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This report covers the first year of the Max Weber Programme since moving to its new home in Villa Paola. As the report shows, it also coincided with yet another high number of applications to the Programme, and the largest intake of new Fellows so far. As we had anticipated, the move to Villa Paola has been positive in having the MWP team and most of the Fellows in one place with its own facilities. That has facilitated interchange among the Fellows themselves and between them and the team. Having a dedicated seminar room as well as priority in the use of the Emeroteca for events involving all the Fellows has also been a huge boon to the Programme, while we remain close to the Library and the Badia’s facilities. Unfortunately, there is insufficient space for us to accommodate all Fellows, with the RSC and second year ECO Fellows located with their departments and second year SPS and some other Fellows in the tower corridor of the Badia. However, our proximity to the Badia and the RSC, along with the fact that second year Fellows get fully integrated with other Fellows in the first year and actively seek to retain close contact with the MWP thereafter, have all meant that this dispersal has not been too problematic. The past academic year was once again rich in intellectual creativity and activity among Fellows, and a real privilege to be a part of.

During 2016-17 we conducted a major self-assessment of the Programme and I am grateful to all the Fellows – especially the departmental representatives – for the support they gave us in compiling the relevant data and contributing valuable ideas for improvement. A particular thank you is owed to Tine Gade who, as the Academic Council (AC) representative of the postdoctoral Fellows and the Fellows’ representative on the Steering Committee (SC), helped considerably in involving other Fellows in the self-assessment process and in putting forward their views at meetings with the Research Council as well as the AC and SC. Three important changes have been or will soon be introduced as a result. First, we have arranged for Fellows to have the same reduction as researchers for meals at the EUI. Already, this has led more Fellows to use these facilities regularly, aiding intellectual community building among them and with the EUI as a whole which is such a core aspect of the Programme. Second, as of next year we shall be introducing a maternity leave policy – part of our on-going efforts to make the MWP more family friendly and to promote gender equality. We see this as a key part of our ethos in supporting early career researchers. Third, we have decided to experiment with increasing the second year stipend for ECO Fellows who do teaching and mentoring within the department. Again, we see this as a way whereby Fellows can play an important role as junior faculty within the EUI, offering an important resource to departments and researchers while gaining experience and enhanced mentoring themselves. We also had a long deliberation over whether to extend the Fellowship to two years for all Fellows. Here, the conclusion was that there are really two reasonable views. On the one hand, Fellows by and large do as well on the job market after one year as after two, so that keeping the Fellowship to one year increases access to this resource to more people. On the other hand, one year is highly stressful for those
Fellows on the job market; it means that they have little time to put into practice many elements of the training we offer until after they leave, or to do any additional research beyond writing up with our support work they had already done before coming to the EUI. Both points of view are important, but so long as the budget of the MWP remains fixed at its current level there is no alternative to choosing between them. So for the present LAW and HEC have chosen to adopt the first perspective, while ECO and to a degree SPS and RSC feel it more appropriate to take the second.

As ever, I am extremely grateful for the work done by all the members of the Max Weber Team – they truly are the Max Weber Programme, as all Fellows soon appreciate. The self-assessment was a major exercise and without their willingness to go beyond the call of duty would not have been concluded so fully, efficiently and successfully as it was. So once again a big thank you to all my colleagues. A special mention goes to Fiona Wong, the latest of a number of trainees who have played such a crucial role in the Programme. It is always a pleasure to see these talented, young recruits develop their skills during their time with us – something from which we also greatly benefit. We were sad to see her go, but happy that it was not so far, as she has moved more or less next door to the new School of Transnational Governance.

Richard Bellamy
Director, Max Weber Programme
1. APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2016-2017 MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIPS

By October 2015, the Max Weber Programme had received 1,122 applications from 95 countries for the 2016-17 intake. The highest number of applications came from Europe (606), followed by North America (218) and Asia (203), while the number of applicants from South and Central America (45), Africa (26) and Oceania (24) were considerably lower. Compared to the previous cohort there were slightly fewer applications from Europe, while those from North America, Asia, Africa and Oceania increased.

As in the past, the department of Political and Social Sciences (SPS) received the highest percentage of applications at 40%, followed by History and Civilization (HEC) at 27%, Economics and Law both at 13%, and finally the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSC) at 7%.
By a small margin, a majority of the applicants were men (57%). The applications showing the greatest gender imbalance were to Economics, where men account for 68% of the applicants, while a majority of applications, 53%, to the RSC came from women.

The applicants indicated their preference for a Thematic Research Group (TRG) where – in the event of being selected – they would find an interdisciplinary forum to present their ongoing research. In 2015 there was a choice of six themes: Legal, Political and Social Theory: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives; Citizenship and Migration; Europe in the World: International Relations, International Security, World Politics; Inequality and Efficiency in Education and Labour Markets (IEELM); Diversity and Unity: Federalism and Subsidiarity in Economic, Legal, Political, Social and Historical Perspective; Tommaso Padoa-Schioppa: the Design and Governance of Monetary and Fiscal Policies and Financial Regulation in the European Union.

Applicants whose research did not fit any of the available themes were able to opt out (335), followed in order by Legal, Political and Social Theory (221), Citizenship and Migration (178), Europe in the World (164), IEELM (100), Diversity and Unity (77), and the group named after Tommaso Padoa-Schioppa (47).
Each TRG was chosen by applicants from the full range of disciplines offered by the departments and the RSC, fitting their purpose of mapping the opportunity for interdisciplinary research within the Max Weber Programme.

Figure 5. Distribution of applicants by Research Theme and Department, October 2015

2. MAX WEBER FELLOWS: THE 2016-2017 COHORT

Of the 1,122 applications, the success rate of the 2015 round was 4%. The 2016-2017 cohort of Max Weber Fellows was made up of 58 Fellows: 43 newly awarded, 14 in their second year of the Fellowship, and one, an exceptional case, in his third year.

Figure 6. Max Weber Fellows, 2016-2017

SPS received the largest number of Fellowships, (17) as the department that had received the highest number of applications.
Twenty applicants withdrew after being offered a Fellowship and before registration in September. They either were offered tenure track positions or fellowships elsewhere for a longer period.

Economics was most affected by withdrawals in 2016-17, followed by Law and the RSC. SPS, instead, after a spike last year has seen a reduced number of withdrawals this year.
The average age of Max Weber Fellows in 2016-17 was 31.5 years, more than half of the cohort were women (52%).

With 29 countries worldwide represented, the 2016-17 Fellows confirm the global character of the Programme. Italy, Germany and Greece lead the ranking of nationalities in this cohort.
Equally global and diverse is the list of institutions to award PhDs to the 2016-2017 cohort, spreading from Europe to North America and China. British institutions lead the ranking (17 Fellows) followed by the US (13) and France (7).

**Table 1:**
Max Weber Fellows by institutional provenance and country of institution, 2016-2017

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3. MAX WEBER FELLOWS AND THE JOB MARKET

The 2016-17 cohort had a 93% success rate on the job market: 40 Fellows went to new jobs by September 2017 (38 academic jobs, 2 non-academic), 13 started their second year in the Fellowship and four still were on the job market. Among those moving to new jobs, fifteen returned to the country where they had been awarded their PhD, while twenty-five moved to a different country, demonstrating that enhancing the mobility of young academics, one of the aims of the Programme, was achieved.

![Distribution of Max Weber Fellows on the job market, 2016-2017](image)
The activities of the Max Weber Programme are concentrated around two core themes: Academic Practice and Multidisciplinary Research. Over the years of the Programme, the objectives of the activities have become more structured and focused. An important lesson has been that the practice skills are best learned when working with individuals, and thus a strong focus on tutorials and individual feedback based on different needs is now a central part of the Programme. The research activities, on the other hand, demand a multidisciplinary focus and a strong level of participation from as many Fellows as possible to reach their aim of enhancing and fostering multidisciplinary understanding.

