTEE AND STAFF

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Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications
‘The Historical Origins of Territorial Conflict’ (with David Carter), revise and resubmit at *The American Political Science Review*.
‘Time is Power: The Non-Institutional Sources of Stability in Autocracies’ (with Carlos Velasco-Rivera), revise and resubmit at *The Journal of Politics*.

Working Papers
‘The Roots of the Industrial Revolution Political Institutions or (Socially Embodied) Know-How?’ (With Carles Boix), under review.
‘The Resource Curse in the Long-Run: Evidence From Nineteenth Century Coal Extraction in European Regions’ (with Elena Esposito).
‘Conflict, Cooperation, and Exit: a Mechanism Design Approach to the Origins of the State’ (With Jee Seon Jeon).

MWP Working Paper
‘An Institutional Common Score of National Constitutions’ (with Michael Barber), MWP WP RNS 2015/05.

Conference/Invited Presentations
‘The Roots of the Industrial Revolution Political Institutions or (Socially Embodied) Know-How?’ Bocconi University, 20 April 2015.

Other Academic Activities/Achievements
Ernst B. Haas Best Dissertation Award in European Politics and Society (American Political Science Association).
Mohamed-Ali received his PhD from Sciences Po, France, in November 2011. His main research interests are in international relations and Middle Eastern politics. From September 2015, Mohamed-Ali will take up a thirteen month senior visiting research fellowship at the Middle East Institute, National University of Singapore.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

BOOKS

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS
'Partir au nom de Dieu ? L’exemple de la hijra dans le salafisme français', in Migrations Société, vol.27, n°159-160, May-August 2015.

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

MWP WORKING PAPER

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
I organized the visit of Azmi Bishara at the EUI in January 2015.
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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Asymmetric Effects of Trade and FDI: South-America versus Europe.’ MWP_WP 2015/16.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
‘Asymmetric Effects of Trade and FDI South America versus Europe.’ Macro Research Workshop, European University Institute, Florence. 20 November 2014.
‘Asymmetric Effects of Trade and FDI South America versus Europe.’ 9th Max Weber June Conference, European University Institute, San Domenico di Fiesole, 10-12 June 2015.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Awarded the ‘Premio Extraordinario de Doctorado 2013-2014, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid.’
Organizer of the Macro Reading Group in the Economics Department.
Megan received her PhD from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, in August 2009. She is a sociologist primarily interested in the intergenerational and social psychological sources of young adults’ educational attainments. From August 2015, she will return to her position as assistant professor of sociology at the University of Notre Dame.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

OTHER PUBLICATIONS
Megan Andrew and Jennifer Flashman. ‘Peer Influence on Adolescent Educational Expectation Formation and Its Tipping Points.’ Revise and resubmit.

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘The Difference a Mother’s Degree Makes? The Role of Traditional and Non-Traditional Credentials in the Intergenerational Transmission of Education.’ MWP 2015.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Seminar Presentations
‘Reproduction, Mobility, and Inequality in the Intergenerational Transmission of Mothers’ College Quality.’ Department of Political and Social Sciences, Working Group on Social and Economic Inequality, 11 December 2014.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Principal Investigator for ‘The Dynamics of Peer Influence in an Era of School Choice.’ This study will combine collected survey data with extant administrative data to evaluate how peer networks form under perturbations to peer environments associated with school choice policies and resulting peer influence in students’ educational evaluations, effort, and achievements.
W.T. Grant Foundation, March 2015. $571,629.00
Spencer Foundation, March 2015. $49,330.00
Elected to the American Sociological Association’s Methodology Section Committee, 2015-2016.
AXELLE ARQUIÉ
(FRENCH)

Axelle received her PhD in Economics in December 2014 from the university Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne and Paris School of Economics. Her research fields are macroeconomics, financial economics and monetary policy. She received a two-year Max Weber Fellowship.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
Séminaire CNRS Orléans

MAX WEBER CONFERENCE

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
EUI Economics workshop

OTHER ACTIVITIES
Thesis defence on 5 December 2014

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Udih Mentot: Peter Reinhard Hansen

Denisa received her PhD from the University of Orléans, France, and Maastricht University, The Netherlands, in November 2014. Her main research interests are in financial econometrics, with a particular emphasis on volatility modelling and financial risk measures. From September 2015, Denisa will take up a permanent faculty position in the Department of Economics, University of Orléans, France.

**Activities during Max Weber Fellowship**

**Publications in refereed journals**


Other Publications

‘Forecasting High Frequency Risk Measures’ (with Colletaz, G., Hurlin, C., Tokpavi, S.). Article under review.

‘Do We Need Ultra-High Frequency Data to Forecast Variances?’ (with Candelon, B. Hurlin, C., Laurent, S.). Article under review.

**MWP Working Paper**

‘Volatility During the Financial Crisis Through the Lens of High Frequency Data: A Realized GARCH Approach’ (with Hansen, P.R., Huang, Z., Matei, M.), MWP WP RNS 2015/23.

**Selected conference presentations**


**Seminar presentations**


‘Volatility During the Financial Crisis Through the Lens of High Frequency Data: A Realized GARCH Approach’, Department of Economics, ENSAI, France, March 2015.

‘Volatility During the Financial Crisis Through the Lens of High Frequency Data: A Realized GARCH Approach’, Department of Economics, EUI, September 2014.

**Other academic activities/achievements**

Awarded the Fondation Banque de France (in partnership with the French Economic Association) 2015 thesis prize. This prize rewards every year the best thesis in the field of Money, Financial and Banking Economics.
Or received his JSD from Yale Law School. His research is focused on constitutional identity as well as courts’ sources of legitimacy. In his recent work, Or examined the conflict between courts’ role in articulating national identity and their function as legal experts; he also analysed the effect of the invention of public opinion polls, which measure public support for courts on the institutional dynamics between the American Supreme Court and elected institutions. His current research focuses on the Court of Justice of the European Union. Next year, he will remain at the EUI to complete a two-year Max Weber Fellowship.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS
'South African Constitutional Doctors with Low Public Support.’ Constitutional Commentary, forthcoming.

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

MWP WORKING PAPER
Interpretative Theories as Roadmaps to American Constitutional Identity. MWP WP RNS 2015/02

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
'The Israeli Supreme Court Changing Source of Legitimacy.’ International conference on Judges as Guardians of Constitutionalism and Human Rights, organized by the European University Institute, the University of Copenhagen and the University of Oslo. EUI, Florence, 6-7 November 2014.

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Juliana successfully defended her PhD from the University of York (UK) in September 2014. Her work so far has been on egalitarianism in theory and practice, and in particular on questions of equality between age groups. She also has a strong interest in basic income and the introduction of youth quotas in parliaments. In September 2016, Juliana will be moving to California to take up an Assistant Professorship at Stanford University. She will be based in the Philosophy department, with an affiliation to the Centre for Ethics in Society.

**ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP**

**PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS**


**CHAPTERS IN BOOKS**


**BLOG POSTS**

Bidadanure, Juliana, (2015). ‘Six reasons why the UK parliament should have youth quotas.’

Open Democracy: https://www.opendemocracy.net/juliana-uhuru-bidadanure/six-reasons-why-uk-parliament-should-have-youth-quotas

Politics in Spire: http://politicsinspires.org/six-reasons-why-the-uk-parliament-should-have-youth-quotas/

**MWP WORKING PAPER**

‘Basic Income versus Basic Capital: A Temporal Perspective’ MWP WM RNS 2015/03

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

June 2015: ‘The Ethics of Social Banditry’. Minho University VI Meetings on Ethics and Political Philosophy (Portugal).


**SELECTED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**

‘Basic income versus basic capital: a temporal perspective’, Political Economy Research Group, EUI, Political Theory Workshop, EUI, Political Theory Thematic Group, EUI.

**OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS**

Co-organizer (with Robert Lepenies) of the conference The Future of Basic Income Research, 26 June 2015.
Barbara Bottalico

Barbara graduated in Law magna cum laude and received her PhD from the University of Trento in April 2013. Her main research interests are in the field of Law, Science and New Technologies.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

BOOKS
Barbara Bottalico, Le Neuroscienze cognitive e la libertà personale, Pavia University Press (accepted, forthcoming)

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

MWP WORKING PAPER
“Not guilty by reason of insanity” in the Italian Jurisdiction. A neuroscience revolution?. MWP WP RNS 2015/12

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
Seconda Università di Napoli (Italy), 'Senza scienza non vi è nè medicina nè diritto?’, La Medicina nei Tribunali, February 2015

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
On the organizing committee of the Law & Neuroscience Winter School 2015 at the University of Pavia.
Obtained the Maw Weber Teaching Certificate
YLENIA BRILLI
(ITALIAN)

Ylenia’s research interests lie in labour economics and applied micro-econometrics, with a special interest in family, education and health. She received her PhD from the Catholic University Milan in March 2013. During her PhD, she conducted her research largely at the Collegio Carlo Alberto and at New York University. Ylenia has been a Max Weber Fellow in Economics since September 2013 and, from September 2015, she will join the Department of Economics at the University of Gothenburg.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Mother’s time allocation, child care and child cognitive development’, MWP WP 2015/03.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
‘Rethinking the crime reducing effect of education: the role of social capital and organized crime’, European Association of Labour Economics Conference (University of Ljubljana), 18-20 September 2014.
‘Mother’s time allocation, child care and child cognitive development’, XXXIX Simposio de la Asociación Española de Economía, Universitat de les Illes Balears, 11-13 December 2014.

SELECTED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
‘Mother’s time allocation, child care and child cognitive development’, Department of Econometrics and Economics, University of Lausanne, 28 October 2014.
‘Mother’s time allocation, child care and child cognitive development’, Department of Economics, University of Sussex, 9 February 2015.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES
Instructor of the course ‘Structural Econometrics: methods and applications to Labour Economics’ (PhD level), European University Institute, April-June 2015.
Member of the 9th Max Weber Fellows’ June Conference (Social Issues for Social Sciences Conference) Organising Committee, held at Badia Fiesolana, EUI, on 10-12 June 2015.

COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT
Policy report

DISSEMINATION
‘Perché investire nella prima infanzia’ ('Why should we invest in early childhood?'), workshop organized by Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro CGIL (Italian National Union of Workers), Bologna, 23 May 2015.
William Carruthers (British)

William received his PhD from the University of Cambridge in November 2014. His main research interests are in the relationship between histories of decolonisation and the field sciences, particularly archaeology, and particularly in the Middle East and North Africa.

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EUI Mentor: Stéphane Van Damme

Activities During Max Weber Fellowship

Chapters in Books

Other Publications

Blog Posts
2015b: ‘What we are talking about when we talk about Tutankhamun’s beard’. The Max Weber Programme Blog, 29 January 2015.

MWP Working Paper

Selected Conference and Seminar Presentations

Other Academic Activities
Organised (with Stéphane Van Damme, EUI) the workshop ‘Disassembling Archaeology, Reassembling the Modern World’. Held in the EUI Department of History and Civilization, 4 June 2015.
Organised (with the EUI Middle East Working Group) the film series ‘What Makes Politics? Contemporary Egypt and Political Life on Film’.

Service
Representative of Max Weber Fellows in the Department of History and Civilization to the Department and to the Max Weber Programme committee.
Sayaka Chatani (Japanese)

Sayaka received her PhD from Columbia University in New York in June 2014. Her main focus is social history of the Japanese empire, but she broadly studies modern colonial empires, nationalisms, mass mobilization, rural history, and history of childhood and youth. From August 2015, Sayaka will take up a two-year postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of History, National University of Singapore.

ACTIVEITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS


OTHER PUBLICATIONS

‘Between ‘Model Rural Youth’ and Empire: Social and Emotional Dynamics of Youth Mobilization in the Countryside of Colonial Taiwan under Japan’s Total War.’ Article under review.

MWP WORKING PAPER

From Mobilization to Mobility: The Making of ‘Rural Youth Industry’ in Japan’s Northeast Region from the 1900s to the 1920s. MWP WP RNS 2015/01

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS


OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS

Awarded a two-year postdoctoral fellowship by the National University of Singapore for 2015-2017.

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EUI Mentor: Dirk Moses
Taka received his PhD from University College London in July 2013. He mainly works on the history of political thought, in particular the thought of Benedetto Croce and Antonio Gramsci. He is now transforming his PhD thesis on Gramsci into a monograph. He has just launched his new research on global intellectual history. From September 2015, Taka will return to his fellowship at Waseda University in Tokyo.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

BOOK CHAPTERS

JOURNAL ARTICLES
Takahiro Chino. 'Croce the Lay Pope: Gramsci’s Critique of the Catholic Church and Benedetto Croce.' Being prepared for submission.

MWP WORKING PAPER
Takahiro Chino. 'Western Marxism or Marxism in the “Periphery”?: The Cases of Gramsci and Tosaka.' MWP WP 2015/12

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
Takahiro Chino. 'Religion and Common Sense: Gramsci’s Critique of the Catholic Church.' Past and Present: Philosophy, Politics and History in the Thought of Gramsci Conference. King’s College London, 18 June 2015
Takahiro Chino. 'Marxism in the “Periphery”: the Cases of Gramsci and Tosaka.' Max Weber June Conference. EUI, 11 June 2015

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
Emmanuel received his PhD from the Université Paris-Sorbonne in May 2014. His main research interests are in European integration history, migration history, history of inequalities, and French contemporary history. From September 2015, Emmanuel will be a second-year Max Weber Postdoctoral Fellow at the EUI, affiliated with the Robert Schuman Centre and the Department of History and Civilization.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

‘Migration and Regional Interdependence in the Mediterranean, from the early 1980s to the mid 1990s,’ *Journal of European Integration History* 41 (June 2015).

