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Foreword

At the start of an academic career one faces many demands. Some are explicit: securing an academic job or preparing the courses that a new academic job may entail; publishing the results of the PhD and work in the years following; presenting these results at international conferences and seminars; meeting the first deadlines, etc. Others are implicit: finding and improving one's style in academic writing; presenting and teaching; developing a personal research agenda; learning within the specialization, while opening up to new ideas and approaches, etc. These demands, signs of a professional transition, often come at times of a personal transition, together defining the post-doctoral years as unique and challenging times.

At the start of an academic career one may also find great opportunities. Some are explicit: a good place and time to work; a positive referee report that may lead to an international publication; an invitation to present one's work at a conference; recognition of teaching well done, etc. Others are implicit: new possibilities to learn from others; finding time to think and improve beyond immediate deadlines; colleagues that may become lasting friends, etc. These opportunities, signs of deserved recognition and, perhaps, luck, often come at times of personal recognition that, while uncertainties are high, there is nothing better than to face the challenges...

The Max Weber Programme is a unique opportunity for post-doctoral Fellows to confront multiple and complex demands, to find new opportunities, to face their uncertainties and challenges. This second year of the Programme testifies to this, and the present 2007-2008 Academic Year Report summarizes the accomplishments of the Programme and, in particular, of the forty Max Weber Fellows.

Villa La Fonte has provided an excellent working environment, and in this second year we have learned more about its Tuscan history.

This multidisciplinary environment has been complemented by an active involvement of the Fellows in their EUI departmental research activities. The immediate results of this research activity can be seen in their articles, books and presentations, listed in this Report. The long-term results will probably be even wider.

Fellows in the job market have been supported in their job-seeking activities and we have had a second very successful year of international academic placements. Those Fellows interested have gained teaching experience, either within the EUI or within the network of universities collaborating with the Max Weber Programme. To the people who have made these collaborations possible I want to extend my gratitude. The list is long but I would like to explicitly thank Nick Byrne and Neil McLean of the London School of Economics for making 'teaching abroad with meaningful feedback' possible.

In this second year, the Academic Practice and Multidisciplinary Research Activities have gained from the first year's experience and are starting to define a new model for post-doctoral programmes in the Social Sciences and Humanities. The monthly Max Weber Lecture series is now an intellectual landmark at the EUI, and the Multidisciplinary Research Workshops have been a source of intellectual debate among Fellows. The merit and thanks for these go to the leading scholars who have delivered these lectures and workshops, or participated in the different MWP conferences in the academic year 2007–2008. The Academic Practice Workshops have benefited from the presence and follow-up of many professionals, most of them part of an informal network called the 'Fiesole Group'. Academic Practice is, to a large extent, a continuous 'learning by doing' process, but learning also involves reflection and critical feedback, both distinct elements of the MWP. I want to thank all the participants for making such a learning process possible and, in particular, for the experience we have all gained. A well-deserved special mention goes to the novel experience of the Academic Practice Groups. It has been within these groups that a collegial active learning has taken place, a valuable experience that I think Fellows will take with them into their future academic careers.
The Max Weber Programme not only provides support to the Max Weber Fellows but also, through the MWP Academic Career Observatory, to everyone interested in obtaining information and a better understanding of the international academic market, in the Social Sciences and Humanities in particular. The MWP Academic Career Observatory is now the most complete web-based resource on the topic and, based on its information, has this year produced its first report, “Towards an Open and Competitive European Area for Research Careers.”

The Max Weber Programme is a project for the development of new forms of post-doctoral research and education. As one of our Fellows acknowledged, the first who should be thanked are the taxpayers of the European Union who, through the vision of the European Commission DG Education and Culture and the support of the EUI, are making such a project possible. But the taxpayers’ contribution would not have social returns without the enthusiastic work of the MWP staff and also of those Fellows in particular who have been very actively involved in the Programme. It is not up to me to assess success; the research and academic experience of the Max Weber Fellows speak for themselves. But it is up to me to thank my collaborators and the 2007–2008 Max Weber Fellows.

Professor Ramon Marimon
Director of the Max Weber Programme
July 2008

The Max Weber Programme Activities 2007-2008

The aim of the Max Weber Programme, which recruits Fellows from all over the world, is to set standards of excellence in research and academic practice and, in doing so, to become a stepping stone in the early development of a fruitful academic career for the Max Weber Fellows. In addition to the activities the Fellows are involved with in their respective departments, Fellows participate in workshops, seminars and activities within the Max Weber Programme all designed to support and strengthen their academic achievements.

The activities of the Max Weber Programme are concentrated around two core themes: Academic Practice and Multidisciplinary Research.

Academic Practice Activities

Based on the experiences gained from the academic practice activities in the first year of the Programme, the academic year 2007-2008 concentrated on four themes: Presentation and Communication; Job Market; Publishing and Writing; Teaching and Assessment.

Presentation and Communication

The academic career path is becoming more and more competitive and it is thus essential that one has a good sense of how to present and communicate in the academic world. The initial ‘September presentations’ of the Fellows’ research agendas not only served the purpose of introducing each Fellow’s work to colleagues, mentors and, more generally, to the EUI community, but also served as an exercise in public presentation. The seminars were videotaped and followed by feedback sessions in which presentation and public speaking performance were assessed by the EUI Language Centre. Another very important way of presenting oneself is on websites, through online bio-sketches and CVs and the MWP offered fellows the opportunity to develop skills for their design through workshops and individual tutorials, skills that are related to a successful search on the job market.

MWP Activities related to Presentation and Communication:

- September Presentations (Max Weber Fellows)
- Web page Development Workshop (Overnet Education, Florence)
- Academic Communication (David Bowskill, Language Centre, Humboldt University Berlin)
Job Market

The Max Weber Programme actively supports Fellows seeking an academic position. First, in addition to the above-mentioned workshops in which Fellows discuss and develop their CV, cover letter, bio-sketch and web page, they also share information and discuss job market strategies in their fields. Second, Fellows received professional feedback on their presentation and interviewing skills. Mock-interviews were filmed and assessed by professionals and gave Fellows the opportunity for further individual self-assessment on interview techniques.

MWP Activities related to the Job Market:

- **Mock Job Interviews** (Friedrich Kratockwil, SPS Department; Hans Micklitz, LAW Department; Martin van Gelderen and Arfon Rees, HEC Department; Salvador Ortigüera, ECO Department).
- **Interview Skills Training and Feedback on the Mock-Interviews** (Susan Goldie and Terry Jones, The Careers Group, University of London).
- **Preparing for Academic Practice** (Graham Gibs, former Director of the Centre for Excellence, University of Oxford).

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 offers a unique resource for doctoral students looking for a job in academia and, in general, to people interested in the international comparison of academic careers.

Job Market Status of Max Weber Fellows (by the end of the academic year):

Of the 40 Fellows 28 were actively on the job market during their fellowship. 25 of these had successfully found positions by the end of their fellowship and three had not yet concluded their job market process. Of the 12 remaining, nine already had position they will return to and three were offered two-year fellowships and will stay with the MWP for another year.

Publishing and Writing

The MWP considers writing and publishing a core element of the Programme. Two sets of activities were carried out to support the Fellows in this area; the workshops organized by the Programme and the writing activities offered by the EUI Language Centre/FIESOLE Group.

MWP Activities related to Publishing and Writing:

- **Publishing Strategies and Refereeing Practice** (Peter Mair, SPS Department, EUI; Martin van Gelderen, HEC Department; Neil Walker, LAW Department; Ramon Mariimon, Economics Department).
- **The Virtues of Proper Academic Writing** (Deirdre McCloskey, Departments of History, Economics, English, and Communication, University of Illinois at Chicago).
- **Converting a Thesis into a Book** (Angus Wrenn, LSE Language Centre).
- **Making a Proposal for the European Research Council** (Ingo Linsenmann, RSCAS, and Tony Molho, Department of History and Civilization, EUI).
- **Working Papers and the Use of Cadmus** (Veerle Deckmyn, Head of Library, EUI).
- **Large Project Management** (Fabrice Larat, University of Mannheim and Ingo Linsenmann, RSCAS, EUI).
Activities carried out by the EUI Language/Fiesole Group:

The consolidation and enhancement of academic communication skills in English were an integral part of the Max Weber Programme. Organised by the English Unit (EUI Language Centre/FIESOLE group), they were designed not only to assist non-native fellows in fine-tuning their English skills but also to support the writing process for all the members of the Programme. In September, members of the English Unit observed the Fellows’ presentations and provided feedback on language use and communicative effectiveness.

The activities during the year were organized into three components: an academic writing course, offered in the First Term, and individual tutorials and disciplinary writers’ groups, the latter two continuing throughout the year. The writing course focused on how resources such as modality, reporting verbs and self-reference are used to express writer stance and identity in academic texts. Complementary to this work was a series of workshops run by Nick Groom (Language Unit, Birmingham, UK) on the use of discipline-specific corpora to support the writing of research articles for targeted journals. Individual tutorials were used by over half the Fellows, not only to discuss pieces of writing for publication and do ‘dry runs’ for presentations but also to get feedback on writing for para-academic purposes, interest in which had been triggered by several of the Academic Practice Workshops. A new initiative this year, the writers’ groups – open to both native and non-native speakers of English – were designed to provide a structured environment in which Fellows could get and provide feedback on their own and others’ writing, contributing in several cases to creating networks among Fellows supportive of disciplinary writing practices.