1. ACADEMIC PRACTICE ACTIVITIES

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

JOB MARKET MODULE

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

An increasingly vital part of the job market is self presentation on the internet. To assist the Fellows in presenting themselves and their research in a professional manner, the MWP offers all Fellows the opportunity to construct their own website in cooperation with the EUI Web Support. Fellows can access the EUI personal webpages platform that offers a user-friendly space to upload their publications, their research agendas and their teaching experience, enhancing their visibility on the web (https://www.eui.eu/ServicesAndAdmin/PersonalWebpages).Max Weber Fellows can take their personal websites to their new academic institutions when their Fellowship comes to an end.

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

The 2016-2017 MWP activities on the job market were:

- September presentations, filmed and followed up with individual feedback sessions by the EUI Academic Communications Skills Staff (English Unit)
- Early bird job market sessions for those applying in the US (with Laurie Anderson, MWP)
- Departmental presentations by Fellows in seminars
- Job market session with ACO and the MWP Team
- Advancing a personal Academic File with a draft Research Grant Proposal and a new course syllabus outline
- Mock interviews by EUI Faculty and Fellows, with direct feedback from EUI Faculty
- Engagement with Academic Careers Observatory activities
- Job talks by the Fellows, with feedback from MWP peers and EUI Faculty
- Fellows’ June Conference: organization and ongoing research presentations

The Max Weber Programme proves to be very successful in the placement of its Fellows in an increasingly competitive academic job market: of the 2016-2017 Max Weber Fellows all but four Fellows moved on to an academic position following their Max Weber Fellowship.

PUBLISHING AND WRITING MODULE

The MWP considers writing and publishing a core element of academic advancement. Two sets of activities are carried out to support the Fellows in this
area; the workshops organised by the Programme and the writing activities offered by the EUI Academic Communications Skills staff (English Unit)/FIESOLE Group. The activities are designed not only to assist non-native Fellows in fine-tuning their English language skills but also to support the writing process for all members of the Programme and for them to excel in English academic writing. The activities are organised into three components: i) an academic writing course, offered in the First Term, ii) individual tutorials and iii) disciplinary writers’ groups, the latter two continuing throughout the year. The EUI Language Unit and the Max Weber Programme also offer all Fellows an extensive language revision service for their publications and working papers. Fellows can also use the revision service for their Power Point slides, CVs and cover letters.

The 2016-2017 activities on publishing and writing were:

- Workshop, 'Research and Grant application: how to write a research proposal' (with UCL Faculty)
- Workshop, 'Inside the journal editing process: A roundtable with journal editors' (with MWP Director Richard Bellamy and EUI Faculty)
- Workshop 'Writing a book proposal, general session and individual tutorials' (with Richard Fisher, former director CUP, and Sarah Caro, Princeton UP)
- Research Grant Proposal (with written feedback from EUI Faculty)
- MWP Working Paper, to be published in Cadmus (with written feedback from EUI mentor)
- Taught module, 'Draft to Submission'
- Writers’ Groups, both by discipline and interdisciplinary
- Individual tutorials on written work: research proposal, working paper, book proposal, course syllabus, job talks, PowerPoint presentations, etc.

TEACHING MODULE

The Max Weber Programme aims to improve and develop standards of excellence in Fellows’ teaching skills. The module is designed to enhance Fellows’ ability to respond flexibly and professionally to the teaching and learning needs of today’s increasingly diverse higher education scene. Completion of the Max Weber Teaching Module gives Fellows the Max Weber Teaching Certificate, a valuable addition to Fellows’ academic profile, worth three points in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

Fellows who elect to do the Certificate take part in an innovative programme, culminating in teaching practice weeks at top European universities: Humboldt, Masaryk University, Natolin College of Europe, Pompeu Fabra, Trinity College Dublin, and the University of Florence. Hands-on workshops designed to foster a reflective, transnational approach to the teaching/learning process lead up to this teaching experience abroad.

In order to obtain a Max Weber Programme Teaching Certificate, a Fellow must have successfully completed the prescribed academic practice activities organized by the MWP.

The 2016-2017 MWP activities on Teaching were:

- Preparatory meetings for the Humboldt, UPF and LSE Teaching Exchanges (David Bowskill from Humboldt University in Berlin, Mireia Trenchs from UPF Barcelona, and Alison Standring from the LSE, London)
• Workshop ‘Introduction to Teaching Portfolio’ with Lynn McAlpine (Oxford)
• Workshop, ‘Curriculum and Course Development’ with Lynn McAlpine (Oxford)
• Workshop, ‘Learning outcomes and strategies’ with Lynn McAlpine (Oxford)
• Workshop, ‘Developing reflective practice: Approaches to classroom observation’ with Laurie Anderson (MWP)
• Workshop and individual feedback on the micro-teaching sessions with Lynn McAlpine (University of Oxford)
• Workshop, ‘Teaching at University from a cross-cultural perspective’ with Mireia Trenchs (UPF), followed by tutorials for UPF teaching exchange Fellows
• Workshop, ‘Examining supervision: an individual and collective responsibility’ with Lynn McAlpine (Oxford)
• UPF Teaching Exchange (see below for details)
• Humboldt Teaching Exchange (see below for details)
• UCL Teaching Exchange (see below for details)

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

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

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

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

Teaching Abroad

In 2008, the Max Weber Programme set up a ‘teaching abroad’ programme with the London School of Economics in which Max Weber Fellows were offered one week's teaching experience. In May 2008 five Fellows visited the LSE where they each gave a public lecture and a seminar, and received professional feedback on their performance from Nick Byrne, Director, and Neil McLean, Professor, at the LSE Teaching and Learning Centre. In addition, the Fellows had meetings with LSE faculty members in their fields. Based on the success of this experience the Max Weber Programme continued the development of this exchange and in 2009 a selected group of sixteen Fellows had the opportunity to go to either the LSE in London or to Humboldt University in Berlin, for intensive teaching training practice for a week. In the academic year 2009-2010 an agreement was made between the EUI-MWP and the University of Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, to set up a teaching exchange for a maximum of another eight Max Weber Fellows. In the academic year 2014-2015, a total of twenty-five Max Weber Fellows participated, in 2015-2016 twenty-three obtained a Teacher Training Certificate, in 2016-2017 there were twenty-two. This year we have maximum of another eight Max Weber Fellows. In the late stage in the planning of the Teaching Practice observation (prior to teaching): during a language class (English for Specific Purposes), MWP Fellows observed the group that they were to give a tutorial to, afterwards the colleague teaching the class discussed all technical and other details of the tutorial to be taught by the Fellow. Second, a tutorial: three convenors observed the tutorial and gave feedback to the Fellow, students filled out feedback forms, which were discussed in the feedback session. Third, lecture: MWP Fellows gave an open undergraduate lecture in their own discipline, the convenors attended the lecture and there was a feedback session. Other Fellows attended the tutorials, the lectures and the feedback sessions.

Six Fellows went out to Humboldt: Giulia Bonazza (HEC), Mauro Lanati (RSC), Katarzyna Maria Kryla-Cudna (LAW), Clara Rauchegger (LAW), Evangelia Tsourdi (LAW) and Paul van Hooft (SPS).

On the UCL exchange

The exchange took place in the week of 13 to 17 March 2017. Unfortunately, the LSE had to pull out at a rather late stage in the planning of the Teaching Practice week, but we were able to pilot the UCL exchange by placing three Fellows who taught for a week in existing courses. Next year this fruitful and exciting collaboration will be expanded and professionalised in terms of feedback.

Three Fellows went out to UCL: Pablo Gracia (SPS), Marta Musso (HEC) and Mate Rigo (HEC).