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS


MWP WORKING PAPER

‘The Origins of the May 1968 Labour Crisis in France.’ MWP WP RNS 2015/13

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS


OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS


Awarded the Qualification as Assistant Professor in Modern History by the Conseil national des universités, Paris, January 2015

Ranked second for the post of Assistant Professor in the History of International Relations, since 1750, by the Department of History at Utrecht University, Netherlands, May 2015.
ARANZAZU CRESPO
(Spanish)

Aranzazu received her PhD from Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (Spain) in June 2013. Her main research interests are in the area of international trade, with a particular emphasis on the effects of public policies on firms’ decisions and their impact on aggregate productivity.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

BOOKS

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘The Role of Capacity and Financial Constraints in Export Dynamics’ (joint with Jesus Muñoz Sepulveda). MWP WP 2015/17

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
16th European Trade Study Group, Munich (Germany), September 2014
XXXIX Spanish Economic Association (SAEe), Palma de Mallorca(Spain), December 2014.
XVI Conference in International Economics, San Sebastian (Spain), June 2015.

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
Faculty of Business and Economics of Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, March 2015.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Member of the organizing committee of the 9th Annual Max Weber Fellows Conference.
David earned his doctorate in history from the Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne in November 2012. His main research interests are the socio-political history of eighteenth-century Europe, cosmopolitanism and urban worlds and the history of food. Already a member of the Institut d’Histoire Moderne et Contemporaine (CNRS, ENS, Université Paris 1) he joined in December L’Équipe Alimentation (Université François Rabelais de Tours) as an associate researcher. A Max Weber Fellow since September 2013, he has been developing new research on ‘Empires and trans-imperial clienteles in eighteenth-century Europe’, especially between Central Europe and the Ottoman Empire. He is moving on to the Central European University-Institute for Advanced Studies (2015-16).

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**ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP**

**BOOKS**

**Chapters in books**

**PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS**

**MWP WORKING PAPER**
‘Viennese Delights: Remarks on History of Food and Sociability in Eighteenth-Century Central Europe’, MWP WP 2014/23

**SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**SELECTED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**

**OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS**
Participated in the Franco-German research programme (ANR/DFG) ‘Eurosclentia: localisation and circulation of state knowledge in Europe, 1750-1850’.
Taught at the Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne and joined the Academic staff of its École doctorale d’histoire.
Representative of both the Max Weber and Jean Monnet Fellows to the EUI Academic Council.
Received the core fellowship at the Central European University-Institute for Advanced Studies (2015-16).
Martin received his PhD from the University of Texas at Austin, USA, in May 2012. After a year of a postdoctoral research fellowship at Bielefeld University, Germany, he joined Max Weber Programme in 2013. His main research interests are in decision theory and game theory. From September 2015, Martin will take up an assistant professorship position in the Department of Economics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (UC3M), Spain.

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EUI Mentor: David Levine

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS
'Skorokhod's Representation Theorem for Sets of Probabilities,' a minor revision requested by the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society.
'The von Neumann/Morgenstern Approach to Ambiguity,' a revision requested by Econometrica.
'Health Insurance over the Life Cycle with Adverse Selection,' under review.
'Dynamic Contracts with Ambiguous Perceptions,' under review

MWP WORKING PAPER
'Dynamic Contracts with Ambiguous Perceptions,' MWP WP RNS 2015/09.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
'Dynamic Contracts with Ambiguous Perceptions,' 11th Econometric Society World Congress, McGill University, Montreal, 17-21 August 2015.

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Taught an advanced graduate course 'Topics in Decision Theory,' at the Department of Economics at the EUI, April-May 2015.
Chair of the keynote lecture by Jean Tirole at the 9th Max Weber Fellows Conference, 11 June 2015.
Elena Esposito

Elena received her PhD from the University of Bologna, Italy, in June 2014. Her main research interests are in economic growth and development and economic history. Her current research focuses on health and tropical diseases. In the academic year 2015-2016 she will be at the EUI for the second year of her Max Weber Fellowship.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Side Effects of Immunities: the African Slave Trade’. MWP WP 2015/09

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
‘Side Effects of Immunities: the African Slave Trade’. Income Inequality and Efficiency Thematic Group, EUI, October 2015.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
I participated in the organization of a four-lecture workshop in data-scraping at the EUI, attended by researchers and postdocs from all EUI departments.

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RICARDO ESTRADA MARTINEZ
(MEXICAN)

I am an applied economist working on education, labour and development economics. I hold a PhD in Economics from the Paris School of Economics and I graduated from the MA in Public Policy at the University of Chicago. In my doctoral dissertation, I use the centralized admission system to public high schools in Mexico City to study the general equilibrium effects of a change in demand over elite schools on school stratification, and the causal effect of elite schools on students’ expected wages, as a novel indication of school value-added.

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Mentor: Andrea Ichino

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
‘Rules Rather Than Discretion: Teacher Hiring and Rent Extraction’, European Winter Meeting of the Econometrics Society, Universidad Carlos III, Madrid, 16 December 2014
‘The Effect of the Increasing Demand for Elite Schools on Stratification’ Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC) Conference, Boston University, 2 November 2014
‘Rules Rather Than Discretion: Teacher Hiring and Rent Extraction’, Oxford Development Economics Workshop, Oxford University, 1 October 2014

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
‘Benefits to Elite Schools and the Formation of the Expected Returns to Education: Evidence from Mexico City’, Microeconometrics Working Group, Department of Economics, EUI, 23 February 2015
‘Rules Rather Than Discretion: Teacher Hiring and Rent Extraction’, Microeconometrics Working Group, Department of Economics, EUI, 13 October 2014
Vitor received his PhD from Yale University in May 2014. His research focuses on microeconomic theory and specially on mechanism design, contracts and insurance economics. On July 2015 Vitor will start as an Assistant Professor of Economics in the Vancouver School of Economics at the University of British Columbia.

**ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP**

**MWP WORKING PAPER**
‘Characterization and Uniqueness of Equilibrium in Competitive Insurance’
MWP WP 2015/15.

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**
‘Characterization and Uniqueness of Equilibrium in Competitive Insurance.’
‘Characterization and Uniqueness of Equilibrium in Competitive Insurance.’

**SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**
‘Characterization and Uniqueness of Equilibrium in Competitive Insurance.’
Humboldt University of Berlin, December 2014.
‘Characterization and Uniqueness of Equilibrium in Competitive Insurance.’
University of Bonn, January 2015.
‘Characterization and Uniqueness of Equilibrium in Competitive Insurance.’
Aalto University, March 2015.
‘Characterization and Uniqueness of Equilibrium in Competitive Insurance.’
University of Cologne, April 2015.
‘Characterization and Uniqueness of Equilibrium in Competitive Insurance.’
University of Toulouse, April 2015.