The EUI Language Unit and the Max Weber Programme also offer the Fellows an extensive corrections service. English Language correction has been offered to all Fellows for their publications and working papers. Several Fellows have also enjoyed use of the correction service for their Power Point slides, CVs and cover letters.

Teaching and Assessment

The Max Weber Programme aims at improving and developing standards of excellence in the teaching skills of the Fellows, obviously taking into account that Fellows arrive with different teaching experience and that teaching methods differ across fields and university systems.

MWP Activities related to Teaching and Assessment:

- Reflecting on and Refining Pedagogic Practice (Bryan Cunningham, Institute of Education, University of London).
- Micro-Teaching (short teaching sessions all filmed and provided to fellows and to Angela O’Neill for feedback)
- Reflections on Teaching Types and Teaching Skills (Coaching on the Basis of Presentations by Angela O’Neill, Collège d’Europe, Bruges).
- Different Cultures of Teaching and Learning (Neil McLean, LSE Language Centre).
- Managing Spaces and Classroom Management (Nick Byrne, LSE Language Centre)
- Managing Large Groups: the Use of Power Point (Neil McLean, LSE Language Centre)
- E-Learning in Support of Lectures and Seminars and Seminar Management Skills (David Bowskill, Humboldt University, Berlin).
- On the Importance of Curriculum Development (Lynn McAlpine, Director of the Centre for Excellence, University of Oxford; McGill University, Canada).
- Creativity and Plagiarism in Academic Writing (Angus Wrenn, LSE).
- Curriculum Presentations (by fellows with EUI Faculty).

Practical Teaching Experience offered to Fellows:

In order to enhance the Max Weber Fellows’ teaching skills different options to gain practical experience at different university levels were offered for those interested.

1) EUI: All Fellows were associated with one of the EUI departments where they were given the opportunity to offer graduate seminars to PhD Researchers. During the academic year 2007-2008
all Fellows gave at least one presentation in either an EUI seminar or working group. Some fellows led colloquia with EUI researchers and organized the Dublin Summer School and the JMU Graduate Symposium, both hosted by the EUI.

2) Local Universities: During the academic year the MWP expanded considerably the network of collaboration with local universities and established links with many of the Florence based American campuses and the Italian Universities offering undergraduate or Master’s level courses. Among these are James Madison University, Gonzaga University, New York University at La Pietra, Syracuse University, FIT/Polimoda and the Istituto di Studi Umanistici.

3) Teaching Abroad: The MWP 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 Max Weber Fellows, Matei Demetrescu, Joanna Wolszczak-Derlacz, Yoko Akachi, Carmen Menchini and Eszter Bartha were in London from the 12th to the 16th of May. The exchange was set up by the Max Weber Programme and the LSE Teaching and Learning Centre. The Fellows all 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.

“This was a very useful experience; the visit was a very good complement to other workshops on teaching skills I participated in during my fellowship at the EUI.” Matei Demetrescu, Max Weber Fellow.

“The basic model allows for training followed by live practice and reflection. My impression of both the training in presentation giving and seminar teaching was that it was helpful and offered an opportunity that would not otherwise have existed. I would also say that the five Fellows involved were positive and a real pleasure to work with.” Neil McLean, LSE Language Centre.

Academic Practice Groups

The discipline bound academic practice groups were a new initiative in the second year of the Max Weber Programme. The Practice Groups were intended to complement the Practice Workshops and served as follow-up or preparatory sessions for the existing workshops. Additional topics and themes were discussed in the groups. The Practice Groups allowed for more discussions and in-depth exchange of ideas and experiences within the disciplines. The groups all produced short reports summarizing their meetings. At the end of the year the experiences of the Academic Practice Groups were summarized positively as a means to exchange ideas and academic experiences. The groups helped establish very close working ties and personal ties among the Fellows.

ECO Fellows Practice Group

The Economics group was coordinated by Anna Lo Prete and held meetings once every month. The ECO group produced short reports on each meeting that were all uploaded to the MWP Intranet (Moodle Platform). During the meetings the following topics were discussed:

- Publishing in Economics Journals
- Job Market process and Fellows’ experiences
- Refereeing practices
- Teaching practices and Fellows’ experiences
- MWP Academic Careers Observatory
- 21st Century scholarly communication in Economics
- 10 articles with a high standard of academic writing and impact

“"The LSE practice made me realize that teaching is fun and that you can get better with some useful tricks and with experience you can only gain by being active. Most of all, I am thankful that this practice gave me more confidence in public speaking and teaching.” Yoko Akachi, Max Weber Fellow.”

Yoko Akachi, Max Weber Fellow

Max Weber Fellows and LSE Language Centre in London

Anna Lo Prete, Max Weber Fellow & ECO Academic Practice Group coordinator
HEC Fellows Practice Group

The History group was coordinated by Heather Jones. The organization of the different meetings was carried out by various fellows. The group produced short reports of each meeting. The group exchanged in particular different national experiences on how to navigate in the academic world as a historian, covering the following topics in their meetings:

- Conference organization
- Publishing articles and monographs
- Electronic teaching resources for historians
- Funding sources
- Microhistory with Carlo Ginzburg
- Teaching skills
- The Max Weber Working Paper
- Evaluating students
- End of year MWP evaluation preparation

LAW Fellows Practice Group

The Law group was coordinated by Anicée Van Engeland and Francesco Maiani. It took a little extra effort for the lawyers to find common ground on which to base their meetings, partly because of their different professional and national backgrounds. This also turned out to be one of the strengths of the group and the Law Fellows stressed that special attention was given, throughout the group’s meetings, to the international dimension and comparison of teaching models, requirements and experiences. The topics discussed included:

- Course Development
- Class Management
- The use of Power Point in the classroom and other venues
- How to deliver effective presentations
- Measuring the impact of publications
- Publications strategies and research

SPS Fellows Practice Group

The SPS group was coordinated by Stephanie Mudge. The group worked well and each enjoyed learning from each other, exchanging alternative experiences and academic practices, peer feedback and peer review. In addition the group saw their practice meetings as a good incentive for establishing teamwork and group collaboration. These were the topics discussed:

- Job market Strategy
- Publishing Strategies
- Teaching
- Funding Resources and Grant Applications
- PhD Experiences
- Refereeing and Reviewing
- Social Science as a Vocation

Self Organized Job Talks

Several Fellows have been actively searching for a position to follow their fellowship with the EUI. When needed Fellows have given practice ‘job talks’ to their fellow colleagues to get feedback on presentation, style and content. The support for this was high and Fellows have been impressively supportive towards each other. The feedback and exchange among and between Fellows from the different disciplines has been noteworthy.
**Career Support for EUI Researchers**

The Max Weber Fellows have a good knowledge of the status of the academic job market. They have shared this knowledge not only with the MWP Academic Careers Observatory but also with PhD researchers at the EUI. On June 6th, the Fellows organized, with the EUI Academic Service, a “Career Strategy Session for End-Stage Researchers at the EUI”. Short presentations were given by Francesco Maiani (LAW), Brigitte Le Normand (HEC) and Jan-Hinrik Meyer-Sahling (SPS) on “How researchers should use their last 12 to 18 months at the EUI to prepare for the academic job market.” The feedback on the session from researchers was positive.

**Multidisciplinary Research Activities**

Other than the academic practice activities, a second set of activities was organised that was designed to improve the Max Weber Fellows’ understanding of the four disciplines, to enhance interdisciplinarity and to create a greater understanding of research and research careers in the Social Sciences in Europe and the United States.

**Max Weber Lectures**

The monthly Max Weber Lectures were delivered by distinguished scholars representing the four disciplines of the Programme (Economics, History, Law and Political and Social Sciences). The Programme aimed to invite scholars with a special interdisciplinary focus that would be of broad academic interest to all members of the academic community both within and beyond the EUI. The lectures were always at 17.00 and were followed by a cocktail at Villa La Fonte open to all present. All lectures are published in the Max Weber Lecture Series and are available as pdf files from the EUI publications database CADMUS.