On the Natolin College of Europe exchange

On the UPF Exchange

The UPF-MWP, Barcelona teaching exchange took place from 8 to 12 May 2017. It was set up in collaboration with the coordinators of the MWP exchange at UPF, Pau Solà, Marina Muñoz and Lucia Gil Royuela, of the Teaching Quality and Innovation Center (CQUID) and the Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, Mireia Trenchs. All Fellows taught a couple of sessions within the undergraduate courses and each gave a talk on a topic related to their research. They were also in contact with MA and PhD students and professors of the respective Faculties and Departments hosting their teaching.

Seven Fellows went to UPF: Alexandra Chadwick (HEC), Maxim Goryunov (ECO), Jonathan Greenwood (HEC), Nevena Kulic (SPS), Francesco Molteni, Akisato Suzuki (SPS), and Aris Trantidis (SPS).
Every year the College of Europe at Natolin invites Max Weber Fellows to devise and lead two workshops on historical topics. This collaboration between the Max Weber Programme and the European Civilization Chair at the College of Europe is part of a wider cooperation between the two institutions. The workshops were held in April 2017, each lasting four hours (two blocks of two hours). Previous workshops have been on ‘Migration in Europe: Contemporary Issues, Historical Perspectives’, ‘The Meanings of Europe: Historical Answers to Current Issues’, ‘The Formation of the European Migration Regime since 1947’, ‘An Introduction to World Trade – Historical Perspectives and New Challenges’, and ‘NATO and EU Endeavors in the Mediterranean’. Historical and Comparative Perspectives. Each workshop was scheduled on a single day. Natolin College of Europe paid for this teaching exchange.

Two Fellows went out to teach at Natolin: Robert Basedow (RSC) and Stefano Marcuzzi (RSC).

ACADEMIC PRACTICE GROUPS

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

Some of the topics discussed within the Academic Practice Groups 2016-2017 and as a collective were:

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

MAX WEBER LECTURES

The 2016 - 2017 Max Weber Lectures were given by:

Kalypso Nicolaïdís (University of Oxford)
Her lecture, Three Meanings of Brexit, took place on 26 October 2016.
Abstract: Kalypso Nicolaïdís discussed three meanings of Brexit – starting with a definition of ‘meaning’ as narrative, as opposed to explanation, rationalisation or implication. Meanings matter, she argued, for which narrative dominates the next two years and will determine not only the nature of the Brexit deal but also the nature of the EU itself. The three meanings are labelled exceptionalism (‘Brexit means that the UK should leave’) a narrative shared by hard-Brexeters and Euro-federalists; scepticism (‘Brexit mean that you all should leave’), a narrative shared by Euro-sceptics around Europe and left-wing Brexeters in the UK; and pluralism (‘Brexit means that you can leave’). The lecture explored the ways in which this last narrative can both draw on the other two and help transcend them. It drew on the four disciplines of the EUI and the Max Weber Programme, namely history, politics, law and economics.

Philippe Van Parijs (Université Catholique de Louvain)
His lecture, Just Europe, took place on 16 November 2016.
Abstract: How should we think about justice within the European Union? As a fair sharing of the benefits of voluntary cooperation between member states? Or on the model of domestic distribution justice, i.e. as the equalization of opportunities between European citizens? Or both? Or neither? In his only explicit discussion of the European Union, John Rawls, the founding father of contemporary political philosophy, takes a clear stance on this issue. The lecture spelled out this stance but argued for the opposite view. It then went on to sketch the implications for the struggles ahead, in Europe and elsewhere.

Ngaire Woods (University of Oxford)
As there was no abstract produced for the lecture, the link to the lecture can be found below:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C6roT-LmDZI
Professor Ngaire Woods is the inaugural Dean of the Blavatnik School of Government and Professor of Global Economic Governance. Her research focuses on global economic governance, the challenges of globalization, global development, and the role of international institutions. She founded and is the Director of the Global Economic Governance Programme. She is co-founder (with Robert O. Keohane) of the Oxford-Princeton Global Leaders Fellowship programme and led the creation of the Blavatnik School of Government at Oxford University.

Barbara Petrongolo (Queen Mary, University of London)
Abstract: Women’s increased involvement in the economy has been the most significant change in labour markets over the past century, resulting in clear gender convergence in human capital investment, employment prospects and outcomes. However, there are remaining gender gaps in pay and employment levels, as well as in the types of activities that men and women perform in the labour market. This lecturer discussed historical forces that eased female labour market entry, as well as current perspectives on the factors that hinder further convergence, including: (i) gender differences in preferences and psychological attributes, (ii) social norms and gender identity, and (iii) work-life balance considerations. She concluded

Max Weber Lecturer Philippe Van Parijs
Barry Eichengreen (University of California, Berkeley)
Abstract: This Max Weber lecture looked back at the history and forward at the prospects of the euro as Europe’s single currency. The retrospective portion revisited Bayoumi and Eichengreen’s ‘Shocking Aspects of European Integration’, distinguishing a European ‘core’ and a European ‘periphery’ and warned of problems for the periphery (composed, according to those early estimates, circa 1992, of Greece, Portugal, Spain, Ireland, Italy and the UK). Looking forward, the lecturer asked whether monetary union without political union can be made to work, and if so how.

Rhacel Salazar Parreñas (University of Southern California)
Abstract: Across the globe, migrant domestic workers are unfree workers whose legal residency is contingent on their continued employment as a live-in worker with a designated sponsor.
This talk examined the politics of their indenture. Providing a macro and micro perspective, it began with a global overview of the incorporation of migrant domestic workers as indentured workers in key host countries in the Americas, Asia, Europe and the Middle East, explaining the cultural logic that undergirds their indenture, and then described the conditions of domestic work in the ‘worst destination’ of the United Arab Emirates, where absconding is illegal and quitting one’s job requires a sponsor’s permission. This talk interrogated various theoretical frameworks for thinking about contemporary unfreedoms – slavery, human trafficking and structural violence – and proposed the alternative concept of ‘indentured mobility’, which sees migration as simultaneously constituting of financial mobility from a life of poverty in the sending society but at the cost of servitude vis-à-vis a sponsoring employer in the receiving society. The concept of indentured mobility foregrounds not only the severe structural constraints that limit the options of domestic workers but also their agentic negotiations for improving their work conditions and maximizing the possible gains in their state of unfreedom.

Sally E. Merry (New York University)
Abstract: An intense preoccupation with numbers is sweeping the worlds of international and domestic governance, based on the idea that political decisions must be made on the basis of objective quantitative data. The use of statistics in governance was fundamental to the emergence of the modern nation-state. With globalization, the scope of governance through quantification is growing even more. The expansion in quantification parallels the growth of bureaucracy; it is clear that bureaucracy runs on numbers. Using examples from efforts to measure violence against women developed by the United Nations to assess the phenomenon globally, this talk showed how bureaucracy and quantification complement each other. They work with a shared approach to knowledge production based on conceptions of objectivity, rationality, and specificity. At the same time, the dependence of bureaucratic activity on quantification means that its work is shaped by the underlying cultural and interpretive work of quantification and its capacity to render the complex social world commensurable through classification and categorization. The talk concluded by asking, based on this analysis, what are the prospects that bureaucracies can resist the current trend toward nationalistic, charismatic leadership?

Mark Philp (University of Warwick)
Abstract: In much of the literature on corruption, politics is seen as the source of corruption. Identifying it as the thing that is being corrupted
raises considerable difficulties, not least because of the intrinsically contestable nature of politics itself. This lecture made the case for identifying corruption in relation to standards internal to politics and linked disputes about the definition and analysis of corruption to recent work on realism in political theory.