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Cristina Fasone
(ITALIAN)

Cristina received her PhD in Comparative Public Law from the University of Siena in January 2012 and was Post-doctoral Fellow in Public Law in the Department of Political Science, LUISS Guido Carli University, A.Y. 2012-2013 before joining the EUI as a Max Weber Fellow (2013-2015). Her main research interests are the constitutional implications of the Euro-crisis, in particular on parliaments and on Constitutional Courts, the role of national and regional parliaments within the EU decision-making process, and legislatures and forms of government in comparative perspective. As of September 1, 2015, she will be an Assistant Professor of Comparative Public Law at the LUISS Guido Carli University in Rome, Department of Political Science.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS


‘Regional legislatures in the early warning mechanism. When the national (constitutional) identity affects the cooperation among parliaments in EU affairs,’ Federalismi.it, no. 2, 28 January 2015, p. 2-30.

MWP WORKING PAPER


SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

‘The Implications of the Euro-Crisis Law on the Relationship between Constitutional Courts and Parliaments in a Comparative Perspective’, Cels Lunchtime Seminar Series, Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge, 29 October 2014.


OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES AT THE EUI


On 21 April 2015, interview with Antonio Marzal Yetano of Prof. Grainne De Búrca (NYU), before her Max Weber Lecture on ‘Reframing International Human Rights Regimes’.


Coordinator (with Thomas Beukers and Marijn van der Sluis) of the EUI Law Department Research Project 2013-2015 on ‘Constitutional Change through Euro-Crisis Law’. Since 1 June 2015 member of the EUI Law Team of the Horizon 2020 Project (WP4) - A Dynamic Economic and Monetary Union Project (Director, Ramon Marimon).
Franz Fillafer’s PhD, awarded by the University of Konstanz, dealt with the Enlightenment and its legacies in the Habsburg lands (1780s-1840s). During his stay at the EUI he participated in a number of stimulating interdisciplinary workshop formats and informal discussion groups that created a highly fertile and creative environment. This was particularly conducive to his interest in the history of science and scholarship, in the relationship between normative vocabularies and conceptual change, as well as in contemporary lawmaking, its epistemological buttress and sociopolitical corollaries.

Books

Publications in refereed journals

Chapters in peer-reviewed books (selection)

Selected other publications

MWP working paper

Selected conference presentations
The Promise and Perils of ‘Big History’ (Rejoinder to David Armitage), EUI, Colloquium of the Department of History and Civilization, 20 May 2015.

Other academic activities/achievements
Appointed to the editorial board of De Gruyter’s Literatur und Geschichte series
Interviews with Österreich 1, Der Standard, Hospodářské noviny.
Diane Fromage
(French)

Diane received her PhD from the University of Pavia, Italy and from the Pompeu Fabra University of Barcelona, Spain (co-tutelle) in November 2013. Her main research interests are in the role of national and regional parliaments in the EU, interparliamentary cooperation and more largely democracy in the European integration process. Diane is starting a lectureship in European and international law at the University of Utrecht on 1 September.

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Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Books

Publications in refereed journals

Selected chapters in Books

MWP Working Paper
‘Standing committees in interparliamentary cooperation’, MWP WP RNS 2015/15

Selected Conference Presentations
‘Towards a (too extensive?) diversification of the forums for interparliamentary cooperation in an always more diverse European Union’ in the framework of the 4th annual Conference of the Cambridge Journal of International and Comparative Law, 9 May 2015.
‘Executive accountability to national parliaments in EU affairs’ in the framework of the Conference ‘Resilience or Resignation: National parliaments and the EU’. London School of Economics and Political Sciences, 10 April 2015.

Other Academic Activities/Achievements
Representative of the MW Fellows.
Member of the MW Steering Committee
DIANA GEORGESCU  
(Romanian, American)

Diana earned her PhD in modern European history at the University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign. Her research interests revolve around the history of the Cold War, the transnational history of childhood and youth, memory studies, gender history, and comparative nationalism. Diana will be taking up a lecturer position in Transnational Southeast European Studies at the School of Slavonic and East European Studies at University College London.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Books

Publications in Refereed Journals

Other Publications
‘Remembering Communism After the Fall: Memory and Oral History in Postsocialist Romania,’ In Perspectives on Europe, Spring 2015, 54:1.

MWP Working Paper

Selected Conference Presentations
‘Between Trauma and Nostalgia: The Politics of Generational Memory in Postsocialist Romania,’ Max Weber Fellows June Conference, 10-12 June, Florence, Italy.

‘The Limits of Socialist Internationalism: Romanian Youth and Transnational Encounters During the Cold War,’ University of Amsterdam, 7 May 2015.


Teaching
Co-instructor (with Prof. Pavel Kolar), PhD seminar ‘Resistance in Modern Europe,’ European University Institute, Florence, Spring 2015.

Selected Seminar Presentations

‘Marrying into the European Family of Nations: National Disorder and Upset Gender Roles in Post-Communist Romanian Film,’ PhD Seminar: Gender and Sexuality Across the Disciplines, European University Institute, March, 2015.

Other Academic Activities/Achievements
Discussant for Alan Confino (University of Virginia), ‘The Warm Sand of the Coast of Tantura: History and Memory in Israel after 1948,’ History Department Colloquium, February, 2015.

Awarded a one-year junior faculty fellowship by the Institute for Historical Research, Ohio State University, United States for 2015/2016.

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EUI Mentor: Pavel Kolar
DAMIEN GERARD (BELGIAN)

Damien received his PhD from the University of Louvain, Belgium, in December 2014. His main research interests are in the theory of European integration, EU constitutional law, EU competition and internal market law. From September 2015, Damien will be lecturing at the University of Louvain and at the College of Europe, and will concurrently act as the director of the Global Competition Law Centre, a research centre affiliated with the College of Europe, while practicing law in Brussels.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

BOOKS
Le droit belge et européen de la concurrence, Wolters Kluwer, 2016. (with J. Marchandise)

SELECTED CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Integration Through Cooperation: the Case of the Banking Union’, MWP 2015
‘Mapping Mutual Trust – Understanding and Informing the Role of Mutual Trust in EU Law’, MWP 2015 (with Evelien Brouwer, Franz Fillafer, Ioannis Lianos, Valsamis Mitsilegas, Madalina Moraru, Eva Storskrubb and Jukka Snell)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

SELECTED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Teaching Exchange, London School of Economics, 2-6 March 2015.
Awarded the EUI Teaching Training Certificate, June 2015.
Discussant, EUI Competition Doctoral Workshop, 23 February 2015.
Director of the Global Competition Law Center (GCLC), College of Europe.
Editor of the Revue du droit de la concurrence belge/Tijdschrift voor Belgische Mededingingsrecht.
SOFIYA GRACHOVA
(UKRAINIAN)

Sofiya Grachova received her PhD in History from Harvard University in 2014. Her research interests include the history of the Western borderlands of the Russian empire, Jewish history and the social history of science. Currently she has been working on her book manuscript, Pathologies of Civility: Russian Jews, Health, Race and Citizenship, 1830-1930. In 2015-2016, she will hold a visiting fellowship at the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies (the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum).