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**Max Weber Lectures 2007-2008**

- **Dieter Grimm** (Humboldt University, Berlin), “Broadcasting Regulation between National Constitutional and European Community Law”, 5 March 2008
- **Adam Przeworski** (New York University) “From Representative Institutions to Democracy”, 19 March 2008
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- Fernando Gómez-Pomar (University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona) and Nuna Garupa (University of Illinois), “The Economic Approach to European Consumer Protection Law”, 21 November 2007
- Deirdre McCloskey (University of Illinois, Chicago) “The Bankruptcy of Statistical Fit as a Measure of Importance”, 18 December 2007
- Andrea Ichino (University of Bologna) and Ramon Marimon (Department of Economics, EUI), “On Economics as a Social Science”, 9 January 2007
- Mark Bevir (University of Berkeley, California), “Do the Human Sciences need a Philosophical Upgrade?”, 5 March 2008
- Theo Farrell, (King’s College London), “Norms, narratives, and NATO military transformation”, 7 May 2008

Multidisciplinary Research Workshops

The Multidisciplinary Research Workshops were based on input from an invited outside speaker, Fellow or EUI faculty member. They were organized by the MWP following up on suggestions from Fellows and other recommendations. The aim was to enhance multidisciplinary understanding between the disciplines of the Programme. The MWP understood multidisciplinarity as a process of learning across disciplines, nations and cultures while keeping respect for the conventions of the other disciplines. These sessions, usually two hours long, were open to the EUI community.
Max Weber Conferences

In 2007-2008 the Max Weber Programme sponsored three major conferences:

1) Academic Careers in the Social Sciences and Humanities – National Comparisons and Opportunities (30 November 2007)

The higher education system is undergoing changes in most European countries. This is not least due to the Bologna Process, which aims to create a homogeneous higher education landscape in Europe. However, even though many governments have introduced reforms to make the academic workplace more attractive and counter the brain drain from the continent to the Anglo-Saxon countries, academic careers still vary greatly between countries.

Navigating the different national academic systems and the plethora of available funding and grant systems is not an easy task. More easily accessible knowledge on the various academic structures and career prospects is in high demand, not the least due to the increasing mobility of scholars. To meet this need, the second MWP-ACO conference explored the academic career options of young PhD holders, focusing mainly on the disciplines of Economics, History, Law, and Political and Social Sciences.

Keynote speakers included: Frances Meegan (Careers Advisor, LSE Career Service), Jose-Gines Mora (Director, Centre for the Study of Higher Education Management (CEGES), Valencia University of Technology), Kamma Langberg (Danish Centre for Research Analysis, University of Aarhus, Denmark), Daniel Denecke (Council of Graduate Schools, Washington), Frédéric Sawicki (Director, Lille Centre for Politics and Administration), Daniele Checchi (Dean of the School of Political Sciences, Department of Economics, University of Milan), Lisa M. Lynch (William L. Clayton Professor of International Economic Affairs, The Fletcher School, Tufts University, Fernand Braudel Senior Fellow, EUI, and Chair of the European Economic Association Committee on the Status of Women in the Economic Profession), Tony Molho, Department of History and Civilization, EUI, Chris Armbruster (Founder and Executive Director, Research Network 1989), Alain Peyraube (Scientific Director of the Ile-de-France region at the CNRS, Paris. Member of the ERC, Scientific Council).

2) David Hume on Norms and Institutions (17 April 2008)

David Hume (Edinburgh, 1711–1776) was someone we would now call a trans-disciplinary scholar, opening up his inquiries to what later became distinct – and often too distinct - academic disciplines. The aim of the conference was to bring together leading international scholars, not so much to assess Hume’s contributions, but rather to explain and discuss how some of his different insights have persisted, and still pose open questions in current research in Economics, Law, History, and Political and Social Sciences. The conference briefly reviewed David Hume’s inquiry into the development and functioning of civil society, and it concentrated on the role of Norms and Institutions as a recurrent theme from the Scottish Enlightenment to 21st century research in the Social Sciences and Humanities.

Keynote speakers included: Russell Hardin (New York University), James Harris (University of St. Andrews), Susan James (Birkbeck University), Neil McArthur (University of Manitoba), Nicholas Phillipson (University of Edinburgh), Margaret Schabas (University of British Columbia).

The June Conference was organized by Max Weber Fellows from all four disciplines. The conference brought together leading scholars from diverse disciplines to explore both historical and contemporary evocations of the different dimensions of inequality. A multidisciplinary examination deepened the understanding of the phenomena and positively informed explorations of policy measures to fulfil the aspiration towards a just world order.

Across time and geographical context, inequality of income, status (gender, race, culture, religion) and capability have been seen through the different institutional arrangements governing human interaction. In an era of globalization, market mechanisms are generating new structures of inequality both between and within countries and regions. Historians, political scientists, economists and legal theorists are all grappling with the issue of understanding, defining and evaluating the formation of inequality and equality. Grappling with this issue has acquired pressing urgency given the tensions experienced in forging social, economic, political and cultural interaction in a pluralistic world.

Keynote speakers included: Homi K. Bhabha (Harvard University), Giuseppe Bertola (University of Turin), Mathias Thoenig (University of Geneva), Andrea Cornia (University of Florence), Leandro Prados de la Escosura (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid), Ann Shola Orloff (Northwestern University, Chicago), Margarita Estevez-Abe (Harvard University), Yasemin Soysal (University of Essex), Patrick Weil (Université Paris I), Jay Winter (Yale University), Luc Wintgens (Université Bruxelles), Otto Pfeffermann (Université Paris I Pantheon Sorbonne), Gianluigi Palombella (Parma University), Heather Perry (University of North Carolina), Pierre Purseigle (Birmingham University), Andreas Bieler (University of Nottingham), Don Kalb (Central European University, Budapest), Tamás Krausz (Eötvös Lorand University, Budapest).

Co-organised Conferences

Studying Religion and Politics (17-18 March 2008) - the Max Weber Programme and the Political and Social Sciences Department, EUI

The workshop was organized by two Max Weber Fellows and Researchers and Professors in the SPS Department. The theme of the workshop was the return of religion to the public sphere posing important scientific and methodological challenges of how to study these phenomena. The aim of the workshop was to discuss and map different ways of doing research on questions regarding the relation between religion and politics. One question that the workshop engaged with was whether or not the study of the interaction between religion and politics poses any unique methodological challenges to researchers.

Integration without EU membership in Europe: models, experiences, perspectives (23-24 May 2008) - the Max Weber Programme and the Law Department, EUI

The workshop was organized by three Max Weber Law Fellows (Francesco Maiani, Ekaterina Mouliarova and Roman Petrov) in cooperation with the Law Department and the Max Weber Programme. The workshop provided an excellent opportunity to develop a better understanding of existing patterns of integration of third countries with the EU. The speakers - diplomats, judges, professors and researchers from Europe and beyond - focused on issues of a legal, political and historical nature, such as the limits of EU enlargement, successes and failures of
selected EU external initiatives towards third countries, new developments in future EU external policies, etc. With respect to the concepts and models of integration without membership the participants of the workshops endeavoured to clarify exactly what “integration with the EU” for the third country/countries implies and what are its aims. It was agreed that the “integration concept without membership” is not well defined and agreed among policy makers and academics. In particular, it is important to specify the political and legal means employed for the “integration concept without membership”. The discussion during the workshop focused on the membership issue in the EU political agenda and the best experiences of the existing EU contractual frameworks that could be applied in the future.

Graduate Symposium on the Future of European Union Policies in Theory and Practice (26-27 June 2008) - the Max Weber Programme, the Law Department, EUI and James Madison University

The Max Weber Programme at the EUI and James Madison University’s Master’s in European Union Policy Studies held the first graduate symposium on European policies. The two institutions issued a call for papers, initiated by the Max Weber Law Fellows Arthur Dyevre and Anicée van Engeland, and was addressed to doctoral researchers and Fellows from all departments at the EUI, and to graduate students enrolled in the Master’s in European Policy Studies at James Madison University. Janine Kisba Silga, a first year EUI student, was awarded the prize for the best paper of the graduate symposium.

The aim of the symposium was to discuss the various policies adopted by the European Union, appreciate the effectiveness of these policies, analyze their impact in the field, evaluate whether or not these policies respond to citizens’ needs and understand the European Union as a system of governance. The graduate symposium pursued two goals: to promote the presentation and the critical discussion of current EU policies and to focus discussion on the instruments of evaluation of these policies.

Max Weber Fellows Working Group: State Socialism and Beyond

The working group was organized by Brigitte le Normand and Eszter Bartha. The purpose of the group was for members to meet on a regular basis and present their research to an interested and informed audience. The group discussed new approaches to the study of social, cultural and political change in the region of Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

The group met eleven times over the year and ended the year with a one day symposium “Legitimation and State Parties in Socialist Europe” on 29 May, 2008 organized in collaboration with the Department of History and Civilization, EUI. Max Weber Fellows from all four disciplines and Fellows from the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies actively participated in and presented papers to the working group.
Established in March 2007, the Academic Careers Observatory (ACO) of the Max Weber Programme is now in its second 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 young researchers.

The ACO monitors disciplines that the EUI and the MWP also incorporate: Economics, History, Law and Political and Social Sciences. Using the resources available within the EUI and the MWP, the Observatory builds up information for a wider internet public. At the same time, the ACO interacts with its users by allowing them to post comments on the content of its website. As this report of activity shows, in the year 2007-2008 the ACO has both reinforced and expanded the way in which it interprets and performs monitoring.