**MAX WEBER FELLOWS IN CONVERSATION WITH THE MAX WEBER LECTURERS**

**Kalypso Nicolaidis interviewed by Johann Basedow (RSC) and Alex Katsaitis (RSC)**

Kalypso Nicolaidis was interviewed by MW Fellows Johann Basedow and Alex Katsaitis on 26 October 2016 at the Max Weber Programme of the European University Institute. They asked her to respond to the question ‘Is differentiated integration in a pluralist Europe the future of the EU?’. In Professor Nicolaidis’ response, she focused on Democracy, referenda and looking for a political space in Europe between majoritarian logic and multiple veto points.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r1ko-IbFj2E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r1ko-IbFj2E)

**Philippe Van Parijs interviewed by Andrei Poama (SPS)**

Philippe Van Parijs was interviewed by MW Fellow Andrei Poama on 17 November 2016 at the Max Weber Programme base in Villa Paola. The two discussed Dr. Van Parijs’ intellectual biography, his choice of being a philosopher and an occasional activist.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q5m8kLvqGJM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q5m8kLvqGJM)

**Barbara Petrongolo interviewed by Nevena Kulic (SPS) and Seetha Menon (ECO)**

Barbara Petrongolo was interviewed by MW Fellows Nevena Kulic and Seetha Menon on 18 January 2017, before her presentation at the European University Institute. The interview touched upon Barbara Petrongolo’s research in gendered markets and her experience as a woman in academia.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M0Rd6Mz2qII](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M0Rd6Mz2qII)

**Rhacel Salazar Parreñas interviewed by Giulia Bonazza (HEC) and Lilian Tsourdi (LAW)**

Rhacel Salazar Parreñas was interviewed by MW Fellows Giulia Bonazza and Lilian Tsourdi on 22 March 2017 at the Max Weber Programme of the European University Institute. Their conversation centred on migrant domestic workers, labour indentures and the lengths necessary to go to be an effective ethnographer.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dlKgM_INY1k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dlKgM_INY1k)

**Barry Eichengreen interviewed by Anna Chadwick (LAW) and Marta Musso (HEC)**

Barry Eichengreen was interviewed by MW Fellows Anna Chadwick and Marta Musso on 15 February 2017, ahead of his Max Weber Lecture. The interview referred to Professor Eichengreen’s intellectual biography and moved on to discuss the relevance of economic history, the lessons not learned and the future of the Euro.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W9uUvh_UK20](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W9uUvh_UK20)
Sally E. Merry interviewed by Henrietta Zeffert (LAW)

Sally E. Merry was interviewed by MW Fellow Henrietta Zeffert on 26 April 2017. The pair discussed the main topics of Professor Merry’s lecture, including the cultural meaning of quantification in bureaucracy and the difficulty of inscribing complex facts through countable indicators. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DWKBjhUvY9A

Mark Philp interviewed by Lior Erez (SPS) and Steven Klein (SPS)

Mark Philp was interviewed by MW Fellows Lior Erez and Steven Klein on 9 May 2017 in anticipation of his Max Weber Lecture at the European University Institute the following day. The two Fellows focused on his academic journey, realism and republicanism. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JdInTTriPoI

MWP OCCASIONAL LECTURES

David Dyzenhaus (University of Toronto)
His lecture, Emergencies and Human Rights, took place on 7 December 2016.

Abstract: ‘Salus populi suprema lex esto’ – let the safety of the people be the supreme law. If Cicero’s maxim is correct, human rights do have limits. In an emergency situation, when the safety of the people is under threat, the law that governs is not the law of human rights, but a judgment about what it takes to secure the safety of the people. Dr. Dyzenhaus argued that the juridical concept of the safety of the people includes respect for the human rights of the individuals who make up what we can think of as the ‘jural community’ of ‘the people’. It follows that emergencies do not so much expose limits to human rights as show how human rights constitute the jural community. Far from emergencies telling us primarily how human rights will or may legitimately be limited, they tell us why human rights limit – or better shape – the way in which states respond to emergencies, when they respond as states.

Hilton Root (George Mason University)
His lecture, Is Modernization Dead? Why Developments in World Politics Place an Epistemic Challenge for Social Scientists, took place on 16 March 2017.

Abstract: Modernization theory has postulated a strong relationship between socioeconomic development and democratization. The pivotal work of Seymour Martin Lipset triggered decades of empirical research into the causes of development and democratization. Working within this epistemic framework a group of economists in the New Institutionalist Approach (NIE) sought to refine claims about the direction of causality in the relationship between socioeconomic development and democratic change. While the earlier literature argues that socioeconomic development leads to consolidated democratic systems, NIE’s claim is that good institutions with the observance of the
rule of law promote economic growth, which is likely to trigger a path to democracy (most notably, Rodrik 2007 and Acemoglu and Robinson 2012 developing Douglass North’s theory). Recent developments cast a heavy shadow of doubt on these predictions. China’s authoritarian path to development, Turkey’s descent to one-party hegemony despite its notable economic growth, and the rise of authoritarianism and populism in parts of Europe are key indications of remarkable divergence and variety in institutional trajectories.

Drawing on his experience as a policy adviser and fieldwork in directing development projects in five Muslim-majority countries, Professor Hilton Root critiqued this linear approach which has become a dominant trend in the social sciences. He also questioned whether the key assumptions of the equilibrium models of the senior branch of economic analysis are the prudent way to describe political and economic developments. His book *Dynamics Among Nations* (2013, MIT Press), provides an alternative framework for understanding how structures form and change over time. Instead of focusing on variables independently by ‘holding all things constant’, so that cause and effect could be determined, he argued human societies should be seen as complex systems made up of networks of interacting agents – families, ruling coalitions, governmental bureaucracies, markets, unions – that influence each other within the larger system. The behaviour of one agent affects the behaviour of another, and the resulting dynamics produce novel and powerful self-organizing behavioural patterns that change the system, and create a spiral of feedback loops and linked responses. No equilibrium exists in the sense that is commonly understood in economics. Social actors change their behaviour as the system evolves, and their adaptations cause changes in the system as well. The coevolution of behaviour, function, and structure constitutes the traits of a particular system, and in their interactions the actors form networks that are in constant flux.

With this alternative analytic framework for the study of institution building, governance, and economic policy reform, Root challenged New Institutionalism and modernization theory, and shed light on the divergent trajectories of China, Turkey, and Korea.

**Alan Cromartie** (University of Reading)


Abstract: Hobbes was by any standards a late developer: by his own account, his efforts to do ‘Philosophy’ did not begin till he was 47. As might have been expected, though, he had attitudes and assumptions that developed earlier and that continuously shaped his philosophical efforts. A surprising amount can be deduced about these attitudes. A biographical investigation illuminates the character of what he set out to achieve, and thus, at least to some extent, the strengths and weaknesses of the political ideas that he has given us. It enables us to see contrasts between his early thinking and that of most of his contemporaries, but also to see interesting continuities with the Aristotelian scholasticism he affected to despise. It is particularly informative on the relationship between deterministic science and his attempts to understand the passions. The result is a helpful perspective on the science of politics.

**Lawrence Venuti** (Temple University)


Abstract: This lecture first provided an account of the structure of translation commentary: one or more theoretical concepts concerning a translation (concepts that define its relative autonomy from the source text, the relation of correspondence that it establishes to that text, and the function that it performs) are usually linked to one or more discursive strategies, so that a strategy is seen as a practical realization of a concept.

This account is illustrated by concepts drawn from two influential twentieth-century theorists, Eugene Nida (‘dynamic equivalence’) and Gideon Toury (‘translation norms’), whose incomplete and somewhat inconsistent formulations point to underlying models of language and translation, either instrumental or hermeneutic. On the empiricist assumption that language is direct expression or reference, the instrumental model treats translation as the reproduction or transfer of an invariant which
the source text contains or causes, typically described as its form, its meaning or its effect. On the materialist assumption that language is creation thickly mediated by linguistic and cultural determinants, the hermeneutic model treats translation as an interpretation of the source text whose form, meaning, and effect are seen as variable, subject to inevitable transformation during the translating process.