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EUI Mentor: Alexander Etkind

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

MWP WORKING PAPER
'Between History and Nature: Mendelism and the Concept of Jewish 'Race' in Russian Medicine, 1900-1930,' MWP WP RNS 2015/04.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
'Health, Race, and the Jewish Question in Russia, 1830-1930,' Soviet and Post-Soviet Studies Working Group, Department of History and Civilization, 9 December 2014.
'In the Empire or of the Empire? Jews, Nationalism and Russian Imperial History.' Workshop ’Jews between Assimilation and Nationalism in Historical Perspective,’ Department of History and Civilization, European University Institute, 4 May 2015.
LUKAS HAFFERT
(German)

Lukas received his PhD from the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies in Cologne, Germany, in July 2014. His main research interests are in comparative political economy, fiscal policy, and historical institutionalism. From July 2015, Lukas will take-up a position as senior researcher at the Department of Political Science at the University of Zurich, Switzerland.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

MWP WORKING PAPER
'Permanent Budget Surpluses as a Fiscal Regime', MWP WP 2015/10.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
'Permanent Budget Surpluses as a Fiscal Regime.' ECPR Joint Sessions, University of Warsaw, 30 March-2 April 2015.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Awarded the Otto Hahn Medal for outstanding scientific achievements by the Max Planck Society.

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PABLO KALMANOVITZ  
(COLOMBIAN)

Pablo Kalmanovitz received his PhD in Political Science from Columbia University. Before coming to the EUI, he was ACLS New Faculty Fellow in the Political Science Department at Yale University. His main research interests are in the history of political and legal thought and in contemporary international political theory. He is currently completing a book manuscript on the history of the concept of regular war in international law. Starting in the fall of 2015, Pablo will be associate professor in the Political Science Department at the Universidad de los Andes in Bogotá, Colombia.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS


CHAPTERS IN BOOKS


OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Regular War: Law and Armed Force in the History of International Thought. Book manuscript under review.

‘On the Rights of Warlords: Legitimate Authority and Basic Protection in War-Torn Societies.’ Article under review (co-authored with Rob Blair).

MWP WORKING PAPER

‘Early Modern Critics of Just War: Wolff, Vattel and the Turn to Diplomatic Reason.’ MWP WP RNS 2015/19.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATION


SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

‘Regular war, ius in bello, and the Ideal of Limited War.’ Workshop on the History of International Law. Law Department, European University Institute. 8 June 2015.


‘On the Rights of Warlords.’ International Relations Working Group. SPS Department, European University Institute. 28 January 2015.


HENT KALMO
(ESTONIAN)

Hent wrote his PhD in the Faculty of Law of the University Paris-Ouest. His main research interests are in constitutional law, international law, and legal theory. In the academic year 2015-2016, Hent will be lecturing on legal theory and constitutional law in the Faculty of Law of the University of Tartu.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

OTHER PUBLICATIONS
‘Framing Judges: Apology and Utopia in the Pure Theory of Hans Kelsen.’ (article under review)
‘Utopian Estonia’ (in Estonian) Vikerkaar, 10-11, 2014.

MWP WORKING PAPER

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
‘History as Amplification. Workshop on Truth and Proof: Thinking Historically with Carlo Ginzburg, Tallinn University, 18 September 2014.
‘How to make one size fit all: reconciling pluralism with the EU common fundamental rights standard.’ Max Weber Fellows Conference. Villa la Fonte, EUI, 10 June 10 2015.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Eileen Keller (German)

Eileen received her PhD from Humboldt University, Berlin in December 2014 with a dissertation on the politics of banking regulation and corporate finance reform after the financial crisis. Her main research interests are in international and comparative political economy, European integration and multilevel governance. From September 2015 onwards, Eileen will take up a permanent research position at the Franco-German Institute in Ludwigsburg, Germany.

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Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals

Work in Progress
‘To replace or not bank lending? Collective learning in France and Germany after the financial crisis.’ Draft article.
‘Ensuring the availability of patient capital: The role of insurers.’ Draft article.

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations

Seminar Presentations and Talks
‘From Financial Sustainability to Sustainable Finance. Is Alternative Finance (part of) the Solution?’ Utrecht University, 23 April 2015.
‘Comparative Political Economy and Financial Crises in Europe.’ Guest lecture in the BA Course Comparative Politics, UPF Barcelona, 13 May 2015.
‘Crisis management capacities within the European Union. Insights from the financial crisis.’ London School of Economics, Centre of Analysis for Risk and Regulation, 28 May 2015

Other Academic Activities/Achievements
Lecturer at James Madison University, Florence; Seminar on the politics of economic, monetary and financial integration within the European Union.
Co-organizer of the academic practice group for SPS Fellows.
Co-organizer of the JMU-MWP Graduate Symposium.
Participation in the EUI MWP teaching certificate.
Michael received his PhD from the University of Chicago in August 2014. His research in the fields of European and transnational history focuses on migration and citizenship, empires and decolonization, the creation of national and racial identities, and business and labour history. Beginning in autumn 2015, Michael will join the History Department of the University of Colorado-Denver as Instructor of European History.

**ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP**

**PUBLICATIONS**


**MWP WORKING PAPER**

‘Skill and Migration in France, 1945-1974.’ MWP WP RNS 2015/06.

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

‘The Borders of the State: Mediterranean Migration in the Age of Decolonization and European Integration.’ Crossings and Circulations in the Atlantic and Indian Oceans and the Mediterranean since 1450 Conference, European University Institute – Florence, Italy, 4-6 December 2014.


**TEACHING**

‘Nations and Empires.’ Graduate seminar co-taught with Pieter Judson and Lucy Riall at the European University Institute (Winter 2015).

‘Migration in Europe: Contemporary Issues, Historical Perspectives,’ Graduate workshop designed and taught at the College of Europe, Natolin Campus – Warsaw, Poland, 27 April 2015.

**SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**


**OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS**

Co-organizer of the 9th Annual Max Weber Fellows’ June Conference.
ZOE LEFKOFRIDI (GREEK)

Zoe is joint Jean Monnet-Max Weber Fellow and recently took up the tenure-track position of Assistant Professor of Comparative Politics at the University of Salzburg. She is interested in European integration, transnational democracy and unequal representation. During the second year of her MW Fellowship she co-organised three conferences, discussed her peers’ and her own work at numerous colloquia organized by the EUI community, and taught the first academic literacy seminar for non-SPS doctoral students ‘Key Concepts in Political Science and Sociology’ (with D. Boertien).