**Information on academic systems and specific disciplines**

The backbone of the ACO project is to provide information on national academic structures and job and research opportunities made available by universities and research institutions. On the Observatory’s website users can check information on national higher education systems and barriers to access by non-nationals, career requirements, the type and number of positions available in each system, salaries and discipline-specific information. Web addresses are provided so that researchers can check the list of national universities, total positions, job databases and even specific programmes that, in each state, offer postdoctoral and other research opportunities. To get certain types of information, especially on positions and salaries, the ACO sometimes directly contacts the competent national authorities. Four sections of the ACO website provide this information from different perspectives: 1) country reports related to EU and other countries which are viewed as important receivers of international researchers; 2) files on the career patterns and resources related to each of the four disciplines; 3) comparative analyses on specific issues (salaries, gender and age); 4) a list of job and funding resources.

**Career tips and academic practice**

ACO “career tips” have been online since early 2008. To develop these, the ACO turns the information provided by experts in academic practice, who train MWP Fellows, into focused and valuable advice. Tips include questions such as applying for a postdoctoral position, turning a PhD into a book and what to do (and not to do) before and during a job interview. The Observatory also relies on the experience of EUI faculty for participation in, for example, panels selecting projects for the 7th EU Framework Programme to guide researchers in drafting research proposals for the Programme.

**Discussion forums**

The discussion forums aim to foster networking among researchers worldwide and give them the opportunity to debate questions related to academic careers, job opportunities, salaries and many other issues that are also of concern to the Observatory. The structure of the forums mirrors that of the Observatory’s website sections, giving participants the opportunity to put questions and receive comments on a wide range of issues.
Europe and research

In May 2008 a new section was added to the website which helps users navigate the EU system and funding related to research. Through this, the ACO intersects the European Commission’s policy to support researchers’ work and mobility within an open and competitive European Research Area, capable of attracting first-class academics from all over the world. Although the EU contribution to the Social Sciences and Humanities is still relatively limited, there is evidence – which the ACO very much welcomes – of increasing attention being paid to, and availability of funding for, these disciplines, and we deem this crucial for the construction and functioning of a knowledge economy.

Reporting on academic careers

The logic that guides reporting by the ACO is to put the information collected by the Observatory into a more analytical perspective, useful for understanding facts, changes and developments in the academic sphere. In early June 2008, the ACO released the report “Towards an Open and Competitive European Area for Research Careers”. The report defines different trends and models of national academic structures, and discusses issues such as salary and women’s representation in academe. It also discusses the increasing relevance of postdoctoral researchers in the Social Sciences and Humanities, and the development of research potential as a preliminary step to finding a way into an academic position. This and other texts produced by the ACO can be downloaded from the “ACO documents” section of the Observatory’s website.

MWP-ACO conferences

Conferences provide both an important source of information for the ACO and a unique opportunity to test its own information and vision on issues related to academic careers. At the same time, they offer experts and Fellows the chance to discuss viewpoints and opportunities concerning the development of academic careers. So far, the ACO has organised two conferences. The first start-up conference on “Research and Higher Education in Europe: Opportunities and Challenges for Young Academics” was organised in May 2007. In November 2007, a second conference concentrated on “Academic Careers in the Social Sciences and the Humanities: National Comparisons and Opportunities”. The next conference will take place in November 2008 and will focus on “University Autonomy and the Globalization of Academic Careers”. The themes, programmes, contributions and reports related to each conference can be found on the ACO website under the “ACO conferences” section.

Conclusions: the challenges ahead

Although the Observatory has achieved a great deal, more remains to be done in the light of the broad changes that national academic systems are going through, and eventually their place within the EU framework. At the same time, further attention needs to be paid to the specific features of these systems and the increasing skills required by the academic profession. Numbers show that we are reaching more people: in May 2008 the ACO website exceeded 12,500 monthly hits, by far the highest number since March 2007 when the Observatory went online. We are happy with this, and take it as a stimulus to keep monitoring academic careers and support the future generations of scholars and professors. Please visit the Max Weber Programme – Academic Careers Observatory website:

http://www.eui.eu/MaxWeberProgramme/AcademicCareers
Max Weber Programme Intranet - Moodle

During the first year of running the Max Weber Programme it became evident that it would be useful to have an online communication tool to exchange documents and build up a common platform with all the knowledge and expertise that is gathered and discussed within the Programme. To fulfill this need the MWP established a Moodle platform accessible to Fellows, staff and workshop facilitators. The platform is used for the exchange of internal documents such as Power Point slides from presentations, reports from Academic Practice Group meetings and in general for the exchange of information and documents of relevance to the Max Weber Fellows. The platform was also used as a communication tool for online discussion among the Fellows and the facilitators on the Programme activities and for more informal, social use. The Moodle platform has been functioning since January 2008.

Villa la Fonte and the Cultural and Social Life of MWP

Villa La Fonte, the most recent addition to the EUI’s deservedly well-known buildings, is the home of the Max Weber Programme. In the fifteenth-century the Villa, also known as Villa Bel Riposo, was the proud possession and summer dwelling of the Bruni family. One of the most famous Florentine citizens, the humanist, orator and Chancellor of the Florentine Republic, Leonardo Bruni (1369-1444) lived here. Leonardo Bruni’s grandson sold the Villa for a thousand ‘fiorini’ to Francesco di Nerone in 1460. Nerone later saw his house and grounds confiscated by the Medici. As in the case of so many Tuscan villas, this one was later acquired by wealthy Americans, the Smyths, owners of the Vermont railway, who lived in the Villa until after World War II. Twice a day the local electrician, still alive today, brought blocks of ice here on hot days. Mark Twain was a guest of the Smyths and read from his work in the garden theatre.

Beautiful surroundings like this ask for a vivid cultural and social life and the cohort of Max Weber Fellows 2007-2008 made this happen. Every Wednesday collective lunch for all Max Weber Fellows and Staff was served in the Saletta, an event that came out of a Moodle mensa survey to enhance use of the mensa. Table tennis tournaments, the formation of the Mad Max football team which took part in the annual EUI calcetto competition Coppa Pavone, the EUI choir, Cinema Villa La Fonte and Tuesday lunchtime debates were just a few of the many social activities that took place around the Villa. A social committee organised outings to the Chianti and memorable cultural visits in and around Florence. These visits took place under the expert guidance of Dr. Dominique Fuchs, curator of the Stibbert Museum, and included visits to the Vasari Corridor, Palazzo Pitti, Palazzo Davanzati, the Bargello, San Marco and the Uffizi. The Fellows were also hosted at I Tatti, former home of Bernard Berenson and now housing the Harvard University Centre for Italian Renaissance Studies, by its Director Prof. Joe Connors, and at La Pietra, former home of Sir Harold Acton, and now housing New York University in Florence, by its Director Ellyn Toscano.
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“It is difficult to imagine a working environment more beautiful than Villa La Fonte.”
Stephanie Mudge, Max Weber Fellow.
Max Weber Fellows 2007-2008

Villa La Fonte is the home of the Max Weber Fellows. Each Fellow has an office, either private or shared, at the Villa. To enhance the unique multidisciplinarity of the Programme shared offices are allocated among Fellows from different disciplines. The forty 2007-2008 Max Weber Fellows were selected from a pool of 446 applicants. The Fellows (19 women and 21 men) represent twenty-three different nationalities and cover a wide range of research interest in Economics (9), Law (10), History (10) and Political and Social Sciences (11).

Fellows Announcement

During the year three babies were born to Max Weber Fellows:

Emma Esther Dyevre (daughter of Arthur Dyevre and Delphine Dyevre) was born on 26 December 2007.

Anna Petrov (daughter of Roman Petrov and Tatiana Petrov) was born on 3 March 2008.

Daniel Antonio Catignani (son of Sergio Catignani and Sabina Catignani) was born on 16 May 2008.
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Yoko received her doctoral degree in Population and International Health in the Economics track from Harvard University, School of Public Health, in 2007. Subsequently, she became a post-doc at the Max Weber Programme and a research fellow at the UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre (IRC), which enabled her to shift between academia and policy. Yoko’s interest is in childhood health and nutrition, poverty reduction, sustainable development, and pharmaceutical policies. Following the Fellowship, she has taken the position of Technical Officer at the World Health Organization, Health Metrics Network Unit.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals
Yoko Akachi and David Canning, 2008: “Inference from Adult Heights in Developing Countries - Biological Standard of Living,” in Submission.

Other Publications

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations
“Childhood health, nutrition, and adult height in developing countries” Bocconi University, Dondena Research Centre, 30th April 2008.
“Average Adult Height in the Modern Population of the Developing Countries: What are the determinants and what can we infer?” European University Institute, Department of Economics, 9th November 2007.

Teaching
Teaching practice at the London School of Economics, 11-15 May, 2008.

Other Academic Activities
Research at Harvard Initiative for Global Health (preparation for grant application).
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Umut received her PhD in Political Science from University of Washington in 2007. Umut’s research interests are on European integration, comparative federalism, globalization and its effects on national policies. After her Fellowship, Umut has moved on to a position as an Assistant Professor of Political Science at the Department of Political Science and International Relations at Boğaziçi University in Istanbul.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations


Seminar Presentation

Teaching
Co-taught PhD Seminar on “Democracy and Federalism in the EU” with Professor Alex Trechsel and Dr. Joerg Balsiger, winter term, SPS Department, January-March 2008.