The lecture then deployed the account of translation commentary in a detailed analysis of Friedrich Schleiermacher’s lecture, On the Different Methods of Translating (1813), in which omissions and inconsistencies expose the limitations of his theoretical concepts and discursive strategies. Schleiermacher sets forth a hermeneutic understanding of translation, but it is preempted by a residual empiricism that detaches the interpretive act from its cultural and social context while privileging the values of a cultural elite in the service of Prussian nationalism.

The aim of the lecture was to argue that translation research and practice cannot advance until empiricist-based instrumentalism is replaced by an understanding of translation that is based on a more sophisticated version of the hermeneutic model. The version of that model presented here conceives of translation as an interpretive act that potentially initiates a mutual interrogation – of the source text and culture and of the translation and its cultural situation. This hermeneutic approach was illustrated through an analysis of Susan Bernofsky’s 2004 English translation of Schleiermacher’s lecture, in which she employed various Gallicisms in diction that point to the French genealogy of the German thinker’s concepts and put into question their nationalistic force.

MASTER CLASSES WITH THE MAX WEBER LECTURERS
27 October 2016
Kalypso Nicolaidis (University of Oxford) Democracy and its Applications
Thematic Group: Diversity and Unity

17 November 2016
Philippe van Parijs (Université Catholique de Louvain) Gender Justice, Basic Income and European Democracy
Thematic Group: Legal, Political and Social Theory

15 December 2016
Ngaire Woods (University of Oxford) Is Better Global Governance Possible?
Thematic Group: Europe in the World

19 January 2017
Barbara Petrongolo (Queen Mary University London) Gender Norms
Thematic Group: Inequality and Efficiency in Education and Labour Markets
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MAX WEBER PROGRAMME FOR POSTDOCTORAL STUDIES

15 February 2017
Barry Heichengreen (University of California, Berkeley)
Cables, Sharks and Servers: Technology and the Geography of the Foreign Exchange Market
Thematic Group: Tommaso Padoa-Schioppa

21 March 2017
Rhacel Salazar Parrenas (University of Southern California)
Mobilising Morality: Migrant Domestic Workers in Dubai
Thematic Group: Citizenship and Migration

27 April 2017
Sally Engle Merry (New York University)
Cultural Dimensions of Power/Knowledge: The Challenges of Measuring Violence against Women
Thematic Group: Legal, Political and Social Theory: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives

MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH WORKSHOPS

9 December 2016
Citizens, Democracy, and Global Responsibility
Organisers: Christine Hobden (SPS), Stefanie Reher (SPS) and Akisato Suzuki (SPS)
This workshop aimed to discuss the actual or potential responsibility of citizens for democratic values and politics on a global scale. Contemporary politics is inevitably transnational. International relations require pressing attention and careful navigation, but to what extent, if at all, is this the responsibility of citizens? What kind of responsibility do they owe, and to whom? Moreover, how should states balance their responsibilities towards other states and people with their need to be responsive to their own citizens? Despite often competing interests, coordination and compliance are required to effectively respond to collective challenges such as climate change, refugee crises, and terrorism. Brexit has rekindled a fierce debate between the advocates of national sovereignty and proponents of European integration, and despite impressive progress toward a more peaceful international regime some inter-state relations remain hostile, unstable, or precarious. At the same time, coordination is increasing with far-reaching trade agreements such as TTIP. Some citizens actively contest the terms of such agreements and campaigns, for example, against multinational companies accused of labour exploitation and tax avoidance in developing countries. Yet, where citizens’ interests and global responsibilities diverge, a tension can arise.

24 January 2017
Critical Reflections on Asylum, Migration, and Xenophobia in Europe
Organisers: Eva-Maria Muschik (HEC), Evangelia (Lilian) Tsourdi (LAW) and Ioannis Galariotis (SPS)
The European Union (EU) finds itself in the midst of a ‘refugee crisis.’ The arrival of increasing numbers of asylum seekers raises moral, political, cultural, and institutional challenges. EU member states have not been able to formulate a joint response. While member states at the fringe of the union raised physical barriers in the hope of curbing the refugee influx, others reinstated border controls, thus eroding the Schengen acquis. Most importantly, refugees are risking their lives to reach EU territory and, once they arrive, often face deplorable conditions that barely meet their basic needs. This situation has prompted much debate on how the EU should respond to the current challenge, and reap the opportunities that migration presents. Bringing together historians, legal scholars and political scientists, the aim of the workshop was to showcase new research related to the crisis to facilitate a better-informed public debate. Contributions ranged from analyses of xenophobia in Europe, to a review of migrants’ perceptions of the EU, and from investigations of current EU asylum policy, to an examination of international responses to the European refugee crisis at the end of World War II.

18 January 2017
Survey Experiments
Organisers: Andrei Poama (SPS) and Paul Bauer (SPS)
Survey experiments have emerged as one of the most powerful methodological tools in the social sciences. By combining experimental design that provides clear causal inference with the flexibility of the survey context as a site for behavioural research, survey experiments can be used in almost any field.
to study almost any question. Conducting survey experiments can appear fairly simple but doing them well is hard. This workshop introduced the logic of survey experimentation, introduced common survey-experimental ‘paradigms’ that are widely used across the social sciences, explained how to connect social science theories to the design of experiments, addressed practical and inferential challenges, and included time for participants to discuss and receive feedback on their own planned or completed experiments.

14 March 2017
Persistent Inequalities: Studying Gender in the 21st Century
Organisers: Ines Berniell (ECO), Pablo Gracia (SPS), Steven Klein (SPS) and Nevena Kulic (SPS)

Even as more and more countries make gender equality a goal of public policy, gender hierarchies persist across a range of contexts and metrics. What explains the persistence of gender inequalities? What are the mechanisms that reproduce these inequalities? What public policies and political approaches have the best ability to overcome gender hierarchy? Finally, how is gender (in)equality at the societal level linked to within-household inequalities? To what extent does gender inequality emerge within families? How much of it is a by-product of a wider societal system? Bringing together the approaches of scholars in sociology, political theory, and economics, this day-long multidisciplinary workshop featured innovative research that examined, from a variety of methodological and thematic perspectives, the persistence of gender inequality. The workshop featured three panels as well as two keynote speakers. Each panel focused on a different aspect of gender inequality: (1) social policy and the welfare state; (2) labour markets; and (3) household inequality.

15 March 2017
When Institutions Fail: An Interdisciplinary Perspective on Institutional Change, Outcome Diversity and Unintended Consequences
Organiser: Aris Trantidis (SPS)

Institutions play a key role in reducing uncertainty, supposedly contributing to more predictable behavioural patterns and leading to path-dependent developments in society, politics and the economy. Yet institutions evolve in dynamic and unexpected ways. While human action is constrained by the normative and institutional environment in which it unfolds, social actors largely shape and modify environmental factors, prompting institutional change. Nothing is static. The interaction between human action and the institutional environment (broadly stated, between agency and structure) generates change, diversity of outcomes and, quite frequently, if not always, unanticipated and/or unintended effects. Institutional theory tends to see these outcomes as either a result of re-alignments in the strategic moves of rational actors or of an exogenous shock that disturbs existing institutional arrangements. The workshop’s presentations emphasized that unintended consequences and the diversity of outcomes have origins in the adaptive behavioural capacity of social actors and the network-like structure of interactions. The behaviour of one agent affects the behaviour of another, and the resulting dynamics produce novel and powerful self-organizing patterns. The purpose of the workshop is to prompt a critical exploration of the complex processes by which institutions evolve from an interdisciplinary perspective, which involves political science, political economy, law, legal and political theory and historiography.