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EUI Mentors: Brigid Laffan & Alexander Trechsel

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

MWP WORKING PAPER

INVITED TALKS
2014. 'Poverty & politics', Presentation at Multidisciplinary Workshop on 'Poverty research', MWP, EUI, 5 December.
Robert holds a PhD in Political Science from the Hertie School of Governance, Berlin. He has been a Fulbright-Schuman Fellow at Yale University. Robert holds an MSc in International Political Economy from the LSE (with Distinction) and a BA in PPE from the University of Oxford. His research is in the Philosophy of Economics, Political Philosophy, History of Economic Thought, and Philosophy of Social Sciences.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS

MWP WORKING PAPER

CONFERENCES ORGANISED
Book workshop ‘The instrument of freedom’ by Philippe van Parijs and Yannick Vanderborght, with Juliana Bidadanure, 27 June 2015

Awards
Young Scholar Event Grant (with Juliana Bidadanure) from the Institute for New Economic Thinking

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

TEACHING
‘Moral Limits of Markets’ PhD seminar session, January 2015
PhD Students mentoring sessions, LAW Department

MEDIA APPEARANCES

SERVICE
Launched global one-to-one poverty scholarship network Global Colleagues for Academics Stand Against Poverty.
Organiser of interdepartmental Economics and Philosophy Reading Group, with Magdalena Malecka. Meetings throughout the year.
Research Ethics Committee, EUI, since 2014.
Steering Committee of ASAP Deutschland e.V. as well as Germany’s country representative.
Magdalena received her PhD in philosophy from the Polish Academy of Sciences in December 2013. Her main research interests are in legal theory and philosophy of science. Since September 2014, Magdalena has pursued her research project on the behavioural approaches to law financed by Poland’s National Centre for Science and remained as part of the Max Weber Programme until March 2015. In April 2015 she joined the Academy of Finland Centre of Excellence in the Philosophy of the Social Sciences (TINT) in Helsinki.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS


OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Lepenies R., Malecka M., ‘Nudges, Recht und Politik: Institutionelle Implikationen’ to be submitted to Zeitschrift fuer Praktische Philosophie; abstract of the article accepted after blind review.

Malecka M., Lepenies R. ‘Behavioural sciences in law and policy: a case of scientific imperialism?’, to be submitted to a special issue on scientific imperialism (ed. by Mäki, Walsh and Fernandez Pinto)

MWP WORKING PAPERS

‘Behavioural sciences in law and policy: a case of scientific imperialism?’ (co-authored with Robert Lepenies) MWP WP 2015/13

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

‘Law and “nature”: from natural drives to behavioural regularities’ (with Franz L. Fillafer) XXIst Forum of Young Legal Historians ‘Law in Transition’, Tel Aviv University, March 2015


OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS

Fellowship awarded by the Kosciuszko Foundation (four-month research stay at Columbia University, Department of Philosophy, NY).


Co-organizer (with Robert Lepenies) of the reading group on economics and philosophy.

Participation in the Thematic Group ‘Legal, Social and Political Theory & History of Thought’.

Participation in the workshop for first-year PhD researchers, EUI, Law Department, December 2014.


Conference reviewer (European Congress of Analytic Philosophy 2014)
ANTONIO MARZAL YETANO
(Spanish)

Antonio received his PhD from the University of Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne, France, in October 2013. His main research interests are in EU law, conflict of laws, international economic law and constitutional theory. From September 2015, Antonio will take up a position as maître de conférences (Lecturer) in the Law School of the Sorbonne, Paris.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

BOOKS
La dynamique du principe de proportionnalité, Institut Universitaire Varenne/LGDJ, December 2014.

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘The mutual transformation of proportionality and EU law: an unconventional reading of the market freedoms case law’, MWP WP RNS 2015/11.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Co-taught a doctoral seminar at the EUI with Loïc Azolai and Vincent Reveillère, ‘Thinking EU Law’, Fall 2014.
Representative of the Max Weber Fellows of the Law Department.
Awarded the Fondation Varenne doctoral prize in European Law.
Awarded the André Isoré doctoral prize of the Chancellerie des Universités de Paris in private law.
Participation in the teaching exchange at the LSE, London, UK, March 2015.
After completing her PhD at the University of Sheffield in 2013, Julia was a postdoctoral fellow for the Weatherhead Initiative on Global History at the University of Harvard before becoming a Max Weber Fellow at the EUI. Her research interests include the socio-political and intellectual history of poverty and charity, the early history of colonialism, and global intellectual history. From September 2015, Julia will take up a three year lectureship in global history at the University of Warwick.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

BOOKS
The Franciscan Invention of the New World (submitted and under review)

ARTICLES

MWP WORKING PAPER

BOOK REVIEWS

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Organised of ‘Poverty Research Workshop’, EUI.
Representative for the ‘Legal, Social and Political Theory and the History of Thought’ working group, EUI.

TEACHING
Max Weber Teaching Certificate.
Assistant in the graduate seminar on global history with Regina Grafe and Jorge Flores.
Assistant in the graduate seminar on Early Modern History with Luca Molà.
Fran worked at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Migration as a Doctoral Research Fellow and received her PhD from the University of Sussex, UK, in September 2013. Her main research interests are in urban diversity, data visualisations and socio-technical methodologies.

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EUI Mentor: Rainer Bauböck

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Books
Fran Meisser (contracted) Socialising with Diversity, Palgrave Macmillan.

Publications in refereed journals

Other publications
'Big data and positive social change in the developing world: A white paper for practitioners and researchers.' Oxford: Oxford Internet Institute. (Report, Co-Authored with Bellagio Big Data Workshop Participants)

MWP Working paper
'Entangling and Disentangling Migration Driven Diversity through Networks', MWP WP RNS 2015/22.

Selected Presentations
'Transgressing dividing lines: making and unmaking urban grids'. Panel at RC21 annual conference (with Tilmann Heil – Konstanz): The ideal city between myth and reality. Università degli Studi di Urbino, Italy. 27-29th August.
'Towards relational diversity - or why we should move beyond a cultural lens in studying cohesion and solidarity', at Università di Bologna, Italy. 26th May.