Taught session for Master’s students on “EU-US Cooperation on Competition Policy” Dublin Summer School, EUI, May 2008.

Other Academic Activities
Member of the Organizing Committee, Max Weber Programme Conference on Globalization and Inequalities: reflections on the development of a divided world, June 11-13, EUI, Florence.
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EUI Mentor: Michael Keating and Alexander Trechsel

Jörg received his PhD in Environmental Science, Policy and Management from the University of California, Berkeley, in 2007. Jörg also received a Master’s in International Relations from Georgetown University and worked for many years as an international development consultant in North America, Europe, Africa and Asia. Jörg’s research interests are are found between international relations and organizational sociology, with a special focus on environmental politics. His recent work has examined transboundary sustainable development governance in mountain regions. Jörg has moved to a position as Senior Researcher at the Institute for Environmental Decisions at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Zürich.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations


Seminar Presentations

“Re-scaling: Space and Place in Mountain Regions,” SPS Fellows Seminar, European University Institute, 12 December 2007.


Teaching
Co-instructor (with Alexander Trechsel and Umut Aydin), PhD Seminar “Federalism and Democracy in the European Union,” European University Institute, 2008

Aniko Eszter Bartha (HUNGARY)

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EUI Mentor: Arfon Rees

Eszter received her PhD in History from the Central European University of Budapest in 2007. Before joining the Max Weber Programme she has been at the University of Cambridge, the University of Bielefeld and Eötvös Loránd University of Budapest. Eszter’s research interest is on comparative history, the social history of Eastern Europe in the 20th century, labour history and post-socialism. After her Fellowship, Eszter has moved on to a position as Assistant Professor of History at Eötvös Loránd University of Budapest.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals


Other Publications


MWP Working Papers


Conference Presentations


Teaching

Teaching practice at the London School of Economics, 11-15 May, 2008.

Other Academic Activities

Co-organization (with Brigitte Le Normand) of Interdisciplinary Workshop State Socialism and Beyond organized on a two-week regular basis in the academic year of 2007-2008, with the support of the Max Weber Programme, EUI, Florence.
Mariano Barbato (GERMANY)
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EUI Mentor: Christine Chwaszcz / Friedrich Kratochwil

Mariano received his Dr. Phil. in Political Science, History and Philosophy from the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München in 2005. Before coming to the Max Weber Programme he was at the DFG-Graduiertenkolleg Anthropologische Grundlagen und Entwicklungen im Christentum und Islam of the University of Bamberg. Mariano’s research interest is on international relations, religion, globalization, European integration and political philosophy.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book

Publication in Refereed Journal
Mariano Barbato/Friedrich Kratochwil, under review: “Religion in the Global Public Sphere: Habermas’ post-secular society in International Relations perspective,” together with Friedrich Kratochwil, European Political Science Review.

Other Publications

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations

Teaching
Lecture on “Widening and Deepening: Path dependency or turning points in European history?” Dublin Summer School, EUI, Florence, May 2008.

Other Academic Activities
Marc Berenson (USA)

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Marc received his PhD in Political Science from Princeton University in 2006 with a dissertation entitled “Re-Creating the State: Governance and Power in Poland and Russia.” His work focuses on public policy in Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, with particular attention to the comparative analysis of post-communist governing institutions, tax compliance and social welfare issues in Poland, Russia and Ukraine. After his fellowship, Marc returns to his position as a Research Fellow at the Institute of Development Studies at the University of Sussex in Brighton, UK.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals


Other Publications


MWP Working Paper

Conference and Seminar Presentations
“Creating Citizens, Subjects or Slackers? Post-Orange Opportunities to Overcome the Opting Out of One’s Obligations to the Ukrainian State,” APSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, Sept. 2007.

“Creating Citizens, Subjects or Slackers? Post-Orange Opportunities to Overcome the Opting Out of One’s Obligations to the Ukrainian State,” at State Building and Market Making, EUI, 6-7 June 2008.


“Creating Citizens, Subjects or Slackers? Trust and Taxes in Poland, Russia and Ukraine (Social Compliance),” Department of Social and Political Sciences Fellows Seminar, EUI, 5 March 2008.

Teaching
“The Post-Communist State in Russia and Transition Countries,” for the Governance, Politics and Development Seminar, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, UK, 5 Nov. 2007

Other Academic Achievements
Economic and Social Research Council’s First Grants Scheme award (July 2008) to fund 2008-11 research project, “Re-Creating the State: Governance, Civil Society and Trust in Poland, Russia and Ukraine.”
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EUI Mentor: Massimo Motta

Lars received his PhD in Economics from the Humboldt University of Berlin in 2007. His main field of research is on the evolution of market clearing mechanisms during the Middle Ages and Early Modern period in Europe. In addition, he works on the question of how partnerships and first firm designs were created by European businessmen during the same period of investigation. From September 2008, he is Junior Professor for Economic History at the Department of Economics, at the Free University of Berlin.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals
Lars Boerner and Oliver Volckart, forthcoming: “darumb das alsdann die Bequemikeit eynen einigenn Muntz sich manigfaltig rezeigenn moch…” *Spätmittelalterliche Währungunionen und ihre Folgen, Bankhistorisches Archiv*.

MWP Working Papers

Conference Presentation

Seminar Presentations
European University Institute, Microeconomics Research Workshop, November 2007.
University of Utrecht, Economic and Social History Seminar, December 2007.
Helen Callaghan (GERMANY)

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EUI Mentor: Laszlo Bruszt

Helen received her PhD in Political Science from Northwestern University in Chicago in 2006. Her research interests are in the area of comparative political economy with a focus on Western Europe. Her current work concerns the politics of corporate governance, recent manifestations of economic patriotism and the clash between stakeholder and shareholder models of capitalism in the European Union. After her Fellowship, Helen will take up a research position at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies in Cologne.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publication in Refereed Journal

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations

“Employer Preferences when One Company Law does not Fit all. Anglo-German Wrangles under the UNICE Umbrella,” Workshop at the London School of Economics, May 19-20, 2008.


Seminar Presentations
Invited talk at a graduate student seminar at Waseda University Tokyo, October 24, 2008.
Invited talk at the Research Colloquium of the MZES Mannheim, March 10, 2008.
Presentation in the EUI Interdisciplinary working group on Multilevel Governance, April 25, 2008.

Teaching
Masters level course on “EU Institutions and Policy-Making” at James Madison University Florence (together with Anne Rasmussen), September-December 2007.
Session on “European Integration and the Clash of Capitalisms” at the UC Dublin Summer School hosted by the EUI in May 2008.
Session on “Polit-oekonomische Konflikte im Europaeischen Mehrebenensystem” at the MEGA Summer School hosted by the EUI in June 2008.
Chair and discussant at the CEU/LSE/Sciences Po/EUI graduate student retreat, December 12-13, 2007.
Chair and discussant at the JMU/EUI Graduate Symposium, June 26-27, 2008.
Academic coordination of the UC Dublin Summer School hosted by the EUI, May 19-June 7, 2008, (together with Anne Rasmussen).
Sergio Catignani (ITALY/BRAZIL)
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Sergio received under the supervision of Professor Sir Lawrence Freedman his D.Phil in War Studies from King’s College London in 2006 after having received an MA (Hons) in Political Studies and an MLitt (Research) in International Relations from the University of Aberdeen. Before coming to the EUI he was Lecturer in War Studies at King’s College London. Sergio’s research interests are in international security and strategic studies, Middle East Security and military history. Sergio has moved on to take a position as Assistant Professor of International Security at the Department of Political Science, University of Leiden.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book

Other Publications

MWP Working Paper

Conference and Seminar Presentations


Teaching


Other Academic Achievements

Matei Demetrescu (ROMANIA)
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Before coming to Florence, Matei received his PhD in Economics (econometrics) from the Goethe-University Frankfurt in 2005. While his research interests lie mainly with the development of econometric methods, Matei tries to apply them (meaningfully). His work covers time series analysis, especially long-memory and unit root processes, nonstationary panels, asymmetric loss functions, nonlinear models – with applications to financial data. Currently, Matei is a junior professor for applied econometrics at the Goethe-University Frankfurt.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals


Other Publications


MWP Working Paper
Matei Demetrescu, 2008: ”Fractional Integration and Cointegration Testing using the Sample Mean.” *MWP Working Papers*, European University Institute, Florence.

Conference & Seminar Presentations


Teaching
Teaching practice at the London School of Economics, 11-15 May, 2008.
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EUI Mentor: Wojciech Sadurski

Arthur received his PhD in Public Law from the University of Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne with a dissertation on judicial activism in France, Germany, and the United States. Straddling the disciplines of law and political science, his research interests lie in comparative judicial politics, comparative constitutional law, and European integration. On finishing his year in Florence as MWP fellow, Arthur will join the Center for Constitutional and Political Studies (CEPC) in Madrid, taking a three-year research position.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publication

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentation

Seminar Presentations

Teaching
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Valentina received her PhD degree from Bocconi University in 2004. Before starting her Fellowship, Valentina was affiliated with the Centre for Contemporary History of the Czech Academic of Sciences, the University of Wisconsin at Madison, USA and the Graduate School of Economics in Kyoto, Japan. She specializes in economic and business history, with an emphasis on the history of Centra and East-Central Europe.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book
Valentina Fava, forthcoming 2009: L’attivita della Fiat in Unione Sovietica, Quaderni dell’Archivio Storico Fiat, Venezia, Marsilio.