17 March 2017
All for One and One for All? Coalitions in the Fight against Terrorism
Organisers: Matteo Faini (RSC), Tine Gade (RSC) and Stefano Marcuzzi (RSC)

Like the mythological Hydra, multilateral coalitions have many heads and the potential to be extremely effective. Unlike the Hydra, however, the coalition’s heads often go their own way, following their own strategy even when it is at odds with the overall goal of the coalition. Managing these coalitions is an extenuating and yet vital task in the fight against terrorism. The workshop aims to explore the formation of multilateral coalitions, the way they fight, the dilemmas and trade-offs they face and to identify best practices in coalition management. For instance, what lessons can be drawn from the multilateral operations against the Islamic State in Mosul? How can multilateral coalitions share the intelligence their partners possess without compromising that intelligence? How have the EU and NATO fared in their fight against terrorism? The workshop brought together academics and practitioners, with keynote speeches by Ambassador Alessandro Minuto-Rizzo, former Deputy Secretary General of NATO, and Professor Olivier Roy.

27-28 April 2017
European Hobbes Society Workshop
Organiser: Alexandra Chadwick (HEC)

This two-day workshop was organised under the aegis of the European Hobbes Society and supported by the Max Weber Programme and the Department of History and Civilization. The workshop provided the opportunity for in-depth discussion of new work
on the philosophy of Thomas Hobbes. Papers were pre-circulated to registered participants, and an hour was allocated to the discussion of each paper, divided as follows:

- Brief introduction by the author.
- A short response from an invited respondent.
- Opportunity for the author to reply.
- Questions and discussion.

5 May 2017
Evolution of Capitalism
Organisers: Marta Musso (HEC) and Mate Rigo (HEC)

How can historical research on economies, economists, and economic policies enrich and reinvigorate the study of the mainstream of modern history, centred on the investigation of ethnicity, nationalism, and political history? This workshop showcased the possible contributions that the study of 19th and 20th century ‘histories of capitalism’ can bring to the field of modern US, European and world history. At the same time, presenters pointed to the contributions that the study of history of capitalism can contribute to current debates on oil, colonialism, and trade liberalization. Presenters drew on case studies to address issues relevant to global history as well as business history and transnational history. Some of the themes explored included business networks, global development, property and expropriation, and relations between ‘centres’ and ‘peripheries.’

17 May 2017
Translation in Transit: Interpreting Culture in the Modern World
Organisers: Jonathan Greenwood (HEC) and Katalin Straner (HEC)

At the heart of every discipline is translation, the mediation between ideas fraught with problems due to discrepancies in language and interpretation. But how was this cognitive dissonance remedied in the modern world, a period that starts with the advent of print in 1450? By treating translation in the broadest sense, this multidisciplinary workshop provided provisional answers to this thorny question by exploring the adaptation of European culture within the continent and the wider world. Translation, a concept so rich, yet deeply problematic, compels a multivalent, analytical methodology only possible with the aid of several disciplines from the social sciences and the humanities. Among the topics explored in this workshop were the translation of science, law, politics, religion, literature and art from the sixteenth to the twenty-first centuries from global, transregional, and transnational perspectives.

22 – 23 May 2017
The Return of Economic Nationalism?
Organisers: Prof. Dorothee Bhole (SPS) and MW Fellows Vera Scepanovic (SPS) and Line Rennwald (SPS)

To judge by the headlines, the age of liberal economic integration is over. From the UK’s decision to leave the
EU to surprise re-nationalizations of key services in some of its new member states, from US Republicans’ demands for greater isolation to the protests against the Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership on both sides of the Atlantic, the calls to protect national economic interest are making a grand comeback. This workshop explored the origins and consequences of this return of the nationalist discourse in economic policymaking. Championed mostly from the far right, the mix of appeals for greater economic autonomy, sovereignty from the transnational capital and social justice has raised a daunting challenge not only for liberals but also for the left. To what extent are these representative of broader political realignments? Which legal and political claims are being marshalled to legitimate certain interests over others? What are the forces and the coalitions that are behind the new turn to economic nationalism? And most importantly, to what extent have they actually challenged the current liberal regime governing the exchange of goods and capital? The issues outlined above lie at the intersection of political science, economic sociology, and law, and to address them this workshop proposed to bring together researchers from a variety of disciplinary backgrounds. In addition to contributions dealing with the current wave of economic nationalism, we also welcome participants who can add a historical dimension to our understanding of this problem.

5 June 2017

Bayesian Statistics: Concept and Practice
Organisers: Akisato Suzuki (SPS), Amuitz Garmendia Madariaga (SPS) and Paul Bauer (SPS) under the initiative of the Quantitative Methods Working Group

This workshop introduced the concept and practice of Bayesian statistical inference. Bayesian statistics has been gaining more recognition than ever in the field of social sciences. The workshop dealt with the fundamental differences between Bayesian and more conventional frequentist statistics and introduced the basic logic of Bayesian inference. It then focused primarily on computational methods in Bayesian inference, which allow for a high level of flexibility in statistical modelling. Participants not only learned the concept of Bayesian statistics but also practiced computational Bayesian inference in lab sessions using Stan implemented in R.

11 September 2017

Reducing Migration Flows by Involvement in Countries of Origin: Assessment of EU and National Policy

The EU is facing unprecedented inflows of immigrants from the southern Mediterranean and there is growing pressure on European institutions to find an effective way to manage (and arrest) the migration flows in the short to medium term. A number of measures have already been adopted, such as the so-called migration compacts (the Jordan compact and those for transit countries), the effectiveness of which have been questioned by several analysts. The current debate at the EU Commission is about finding a proper mix between humanitarian and pro-development assistance to the countries of origin, with specific focus on countries that host the majority of refugees, such as Lebanon, Libya, Jordan and Turkey. The workshop brought together researchers from different areas to discuss the effectiveness of these policies in the countries of origin, particularly in the southern Mediterranean area: how is EU assistance responding to the migration crises (especially to the countries that host the majority of refugees); how and to what extent can these measures affect the decision to migrate; how can cooperation between the EU and countries of origin be developed further.

11TH MWP-ACO CONFERENCE

On 8th February 2017 the MWP-ACO conference on research funding opportunities brought together representatives of European and national agencies and research funding charities. The conference was open to young researchers in the Social Sciences and Humanities and provided Max Weber Fellows with up-to-date information on research funding schemes in countries such as the Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Austria and the US. Delegates explained their programmes and offered advice and insight on the application process.

The last part of the conference focused on top tips for grant-writing. The presenter shared the details of the application procedure with the audience and gave some practical tips to successfully apply for research funding.

After the conference, the participants had the opportunity to talk individually with the speakers: Frank Marx (Research Executive Agency, European Commission); Sebastian Winkler (European Research Council Executive Agency); Renée Van Kessel-Hagesteijn (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research); Isabelle
Verbaeys (Research Foundation-Flanders); Martin Christen (Swiss National Science Foundation); Grete M. Kladakis (The Danish Council for Independent Research); Holger Finken (German Academic Exchange Service); Barbara Zimmermann (Austria Science Fund); Sonia Ortega (National Science Foundation US); Ken Emond (The British Academy); Marijke Hendrickx (The Fulbright Schuman Scholar Program); Jacob Leverdige (University College London).

10TH MWP – JMU GRADUATE SYMPOSIUM

*The Past, Present, and Future of the EU: Multidimensional Perspectives.*
7 April 2017, joint conference by JMU and the MWP.

The EUI’s Max Weber Programme and James Madison University’s MA Program in European Union Policy Studies held their 10th annual Joint Graduate Symposium.

The symposium gave JMU’s MA students in European Union Policy Studies an opportunity to present and discuss their own research with Max Weber Fellows and the wider EUI community in an academic setting. This year, the symposium discussed the past, present, and future of the EU through multidimensional perspectives including economy, national/international security, and European/foreign affairs.