Selected Other Academic Activities/Achievements
Course Co-ordinator – Reading the Classics: EUI Seminar.
Organisation Committee: 9th Social Issues for Social Sciences Conference. (June Conference), Coordinator of Conference Committee (Conference with 83 delegates), 10th-11th June.
Active Member: Migration, Citizenship and Social Protection Thematic Group.
Discussant: Will Kymlicka: Diversities and Inequalities. Multiculturalism vs Interculturalism Debate. 11th February.
Other: Scraping Data Workshop, Interview with Dagmar Herzog, Chairing Max Weber Lecture: Lucia Zedner.
MOTI MICHAELI (ISRAELI)

I submitted my PhD thesis in January 2014. It includes three separate theoretical papers, mostly applied theory, and is titled ‘Essays on the links between individual and collective decision making.’ In my dissertation I focused on investigating and explaining prevalent social behaviours, such as group formation, in-group bias, social norms, cooperation, signaling, social pressure and conformism. Although my research methodology up until now has been the development of theoretical models, the topics I deal with invite supplementary research in the form of experimental work, which I intend to pursue during the Fellowship period. In general, my research interests include topics at the heart of behavioural economics, such as social preferences, social norms and decision under risk and uncertainty.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Group Formation, In-group Bias and the Cost of Cheating.’ MWP WP 2015/04.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
‘From Peer Pressure to Biased Norms.’ Seminar at the department of Political Economy, King’s College, London.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Co-organized, together with Diego Gambetta of the EUI (SPS department), the SPS-Econ Experimental Workshop. The workshop included five meetings throughout the academic year, featuring 10 presenters, mostly from abroad.
Eric received his PhD in history from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in August 2014. He is a historian of modern European history who focuses on post-World War II reconstruction and the origins of the European Union. Eric’s primary tasks this year were to expand and polish his book manuscript on the history of democracy in European unity, *Democracy in the Dark: The Origins of Popular Political Participation in the European Union*, 1949-1979, as well as conduct significant archival research for his second book project at the Historical Archives of the European Union.

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**Activities During Max Weber Fellowship**

**Publications in Refereed Journals**


**MWP Working Paper**


**Conference Presentations**


‘We’ll Hold Our Own Vote: Local UK Referendums on European unity, 1971,’ European University Max Weber Programme June Conference, 9 June 2015.


**Invited Talks**

‘Organizing the Peace: Post-WWII International Institutions in Europe, 1945-1957,’ Maastricht University, 13 January 2015.

‘Toward a History of Democracy in European Integration,’ European University Institute European Integration History Working Group, 6 November 2014.

‘Then Came Armageddon,’ Gallery talk for the exhibit ‘Then Came Armageddon: A Documentary Exhibition of the War in the West on the Centennial of World War I,’ University of Wisconsin Memorial Library, Madison, Wisconsin, 8 October 2014.

Conference Panel Discussant

‘Europe and the European Communities in the Media Since 1950,’ Integration and Media, Historical Archives of the European Union, European University Institute, 5 March 2015.

**Other Academic Activities**

Earned the Max Weber Programme Teaching Certificate.

Peer reviewer/referee for *The Historical Journal* (Cambridge), 2014-present.
Michal received his PhD from the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam in September 2014. His main research interests are in international security, nuclear proliferation, and foreign policy analysis. From September 2015, Michal will become Assistant Professor of International Relations in the Department of Public Administration, Erasmus University Rotterdam, where he held a part-time position concurrently with his Max Weber Fellowship.

**Activities during Max Weber Fellowship**

**Books**

**Publications in refereed journals**


**MWP Working Paper**
‘Constructing deviance in international politics’. MWP WP 2015/07.

**Conference Presentations**
‘What can we learn from the Iranian nuclear crisis?’ Invited talk at La Pietra Dialogues, New York University (Campus Florence), March 2015.
‘IBSA, Iran and Global (Nuclear) Governance’. Invited talk at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, DC, December 2014

**Other Academic Activities/Achievements**
Participated in the ‘Europe in the School’ project.
Manuscript reviewer for *International Studies Review, Journal of International Relations and Development, Foreign Policy Analysis, Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek - Vlaanderen*
On the organizing committee of the 7th Annual Max Weber Fellows Conference.
MEHA PRIYADARSHINI (INDIAN/AMERICAN)

Meha received her PhD from Columbia University in New York in May 2014. Her main research and teaching interests include global history, material culture studies, colonial Latin American history, East Asian history and art history. From September 2015, Meha will take-up a two-year postdoctoral fellowship at the Kunsthistorisches Institut, in Florenz-Max-Planck Institut.

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CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

MWP WORKING PAPER

INVITED LECTURE
‘From the Chinese Guan to the Mexican Chocolatero: A Tactile History of the Transpacific Trade,’ Institute for Historical Research, University College London, School of Advanced Study, London, UK, 24 February 2015.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Co-taught with Luca Molà training seminar on Early Modern History.
Thomas Raineau
(French)

Thomas is professeur agrégé d’histoire and he studied for his PhD at the University of Paris-Sorbonne. His main research interests are in modern and contemporary history of Europe and the UK, specializing on the history of British diplomatic and state elites in their relationship with European integration. From September 2015, Thomas will take up a 1-year lectureship in History in an undergraduate college in Paris and he will teach history in English in the European section of lycée George Clemenceau in Villemomble.

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Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals

Chapters in Books

Other Publications

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations


‘Writing a diplomatic history of Britain and Europe: diplomats as ‘Europe’s builders’ by proxy?’, Workshop « ‘Nyt diplomati’ », Saxo Institute, University of Copenhagen, 13 March 2015

‘The plague of politics? Al-Azhar, from reform to marginalization (1880-1930s)’, Conference ‘200 years of dialogue between knowledge and power in Europe. Historicizing the challenges of higher education in the 21st century’, European University Institute, Florence, 10-12 December 2014

Seminar Presentations

Conference ’Parliaments and Parliamentary elections in Europe’, EUI, Florence, 24 March 2015, discussant

FEDERICA ROMEI
(ITALIAN)

Federica received her PhD from the LUISS Guido Carli, Italy, in June 2014. Her main research interests are in Monetary Economics, Fiscal Policy and International Macro. From September 2015, Federica will be Assistant Professor at Stockholm School of Economics.

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MWP WORKING PAPER


CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2014: ‘Midwest Macro Meetings’, Florida International University, Miami, FL; NBER Monetary Economics Programme Meeting, Boston, MA.

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

JULIJA SARDELIC
(SLOVENIAN)

Julija Sardelic holds a PhD in Sociology and focuses on the position of Romani minorities in the context of citizenship and migration. From September 2014, Julija will pursue her book project titled ‘Invisible Edges of Citizenship: Romani Minorities in Europe’ and will remain as a part of Max Weber Programme until March 2016.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

SELECTED REFEREED BOOK CHAPTERS

OTHER NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

MAX WEBER WORKING PAPER
‘Rethinking “Romani Migration”: Divergent Mobilities of Marginalized Minorities in Europe’, MWP 2015.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

TEACHING
Lecturer, MA Studies in Political Science – EU Policy Studies at the James Madison University (Course ‘Justice and Home Affair in the European Union’).