Publication in Refereed Journal

Other Publications

MWP Working Paper

Conference and Seminar Presentations


“The Czechoslovak way towards mass production”, workshop State, Socialism and Beyond, MW working Group, EUI, March 13th, 2008.


Teaching
Undergraduate teaching (36 hours) “Social and Economic development of Italy”, Faculty of sociology, Gonzaga University in Florence.

Other Academic Activities

Sakis received his PhD from the University of Essex, UK, in 2004. Before coming to the Max Weber Programme he was Teaching and Research Fellow at the Economic History Department, LSE. Sakis’s research explores how issues of ethnicity, religion and class shaped power relations in Mediterranean port cities during the nineteenth century. After his Fellowship, Sakis has moved on to the University of Manchester, teaching History of Globalization and Mediterranean History.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals
Athanasios (Sakis) Gekas, 2007: "Public Health in Crete under the rule of Mehmed Ali in the 1830s", *Egypt/Monde Arab* 4, 3: 35-54.

Athanasios (Sakis) Gekas, forthcoming: "Merchants into businessmen. The emergence of a business culture in the Ionian Islands under British rule", *Business History*.

Other Publications

A. Gekas, forthcoming: "Compradors to Cosmopolitans? The historiographical fortunes of Merchants in Eastern Mediterranean Ports," in M. Fuhrmann, V. Kechriotis (eds.), *The Late Ottoman Port Cities and Their Inhabitants: Subjectivity, Urbanity, and Conflicting Orders*.


MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentation

Teaching
EUI, HEC Department Seminar, 'World History'.

Other Academic Activities

Katja Maria Haustein (GERMANY)

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Katja Haustein received her doctorate from Cambridge University in 2007. She specializes in twentieth-century French and German literature, with a broad interest in the relations between autobiography, visual culture, and the emotions. She has published articles on Proust and Barthes and co-edited a book on conceptions of space in French studies. She is currently working on a book on vision and affect in the autobiographical works of Proust, Benjamin and Barthes. Having completed the Max Weber Programme, Katja is a Junior Research Fellow at Churchill College, Cambridge, and a Postdoctoral Fellow of the British Academy.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book

Publication in Refereed Journal

Book Chapter

MWP Working Paper

Seminar Presentation

Teaching
Together with Martin van Gelderen, Anastasia Stouraiti and Freya Sierhuis: Readers, Spectators, Audiences: From Early Modern Venice to the Weimar Republic, Departmental Seminar, Spring Term 2008, Department of History and Civilization, EUI.

Other Academic Activities
Thomas Hintermaier (AUSTRIA)

Thomas received his PhD in Economics from the European University Institute (EUI) in 2003. Before coming to the Max Weber Programme he was at the Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS) in Vienna. Thomas's research interest is in macroeconomics and financial economics. After his Fellowship, Thomas is planning to move on to the Economics Department of the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, as a visiting researcher.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publication in Refereed Journal

MWP Working Paper

Seminar Presentations
Thomas Hintermaier and Winfried Koeniger: "Financial Market Imperfections and Durable Consumption", October 12, 2007, Economics Department, EUI.

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Hannes Hofmeister completed his undergraduate studies in Law at the Universities of Cambridge and Regensburg, where he was a National Merit Foundation Scholar (Studienstiftung). After successfully completing a master's degree in international politics at the University of Cambridge, he returned to Regensburg to pursue his PhD. After his Fellowship, Hannes has moved on to a position as Lecturer at the University of Regensburg.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals
Hannes Hofmeister, 2007: “When is it right to attack so called 'host states'? An analysis of the necessary nexus between terrorists and their host states,” Singapore Yearbook of International Law (11) 2007, 36-55.

MWP Working Paper
Hannes Hofmeister, 2008: “To strike or not to strike – Assessing the legality of a potential strike against Iran’s nuclear facilities,” MWP Working Paper, European University Institute, Florence.

Conference Presentation
Der Lisabonner Vertrag aus deutscher Perspektive, Deutsch-Polnisches Symposium Universität Regensburg, 24-26.05.08.

Seminar Presentations
Seminar, Law Faculty: The EU’s external economic law: market integration from an external perspective - Energy and aviation: extending the Community acquis beyond the EU: the Energy Community Treaty and the European Common Aviation Area.

Teaching
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Giammario completed his Ph.D studies in Economics at the New School University, New York, in May 2006. Through the Inter-University Doctoral Consortium (IUDC) he did a substantial part of his coursework and dissertation at the New York University Economics Department, where he has also been a full-time instructor since fall 2002. Prior to his PhD studies Giammario gained a BA and doctorate in Political Economy at the University of Rome “La Sapienza”, and an MA in economics from Coripe at the University of Turin. Giammario specializes in the fields of Macroeconomics of the Labor Market, Economic, and International Trade. Following his fellowship Giammario will be assistant professor at Economics and Institutional Change division of IMT Lucca.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publication in Refereed Journal

MWP Working Papers


Conference Presentation

Seminar Presentations
EUI Economics Department Macro workshop.
FEDEA Madrid lunch seminar series.

Teaching
“Trade, technology and growth” with Omar Licandro, Department of Economics, EUI, Winter 2008.
“Advanced Growth Theory” with Omar Licandro, Department of Economics, EUI, Spring 2008.
Heather Suzanne Jones (IRELAND)
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EUI Mentor: Heinz-Gerhard Haupt

Heather gained her PhD from Trinity College, Dublin in 2006. Before coming to the EUI, she held a one-year IRCHSS lectureship in Modern European History at Trinity. Her main research interest is the history of the First World War and she is a member of the Comité Directeur of the Historial de la Grande Guerre at Péronne. Heather has moved on to a post as Lecturer in International History at the LSE.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book & Book Chapters


Publications in Refereed Journals


MWP Working Paper

Conference and Seminar Presentations


Other Academic Achievements
Awarded the Eda Sagarra Medal (2007) by the Irish Government’s Research Council, the IRCHSS for excellence in PhD studies in the Humanities and Social Sciences.

Ming-Sung Kuo (TAIWAN)
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Ming-Sung Kuo studied law in Taiwan and the United States, receiving his doctorate from Yale Law School. His main areas of academic interest are legal theory, constitutional theory, comparative constitutional law, global administrative law, and legal reforms in a post-authoritarian society.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations

Rinku Lamba (INDIA)

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EUI Mentor: Rainer Bauböck

Rinku Lamba obtained a doctorate in Political Science from the University of Toronto (degree awarded in March 2008). She is a political theorist with a research agenda that aims to promote productive dialogue between postcolonial theorists and liberal-democratic theorists in the context of contemporary debates about the political accommodation of claims advanced by non-hegemonic minorities, particularly with regard to the issue of chastening the disciplinary power of institutions such as the state. Following her fellowship year at the EUI, Rinku will take up a Visiting Associate Fellowship at the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), Delhi.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

MWP Working Paper

Other Publications

Conference Presentations

“The Debate on Socio-religious Reform in late Nineteenth Century India,” presented in the Social and Political Theory Workshop at the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, Delhi; theme of the workshop was “Theorizing the Contemporary,” March 2008.

“Religious Minorities, the Postcolonial State and the Politics of Non-Domination,” at the 2008 Annual Conference of the Consortium on Democratic Constitutionalism at the University of Victoria, Canada. The theme of the conference was “Recognition and Self-Determination,” March 2008.

Seminar Presentations

Brigitte Le Normand (CANADA)
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EUI Mentor: Philipp Ther

Brigitte Le Normand received her Ph.D in History from UCLA in 2007. Brigitte’s research interest is in the history of Yugoslavia after the Second World War, which she seeks to incorporate into its European and global context. She is particularly interested in urban history, migration history and the history of subjectivity. After her fellowship, Brigitte has accepted a position as Assistant Professor in the History department at Indiana University Southeast, in New Albany, Indiana, USA.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publication in Refereed Journal

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations


Seminar Presentations


“What space can tell us about socialist states: the case of Belgrade,” guest lecture, seminar on Socialism in Eastern Europe, Professor E.A. Rees, Department of History, European University Institute, Fiesole, October 12, 2007.

Teaching

Co-instructor, Ethnic Cleansing in Modern Europe: History and Memory (Ph.D. level), Department of History, EUI, spring 2008.

Other Academic Activities
Founder and Organizer, Working Group on “State-Socialism and Beyond,” 2007-2008 (11 presentations and one day-long symposium with invited guests on the theme of “State Parties and Legitimation in Socialist Europe.”)
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Anna received her PhD in Economics from the University of Turin in 2007. Her fields of interests include international macroeconomics, labour economics and consumption risk-sharing. Anna’s primary research aims to investigate how structural features of labour and credit markets may affect risk-sharing on financial markets, and to assess their empirical relevance in cross-country panel datasets. In 2008 she was awarded a two-year research fellowship at the University of Turin, Italy.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

MWP Working Paper

Seminar Presentations
Paris School of Economics, 22 February 2008.
Macroeconomics Research Workshop, organized by the Economics Department, European University Institute, Florence, 15 February 2008.