The symposium ended with a keynote lecture by Professor Stefano Bartolini, Peter Mair Chair in Comparative Politics in the Department of Political and Social Sciences at EUI, ‘The European Parliament: obstinate but obsolete?’
For decades the global order seemed engaged – with a few, though significant, exceptions – in a process of integration across every dimension (economic, political, social, and cultural) and on every level (global, inter-governmental, transnational, regional, national and local). Increasing diversity accompanied integration, leading to both the stabilisation and destabilisation of societies. However, in recent years that transformation has slowed down sharply, and in some cases come to a halt. Instability and mounting challenges to the liberal order and approaches across every dimension and on every level have replaced what appeared to be a smooth, inevitable, and supposedly benign 'progression', challenging historical consciousness. The diversity championed by the liberal order over the past decades has likewise been met with resistance from those seeking to return to more traditional boundaries – whether national, religious, ethnic, gender, or cultural. Is this the onset of a new era, or just the latest, perhaps temporary, development in an ongoing, open-ended transformation of global societies over the past centuries that has been marked by alternating moments of change and reaction?

This multidisciplinary conference sought to answer these questions from a variety of social science and humanities perspectives (historical, political science and sociological, economic, and legal) and represented through the EUI’s six thematic groupings. The conference welcomed regular presentations, poster presentations or panel proposals related to those thematic research groups, as well as contributions that addressed other issues of academic and social relevance.

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WEDNESDAY
7 JUNE 2017

KEYNOTE LECTURES

Sarah de Lange (University of Amsterdam)
A Patriotic Spring? On the Globalisation of National Populism

Claudia Goldin (Harvard University)
Career and Family: Confluence or Collision

PANEL 1 (SEMINAR ROOM 4)
TRADE, FINANCE, & INVESTMENT I: LAWS AND MARKETS

Chair:
Anna Elizabeth Chadwick (MWF, LAW)

Papers:
Katarzyna Maria Kryla-Cudna (MWF, LAW)
Damages for Non-Pecuniary Loss in European Contract Law

Philipp Hacker (MWF, LAW)
Algorithmic Discrimination as a Legal Challenge

Pablo Iglesias-Rodríguez (University of Sussex)
Cooperation in the Post-crisis EU Financial Supervision Architecture and the Construction of the Single Market for Financial Services

PANEL 2 (SEMINAR ROOM 3)
KNOWLEDGE IN MOTION

Chair:
Veronika Pehe (MWF, HEC)

Papers:
Jonathan Greenwood (MWF, HEC)
Hispanophobia in Spanish: the Translation of Critiques of Spanish Colonialism

Katalin Straner (MWF, HEC)
Blurred Lines: Approaches to Scientific Translation and Authorship in Hungary, 1850-1869

Thibaud Boncourt (Université libre de Bruxelles)
Does the EU Shape Knowledge Production in the Social Sciences? European Integration and the Social and Political Sciences at the European University Institute (1976-1986)

Elena Esposito (University of Lausanne)
On the Legacy of Pirate Raids in Italy

PANEL 3 (EMEROTECA)
EARLY AND LATER CHILDHOOD: SOCIOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

Chair:
Inés Berniell (MWF, ECO)

Papers:
Nevena Kulic (MWF, SPS)
Who Cares for the Children? Family Social Position and Childcare Arrangements of Infants in Italy

Pablo Gracia (MWF, SPS)
Children’s Time Use in Context: The Role of Institutional, Demographic, and Socioeconomic Factors

Diederik Boertien (CED, Centre for Demographic Studies)
Pathways to Parenthood and Grade Retention among Children of Same-sex and Opposite-sex Parents

PANEL 4 (SEMINAR ROOM 4)
TRADE, FINANCE, & INVESTMENT II: LIBERALISATION AND GLOBAL MARKETS

Chair:
Robert Basedow (MWF RSC)

Papers:
Gary Winslett (MWF, RSC)
Sectoral Plurilaterals: The New Template for Trade Liberalization

Maria Adele Carrai (MWF, LAW)
The One Belt One Road: a New China Model?

Anna Elizabeth Chadwick (MWF, LAW)
Financial Derivatives: Legal Weapons of Mass Destruction?

Mate Rigo (MWF, HEC)
What is the History of Capitalism (Good For)?

PANEL 5 (SEMINAR ROOM 3)
RIGHT- AND LEFT-WING POLITICS

Chair:
Stefanie Reher (MWF, SPS)

Papers:
Paul Bauer (MWF, SPS)
Conceptualizing and Measuring Polarization

Line Rennwald (MWF, SPS)
Should I Stay or Should I Go Now? How Social Class and Union Membership Conditions the Propensity of Voters to Abandon Mainstream Left Parties?

David Lebow (MWF, LAW)
The Arc of the Left: From Progressivism through Neutral Process to Liberalism

Amuitz Garmendia Madariaga (MWF, SPS)
Symptoms of Disintegration: State-wide parties’ Multilevel Policy Positions under Constitutional Asymmetries
PANEL 6 (EMEROTECA)
MACROECONOMICS PERSPECTIVES ON INSTABILITY

Chair:
Silvia Calò (MWF, RSC)

Papers:
Lian Allub (MWF, ECO)
Constrained Efficient Entrepreneurship
Francesco Molteni (MWF, ECO)
Liquidity, Government Bonds and Sovereign Debt Crises
Michael Rousakis (University of Oxford)
Deposit Flight and Capital Controls: a Tale from Greece'
Aris Trantidis (MWF, SPS)
Learning from Failure: Macroeconomic Policy, Theoretical Foundations and the Price-Theoretic Perspective

PANEL 7 (SEMINAR ROOM 4)
TRADE, FINANCE, & INVESTMENT III: THE EU AND GLOBAL MARKETS

Chair:
Katarzyna Maria Kryla-Cudna (MWF, LAW)

Papers:
Robert Basedow (MWF, RSC)
Does European Business Lobby for International Investment Agreements?
Belen Olmos Giupponi (Liverpool Hope University)
Transnational Economic Governance at the Crossroads: EU Trade and Investment Policy EUTIP, Mega-regional Agreements and Sustainable Development
Marta Musso (MWF, HEC)
The Oil Industry, Energy Security, and International Development: the EEC and Opec

PANEL 8 (SEMINAR ROOM 3)
THE EUROPEAN COURTS AS FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS COURTS

Chair:
Philipp Hacker (MWF, LAW)

Papers:
Shreya Atrey (MWF, LAW)
Facing the Challenge: CJEU’s Turn to Redress Intersectionality
Clara Rauchegger (MWF, LAW)
The CJEU and National Constitutional Rights
Evangelia (Lilian) Tsourdi (MWF, LAW)
Asylum Seekers and Refugees’ Rights Under EU Law'
Karin De Vries (VU University)
Citizens’ or residents’ rights? Legal Status and Territoriality in the Article 14 Case Law of the European Court of Human Rights

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PANEL 9 (EMEROTECA)
IDENTITY, NATIONALISM, RELIGION

Chair:
Lior Erez (MWF, SPS)

Papers:
Cecilia Tarruell (University of Oxford)
Migration and Religious Conversion in the Spanish Empire: Political Attitudes towards Migrants from Islamic Lands, 16th-17th Centuries

Tine Gade (MWF, RSC)
The Iraqi Sunni Religious Scene since 2011: Socio-economic or Theological Fragmentation?

Muriam Davis (University of California, Santa Cruz)
Decolonization, European Integration, and the Social Sciences: Reflections on the Postwar Order

David Do Paço (Sciences Po)
Mass migration and social fabric: the making of a new civil society in Trieste 1717-1830

PANEL 10 (SEMINAR ROOM 3)
INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND DIPLOMACY
I: THE ACTORS AND ART OF DIPLOMACY

Chair:
Paul van Hooft (MWF, SPS)

Papers:
Ioannis Galariotis (MWF, SPS)
The Formation of EU Negotiating Strategy in International Organizations: the Case of Human Rights at the United Nations

Michal Onderco (Erasmus University Rotterdam)
Transformation of Europe’s Place in Multilateral Diplomacy

Eva-Maria Muschik (MWF, HEC)
The Refugee as a Concern for International Organizations since World War Two

Cynthia Salloum (MWF, SPS)
The Rise of Religious Actors: is the Holy See Diplomacy an Exceptional Case?