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES
SPS MWF Representative.
Max Weber Teaching Certificate activities, teaching exchange LSE.
Organizer of a workshop with Professor Will Kymlicka, ‘Diversities and Inequalities: Multiculturalism Versus Interculturalism Debate’.
Co-organizer of the JMU-MWP Graduate Symposium (and a member of the committee for the best paper award).
Discussant, ‘Urban Politics, Migration, Diversity’ EUI-MPI Graduate Workshop.
Anonymous peer-reviewer for Ethnicities (Sage), Migration Studies Journal (Oxford University), Diaspora, Indigenous, and Minority Education (Taylor and Francis Group), Social Inclusion (Cogitatio Press), Contemporary Southeastern Europe (CSEEES) and Flemish Research Foundation (Research Projects).
Martijn received his PhD from Stony Brook University in May 2013. His main research interests are in comparative political behaviour and institutions. From September 2015, Martijn will take-up a three-year postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

OTHER PUBLICATIONS
‘Media Systems and Voter Knowledge: an Agent-Based Model’, revise and resubmit.
‘The Information Environment and Participation: When Reading a Newspaper Increases the Probability of Voting’ (with Susan Banducci and Claes de Vreese), under review.
‘Three Approaches to Gauging Media Effects’ (with Susan Banducci, Jason Barabas, Jennifer Jerit, William Pollock and Dan Stevens), under review.
MWP Working Paper
‘Media Systems and Voter Knowledge: An Agent-Based Model’. MWP WP 2015/05.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Awarded a three-year postdoctoral fellowship at the VU (Vrije Universiteit) Amsterdam on the Horizon-2020 funded programme ‘EUENGAGE’.
On the organizing committee of the 9th Annual Max Weber Fellows Conference.
On the organizing committee of a Workshop on Web Scraping With Python (April / May 2015).
Discussant at various conferences / workshops (EPSA, Vienna; Framing Workshop, EUI; JMU-MWP Symposium, EUI; Parliaments and Parliamentary Elections in Europe, EUI).
Florian received his PhD from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in May 2014. He is interested in public opinion research, political psychology, and European politics. Florian will stay at the EUI as a Max Weber Fellow for the academic year 2015/2016.

**ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP:**

**PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS**

‘Contact and Community: The Role of Social Interactions for a Political Identity’, conditionally accepted at *Political Psychology*.

‘Kontakt, Identität und politische Einstellungen’ [Contact, Identity, and Political Attitudes], forthcoming at *Politische Vierteljahresschrift*.


**MWP WORKING PAPER**


**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**


‘Left-Wing but Unwilling to Support Redistribution? The Case of Public Support for Transnational Fiscal Transfers in the EU’ (with Hanna Kleider), Max Weber Fellows Conference 2015.

**OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS**

JEPP Best Paper Award 2015: Together with Theresa Kuhn, Florian received an award for the best article published in the *Journal of European Public Policy* in 2014.

Horizon2020 Project: Florian is part of a group of 18 researchers at 5 European universities who were awarded a 2.5 million Euro Horizon2020 grant for the project ‘EUENGAGE’. The project is led by Maurizio Cotta at the University of Siena and will be carried out between 2015 and 2018.

Research Proposal: The proposal ‘Citizens’ Preferences for Territorial Redistribution in Multi-Tiered Systems: Cost-Benefit Driven or Value-Based?’ (with Hanna Kleider) was submitted to the German Socio Economic Panel.

**TEACHING**

Florian taught the course ‘The Political Institutions of the European Union’ at James Madison University’s campus in Florence in the Fall 2014.
Silvana received her DPhil in political science from the University of Oxford, Nuffield College in 2015. Her main research interests are in comparative political economy and partisan politics, human capital formation and Central and Eastern European politics. Silvana will be a second-year Max Weber Fellow beginning September 2015.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

BOOKS
Book manuscript in preparation: Dependency and Development in Central and Eastern Europe’s New Capitalist Systems.

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS
‘Higher Education in Romania’s Dependent Market Economy’ (with Annette Freyberg-Inan), under review.

MWP WORKING PAPER

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
Council of European Studies ‘Partisanship and Higher Education Spending. Is There a Left-Right Divide?’, Paris, 8-10 July 2015

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
‘Multinational Corporations and Higher Education in Central and Eastern Europe’, graduate seminar presentation, Free University Berlin, 10 February 2015.
‘Partisanship and Higher Education Spending. Is There a Left-Right Divide?’, Inequality and Efficiency in Education and Labour Markets Thematic Group, 10 March 2015, EUI.
‘Mixed methods in action: from triangulation to bridging the quantitative-qualitative divide’, Eastern and Southern European Politics and Society Working Group, 16 April 2015, EUI.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
Garvan received his PhD from the University Manchester, United Kingdom, in September 2014. His main research interests are in political philosophy, focusing on the moral authority of states and political ethics, broadly considered.

**ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP**

**CHAPTERS IN BOOKS**

**OTHER PUBLICATIONS**
'Against Revisionist Just War Theory.' Article under review.
'Can there be a Nightwatchman State?' Article under review at *American Philosophical Quarterly*.

**MWP WORKING PAPER**
'Against Revisionist Just War Theory', MWP 2015.

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**
'Robert Nozick Goes to the Bullingdon Club', MANCEPT Workshops 2015.

**SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**
'David Cameron: Houdini or Rogue Trader', Scuola Sant' Anna, Pisa, 8 July 2015.

**OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS**
Organised presentation on 'European Security' by Baroness Neville Jones of Hutton-Roof, former UK Security Minister and National Security Adviser to David Cameron.

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ANNAKA WOLF
(GERMAN)

Annika was awarded her PhD in law from Humboldt-University of Berlin in April 2014. Her main research interests are in international and comparative insolvency and restructuring law, financial regulation and supervision, (behavioural) law and economics. She is a member of the IINextGen Leadership Programme Class II of the International Insolvency Institute, an academic member of INSOL Europe and INSOL International, and a member of the Alternative Dispute Resolution, New York State Bar Association.

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ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

BOOKS
Promoting an Effective Rescue Culture with Debt-Equity-Swaps? A Comparative Study of Restructuring Public Companies in Germany and England, Schriften zur Restrukturierung, Band 7, Nomos Verlag, 2015

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CONFERENCE ORGANISER
Organising committee, 9th Max Weber Programme Annual June Conference, European University Institute, Florence, 10 – 12 June 2015
Organising committee and academic committee, IINextGen Leadership Programme Annual Conference, International Insolvency Institute, Naples, 14 June 2015

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
‘Europe’s Legislative Trend to More Rescue: Business or Legal Entity’, International Insolvency Institute, Naples, 14 – 16 June 2014.

SELECTED INVITED LECTURES AND FACULTY PRESENTATIONS
‘Corporate Rescue and Forum Shopping’, Faculty Presentation, University of Pennsylvania Law School, Philadelphia, 14 April 2015.
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OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
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‘Institutions, Norms and Accountability: A Corruption Experiment with Northern and Southern Italians.’ (under review)

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