Teaching
University of Turin, 2006-2008: “Economia Politica a distanza,” online course on Introductory Economics (set-up on Moodle, software e-learning platform).

Other Academic Activities
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During his undergraduate studies, Marco was attracted by financial econometrics, which became the subject of his thesis. With the idea of consolidating the statistical foundations of econometrics, he enrolled in a PhD programme in Applied Statistics, which gave him the opportunity to focus his research on computationally-intensive estimation procedures. In particular, Marco has worked extensively with indirect inference and Bayesian MCMC samplers. Following his dissertation, he started a number of collaborations with macroeconomists, and currently his research is concentrated on Bayesian estimation of DSGE models, including identification and prior elicitation issues. Marco has an assistant professorship at the University of Pisa, but upon completion of the Max Weber Programme he will spend a sabbatical period at the European Central Bank.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals


MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentation

Seminar Presentations

“Particle filtering: an introductory lecture,” European University Institute, 19 October 2007.

Teaching
Bayesian econometrics (Department of Economics, EUI and University of Pisa)
Spectral analysis and principles of filtering (Department of Economics, EUI)
Time series analysis (University of Pisa)
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Francesco received his PhD in Law from the Universities of Lausanne and Milano Statale in 2006. Before coming to the Max Weber Programme he taught EU Law at the University of Lausanne. Francesco’s research interest is on the influence of EU Law on non-EU member countries and on international regimes, as well as on International and European refugee law. After his Fellowship, Francesco has moved on to a position as Assistant Professor of European Institutions and Globalization at the Swiss Graduate School of Public Administration (IDHEAP).

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

MWP Working Paper


Conference Presentations


Seminar Presentations


Teaching

- “Free Movement of Persons” (with Professor Astrid Epiney), LL.M. Course, University of Lausanne, Feb.-May 2008.

Other Academic Activities & Achievements

- Coordinator of the LAW Academic Practice Group, Max Weber programme, European University Institute.
- PhD thesis honoured with the “Professor Walter Hug Preis.”
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Paolo received his Phd in Economics from the London School of Economics in 2007. He studies the determinants of long run cultural diversity and their implications for economic and social outcomes. Paolo has been awarded a two-year fellowship with the Max Weber Programme and will thus stay at the EUI until September 2009.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publication in Refereed Journal

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentation

Seminar Presentations

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Carmen obtained her PhD in History of European Society from the University of Naples “Federico II” in 2004. Before her Fellowship at the EUI she was annual post-doc fellow at the University of Pisa; Gulbenkian Fellow in Lisbon (2006), Audrey Lumsdeman-Kouvel Fellow at the Newberry Library in Chicago (2005), and Mosse-Fellow at the UWisconsin-Madison (2004). Her first research areas have been of political communication through funeral orations and biographies in the sixteenth century Italy. She studied the case of Cosimo I de’ Medici. Her PhD dissertation investigates the Portuguese succession 1578-1581, from the point of view of the Italian courts. She is currently working on cultural and political links between Italy and Portugal in the 16th and 17th century, and on the use and manipulation of information in early modern Tuscany.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publication in Refereed Journal

Edited Book

MWP Working Papers


Selected Other Publications


Conference and Seminar Presentations
“Political communication and propaganda in Early Modern Europe: the Medici family as a case study”, London LSE, May 2008.


Immagine del principe e oratoria funebre: il caso dei Medici (1574-1621) paper at the International Conference Forme e occasioni dell’encomio tra Cinque e Seicento, Pisa, organized by Scuola Normale Superiore (Pisa) and Université de Paris III Sorbonne Nouvelle, Nov. 2007.

Teaching
Jan-Hinrik Meyer-Sahling has been a Lecturer in European Politics at the University of Nottingham since September 2004. Previously, he was Tutorial Fellow in Comparative Public Administration and Public Policy at the London School of Economics and Political Science and Lecturer in European Politics at Birkbeck College, London. Jan-Hinrik studied Political Science and Economics at the University of Hamburg and took both his MSc in European Politics and Policy and his PhD at the LSE. Jan-Hinrik’s main research interest lies in the transformation of the state in Central and Eastern Europe, in particular, the reform of the civil service in the new member states of the European Union.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals

MWP Working Paper

Other Publications

Conference Presentations

Teaching
Dublin Summer School, Session on EU Enlargement and Administrative Reform in East Central Europe, June 2008.
PhD Colloquium, SPS Department, EUI, April 2008.

Jan Meyer-Sahling continued to supervise three PhD students in Nottingham during his Fellowship.
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Ekaterina completed her PhD in Law at the University of Regensburg in 2006. Before obtaining a two-year Max Weber Fellowship she has worked as a junior lecturer at the University of Regensburg and at the Moscow State University’s academic program on German law. Ekaterina’s research interest is focused on globalisation and the integration process in Europe, comparative analysis of the East- and West-European integration, relations between the European Union and the Russian Federation, as well as on the neighbourhood politics of the European Union and the influence of the democratisation process and adaptation of general constitutional standards and norms in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book
Ekaterina Mouliarova, 2008: Integration und Wandel des Souveränitätsbegriffs in der russischen Doktrin, LIT-Verlag, Reihe: Juristische Schriftenreihe.

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentation
“Integration through transfer of values The impact of European Values on the Russian Legal Order,” Workshop Integration without EU Membership in Europe, European University Institute, Florence, 23-24 May 2008.

Seminar Presentation

Other Academic Activities
Stephanie Lee Mudge received her PhD in Sociology from the University of California-Berkeley in 2007. Stephanie is a political and economic sociologist whose research currently focuses on neo-liberalism and the politics of the left in Western Europe and the United States. More broadly she is interested in political economy, intellectual and economic history, the sociology of expert professions, political parties, social welfare, education, and classical and contemporary social theory. In October 2008 Stephanie will join the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies in Köln, Germany.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book
Stephanie Lee Mudge, forthcoming: Neoliberal Politics.

Publication in Referred Journal

Other Publications

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentation

Seminar Presentations
“Neo-liberalism: Why did the left turn right?” (with Sven Steinmo, Helen Callaghan, Claes Belfrage), SPS-MWP Seminar presentation, European University Institute, 10 October 2007.

“Neo-liberalism and the New Class: Towards a Comparison of Experts in Politics in Eastern and Western Europe.” Presentation for the State Socialism and Beyond working group, EUI, 3 April 2008.

Teaching
“Neo-liberalism and its Discontents”, Graduate workshop, with Sven Steinmo (EUI) and John L. Campbell (Dartmouth University), EUI, 23-24 May, 2008.

Other Academic Activities
Referee for West European Politics.
Organizer of the MWP SPS Academic Practice Group.
Organizer of the MWP’s ‘Lunchtime Debate’ series on topics of current political interest, EUI.
Dr. María Belén Olmos Giupponi is an Assistant Professor of International Law and European Union Law at University Carlos III in Madrid (UC3M). She is the author of two books, “Human Rights and Regional Integration in Latin America and the Caribbean” (2006) and “New Perspectives on Democratic Principles in America” (2007). She has also published fifteen articles in peer-reviewed journals. Her research focuses on International Relations and Human rights. She participates in the Centre of Studies of Iberoamerica in the Universidad Rey Juan Carlos in Madrid, where she develops a co-ordination role in international programs. Belén has a two-year fellowship and will stay with the MWP until September 2009.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Books

Other Publications

MWP Working Paper

Conference and Seminar Presentations
“Relations between the EU and Central America: A New Era?” Conference organized by the University San Carlos of Guatemala within the framework of the EU project to strengthen Central American integration, Guatemala City, 18-22 February 2008.

Teaching
“International Relations and International Law” (10 hours) Master’s degree in International Relations and Communication, University Complutense of Madrid, Spain, December 2007.

Other Academic Activities
Belen has been collaborating with the FAO as a volunteer in a research project on forest fires.
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Roman obtained his first PhD at the National Academy of Science of the Ukraine in 2000 and his second PhD in Law from Queen Mary, University of London in 2005. Before his two-year Max Weber Fellowship Roman was teaching EU Law at Donets National University in Ukraine where he also intends to return after September 2008. His research interests are focused on studying the legal means of export of the EU acquis to legal systems of third countries and legal aspects of the European Neighbourhood Policy.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals


MWP Working Papers


Other Publications


Conference Presentations
“Constitutional reforms in Ukraine”, at Improving the Quality of Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe through EU, organised by the EUI Department of Law and Istituto Italiano di Scienze Umane, 30 November - 1 December, 2007.

“Future EU-Ukraine enhanced agreement: view from Ukraine” at the 5th Wider Europe Conference, org. by University of Leiden and Sussex European Institute, Brussels, 12-13 March 2008.

“The new enhanced EU-Ukraine agreement versus the EU-Ukraine Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: transitional path or final destination?”, at Integration without EU membership in Europe, organized by the MWP and the Department of Law, EUI, 23-24 May 2008.

Seminar Presentations
“Future of the EU-Russia relations”, at EUI RELEX Working Group meeting, 18 April 2008.

“Regional Integration in the Post-Soviet Area”, at MWP Socialism Research Group, 12 May, 2008.

Other Academic Achievements
Roman Petrov was elected as President of the Ukrainian European Studies Association in 2007.
Anne Rasmussen (DENMARK)
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EUI Mentor: Adrienne Heritier

Anne Rasmussen received her PhD in Political Science in 2006 from the University of Copenhagen. Before obtaining a two-year Max Weber Fellowship she was a Visiting Scholar at George Washington University and a Centennial Fellow at the American Political Science Association in Washington, D.C. Her current research analyzes intra- and inter-institutional relations in the European Union. She also examines how the European Union affects interest group behavior, national parties and national administration in the United Kingdom, the Netherlands and Denmark. After her Fellowship, Anne has moved on to a position as Assistant Professor at the department of Public Administration, Leiden University.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications in Refereed Journals

Other Selected Publications
Anne Rasmussen, 2008: Special issue of the Journal of European Public Policy (vol. 15, no. 8).
Five columns for the Danish newspaper Berlingske Tidende (Member of a team of five experts who write the weekly column “Politics on a Monday”).

MWP Working Paper

Selected Conference and Seminar Presentations
American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008: Panel convener and presentation.
Co-director of Workshop on Intra- and Interinstitutional Relations in EU Decision-making, ECPR joint sessions, Rennes, 2008.
ECPR General Conference Pisa, September 2007: Chair of panel and two paper presentations.
Co-organizer of two-week summer school in the field of European integration for Masters Students from University College Dublin, EUI, San Domenico di Fiesole, May-June 2008.

Teaching
Political Institutions and Policymaking in the EU, Post grad course, JMU, with H. Callaghan.

Other Academic Activities
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Giesela gained her PhD in Law from the University of Hamburg in 2003. Before joining the Max Weber Programme she was a senior research fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and Private International Law in Hamburg and a Joseph Story Fellow at the Harvard Law School. Giesela’s research focuses on German and European contract law, German and European private international law as well as comparative law and economic analysis of law. After her Fellowship Giesela has moved on to a position as a senior research fellow at the Humboldt-University in Berlin sponsored by the German National Science Foundation.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book

Publication in Refereed Journal

Other Publications (selected)


MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations


Seminar Presentations (selected)

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Rubén received his PhD in Social Sciences from Juan March Institute in 2005. Before coming to the Max Weber Programme he was at the Universidad Complutense. Rubén’s research interest is on comparative politics and in particular political institutions like electoral systems as well as ethnic politics. After his Fellowship, Rubén has moved on to a Juan de la Cierva Fellowship position at the Institute of Public Goods and Policies (IPP) of the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC). He will be at that institution for the next three years working on a manuscript on electoral systems.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publication in Refereed Journal

Other Publications

MWP Working Papers


Conference Presentation

Seminar Presentation
“Satisfaction with democracy in post-communist multiethnic countries. The effect of political institutions,” Seminar SPS Department, EUI March 5th 2008.
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EUI Mentor: Giulia Calvi / Antonella Romano

Antonio received his PhD in History and Civilisations at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (Paris) in December 2003. Before coming to the Max Weber Programme he taught Early Modern History of Europe at the University of Nice (France). Antonio’s research interests are on social and institutional history with a particular focus on border studies and, more recently on environmental history. After his Fellowship, Antonio will move on to a position as Ricercatore at the Departement of Archeology, Anthropology and Geography at the University of Turin.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book

Other Publications


MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentation

Teaching
“History and Social Sciences. The perspective of microprocesses” (with Giulia Calvi and Antonella Romano), PhD Seminar in the Department of History and Civilization, EUI, fall term 2007.
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EUI Mentor: Anthony Molho

Anastasia received her PhD in History from the University of Athens in 2003. Before coming to the European University Institute, she was a postdoctoral fellow at Princeton University. Anastasia is a cultural historian, specialising in the history of the Republic of Venice and its empire. Her research and teaching interests include the early modern Mediterranean, the history of the book and reading and early modern visual culture. After her Max Weber Fellowship, Anastasia has taken up a position as Lecturer in Early Modern History in the Department of History at Goldsmiths, University of London.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Publications

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations

Seminar Presentations
“Visualising Empire”, presented in Arfon Rees’ and Martin van Gelderen’s PhD seminar Literature, History and Culture, Department of History and Civilization, EUI, 29 October 2007.

Teaching
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EUI Mentor: Pierre-Marie Dupuy

Before becoming a Max Weber fellow Anicée Van Engeland-Nourai (LL.M Harvard Law School; MA Iranian Studies Paris III Sorbonne; MA Int. Relations Paris II Assas; PhD Islamic World, Institut d’Etudes Politiques de Paris) worked for several non governmental and international organizations. During her time at the EUI, she focused on the relations between Islam, human rights and humanitarian law. Following her year at the EUI, Anicée has taken up the Boulton Fellowship at McGill University where she will teach on human rights and Islamic law.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book & Book Chapters
Anicée Van Engeland and Rachael Rudolph, 2008: From Violence to Politics, Ashgate.
Anicée Van Engeland, 2008, “Muslim women and the quest for freedom: Acting from bottom to the top of the society” in Anthology of Women’s Citizenship, ed. Linda McClain, CUP.

Publication in Refereed Journal

Other Publications

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations

Teaching

Other Academic Activities
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EUI Mentor: Bartolomé Yun Casalilla

Mikhail received his PhD in the History of Russian Literature from the Russian State University for Humanities in 2004 and from the Università degli Studi di Milano in 2005. Mikhail’s research interest is on Russian and Western European 19th century history, civil society, the public sphere, history of nationalism, and the sociology of Russian literary criticism. After his Fellowship, Mikhail has moved on to a position as Associate Professor of History of Russian literature at the Russian State University for Humanities.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book
Mikhail Velizhev, Elena Smiljanskaja, Irina Smiljanskaja, forthcoming: Russians at the Mediterranean during the Russo-Turkish War (1768-1774). Novoe izdatel’stvo, Moscow.

Publication in Refereed Journal

Other Publications

MWP Working Paper

Conference Presentations
“La nascita della critica letteraria russa (18-19 sec.): giudizio letterario e pregiudizio sociale“, conferenza Giudizi e pregiudizi, Universita’ degli Studi di Firenze, EUI, June 2008.

Seminar Presentations
“Russian Historiography under the Reign of Nicolas I and the problem of areas of sociability in Russia,” in the workshop State Socialism and beyond, MWP, EUI, 22 May 2008.
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EUI Mentor: Morten O. Ravn

Joanna received her PhD in Economics from the Gdansk University of Technology in 2006. Part of her doctoral research was conducted at Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium and at Glasgow University. Joanna’s research interest is on economic and monetary union. After her Fellowship, Joanna has moved on to a position as Assistant Professor at the Gdansk University of Technology, Poland.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Books and Book Chapters

Joanna Wolszczak-Derlacz, 2007: “Convergence or Divergence in the EU? – This is a question,” in: Selected International Problems (ed. Gawrycka M), Gdansk University of Technology.


Publications in Refereed Journals


MWP Working Papers


Other Publications

Rembert De Brender and Joanna Wolszczak-Derlacz, 2008: “The price convergence in the EU and New Member States”, Mimeo.

Seminar Presentations
”Do New EU Members Have any Chance of Earning as much as Westerners Do?” Presented at the Working Group State Socialism and Beyond at the EUI, January 2008.


Teaching

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Wojciech received his PhD in Law at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow in 2005 and his PhD in philosophy at the Pontifical Academy of Theology in Krakow in 2007. Before coming to the Max Weber Programme he was at the Department of Legal Philosophy of the Jagiellonian University. Wojciech’s research interest is focused on legal, political and moral philosophy. After his Fellowship, Wojciech has returned to the Department of Legal Philosophy of the Jagiellonian University where he holds a position of adjunct lecturer.

Activities during Max Weber Fellowship

Book
Wojciech Zaluski, forthcoming: Skłonnościowa interpretacja prawdopodobieństwa (Propensity Interpretation of Probability), Biblos-OBI, Krakow-Tarnow; On Some Legal-Philosophical Problems from the Perspective of Evolutionary Theory.

Other Publications

MWP Working Papers


Conference Presentation

Seminar Presentations

“The Psychology of Socialism”, MWP Workshop State Socialism and Beyond, EUI.

Other Academic Activities
Organization of conference on “David Hume on Norms and Rationality” MWP, European University Institute, April 2008.
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The Max Weber Fellows put on a brave fight as the Mad Max Team in the annual football tournament of the EUI, the Coppa Pavone, June 2008.

Chianti wine tasting tour, November 2007.

Fellows hike on Monte Ceceri, Fiesole, October 2007.

Thomas Hintermaier demonstrating his non-academic skills to fellow fellows on the terrace of Villa la Fonte, January 2008.

MWP visit to the Vasari Corridor, December 2007.