PANEL 11 (SEMINAR ROOM 2)
ECONOMIC MIGRATION

Chair:
Kym Pram (MWF, ECO)

Papers:
Giulia Bonazza (MWF, HEC)
Slavery and Migration between the 19th-century Mediterranean and the Atlantic: the Italian Case

Seetha Menon (MWF, ECO)
Remittance Behaviour and Return Migration Expectations

Julija Sardelic (University of Liverpool)
What Happened to Transit Migration?: a Socio-Legal Analysis of the Western Balkan Route

Katharina Lenner (University of Bath)

PANEL 12 (EMEROTECA)
CULTURES OF IDENTITY AND MEMORY

Chair:
Katalin Straner (MWF, HEC)

Papers:
Alexandra Chadwick (MWF, HEC)
Hobbes and Hume on the Dignity (or Meanness) of Human Nature
Zsofia Lorand (Lichtenberg-Kolleg of the Georg August University)
Possibilities of the Writing of the History of Women’s Emancipation during State Socialism through Intellectual History

Veronika Pehe (MWF, HEC)
Collecting Memories Twenty Years Later: Mapping the Post-1989 Transformation in Czechoslovakia through Longitudinal Oral History

Lior Erez (MWF, SPS)
Liberal Nationalism and Dual National Identity

POSTER SESSION

Poster:
Audrey Millet (MWF, HEC)
Private and Public Drawings. An Impossible Property? France-Switzerland (18-19th centuries)

PANEL 13 (SEMINAR ROOM 2)
MIGRATION AS CRISIS: HISTORY, POLITICS, LAW AND ETHICS OF (DIS)EMPOWERMENT

Chair:
José Juan Pérez Meléndez (MWF, HEC)

Papers:
Michael Kozakowski (University of Colorado-Denver)
Migrants during Crises: Historical Perspectives on Economic and Political Challenges
Guy Aitchison (University College Dublin)
Disobedience Across Borders
Péter D. Szigeti (McGill University)
Immigration Law as Comparative Family Law: A Study of Legal Methods and Values
Matthew Hoye (Maastricht University)
Illegal Immigrants, Sanctuary Cities, and Republican Liberty

PANEL 14 (EMEROTECA)
EDUCATION AND LABOUR MARKETS

Chair:
Nevena Kulic (MWF, SPS)

Papers:
Maxim Goryunov (MWF, ECO)
Sorting When Firms Have Size
Inés Berniell (MWF, ECO)
Poor Little Children: The Socioeconomic Gap in Parental Responses to School Unreadiness
Florian Hertel (University of Hamburg)
A U-turn in College Graduation Inequality? Long Term Trends in Educational Mobility in the US

PANEL 15 (SEMINAR ROOM 3)
INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND DIPLOMACY II: OLD AND NEW EMPIRES

Chair:
Eva-Maria Muschik (MWF, HEC)

Papers:
José Juan Pérez Meléndez (MWF, HEC)
Other Second Empires? Mexico, Brazil and Colonization in the Dark Decades of Post-Independence
Paul van Hooft (MWF, SPS)
All-In or All-Out: Why the US is Prone to Pursue either Maximalist or Minimalist Grand Strategies

Sinem Casale (MWF, HEC)
Gifts that Break Ties: Art and Diplomacy in the Age of the Ottoman-Safavid Conflict
Stefano Marcuzzi (MWF, RSC)
The EU and NATO, towards a Common Strategy for Libya and the Central Mediterranean

PANEL 16 (SEMINAR ROOM 2)
REPRESENTATION AND MODELS OF DEMOCRACY

Chair:
Paul Bauer (MWF, SPS)

Papers:
Alexander Katsaitis (MWF, RSC)
Politicization across the European Parliament’s Policy Domains
Stefanie Reher (MWF, SPS)
Mind This Gap, Too: Resources, Representation, and Political Orientations of Citizens with Disabilities

MW Fellows David Lebow and Andrej Milivojevic, 11th Annual Max Weber Fellows’ June Conference
Akisato Suzuki (MWF, SPS)
Measuring Citizens’ Ability to Collectively and Non-violently Oppose the Government: A New Index and Its Implications

Andrej Milivojevic (MWF, HEC)
Exit, Voice, Disloyalty? Albert Hirschman’s Model and the (Paradoxical) Consequences of Emigration on Authoritarian Regime Stability

PANEL 17 (EMEROTECA)
MICROECONOMICS

Chair:
Maxim Goryunov (MWF, ECO)

Papers:
Ran Eilat (MWF, ECO)
Mechanism Design and (Im)Precise information

Kym Pram (MWF, ECO)
Hard Evidence and Welfare in Adverse Selection Environments

Moti Michaeli (University of Haifa)
Non-confrontational Extremists

Matteo Foschi (MWF, ECO)
Contracting with Type-dependent Naïveté

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PANEL 18 (SEMINAR ROOM 2)
POLITICAL ECONOMY: STATE, SOCIETY, AND THE MARKET

Chair:
Gary Winslett (MWF, RSC)

Papers:
Silvia Caló (MWF, RSC)
Fiscal Policy and Trading Partners

Vera Scepanovic (MWF, SPS)
The Return of Economic Nationalism to East Central Europe – a Model in Crisis?

Laura Seelkopf (MWF, RSC)
Pathways to the Tax State: Timing, Sequence and Revenue

Steven Klein (MWF, SPS)
Conceptualizing Domination in the Welfare State

PANEL 19 (EMEROTECA)
CRISIS OF LEGITIMACY OF POLITICAL ELITES AND REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

Chair:
Evangelia (Lilian) Tsourdi (MWF, LAW)

Papers:
Damjan Kukovec (MWF, LAW)
Brexit – a Tragic Continuation of Europe’s Daily Operation

Diane Fromage (Maastricht University)
National Parliaments in an (increasingly) Asymmetric European Union

Besir Ceka (Davidson College)
Mind the Gap: the Different Levels of Trust in EU and National Institutions

KEYNOTE CONCLUDING LECTURE
Prof. András Sajó (CEU)
Upholding Constitutionalism
Max Weber Programme Activities Feedback

1. EVALUATION SURVEY

During the Academic Year 2016/2017 we conducted two evaluation surveys, at the end of the first term and at the end of the year (June). We also asked Fellows to evaluate the Thematic Research Groups in which they took part.

The response rate was 71% for the first survey, and 62% for the second.

SEPTEMBER PRESENTATIONS

Around 60% of the Fellows attended all the presentations and considered them a helpful way to introduce themselves and their research to the EUI community. Results also show that a great majority of Fellows consider these presentations useful and were satisfied with the feedback they received on their presentations from MWP staff.

Figure 1.
Did you consider the format to be helpful in introducing yourself and your research to your colleagues and vice versa?

Figure 2.
Were you satisfied with the individual feedback session on your presentation with Academic Communications Staff?
TEACHING CERTIFICATE
In order to obtain a Max Weber Teaching Certificate, a Fellow must have successfully completed a series of academic practice activities organised by the MWP, e.g. the workshop on micro-teaching (held by Prof. Lynn McAlpine). In 2016-2017, satisfaction with the workshop was high, with the great majority of those who participated finding the workshop a useful activity.
MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH WORKSHOPS

All Fellows have the opportunity to organize a day or half-day workshop or mini-conference involving other Fellows, possibly one or two external speakers, and often a number of EUI Faculty and researchers. They were positively evaluated by the Fellows; the majority considered the Multidisciplinary Research Workshops a relevant forum for enhancing multidisciplinary understanding.

ACADEMIC COMMUNICATION SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

The Academic Communications Skills (ACS) activities are designed to help Fellows refine the oral and written skills necessary for effective academic practice. They take three forms: workshops and short modules; facilitating of small groups of Fellows working towards similar goals; individual tutorials and coaching. As shown from the results of the survey, these activities are greatly appreciated by all Fellows.
Figure 7. Did you take advantage of the individual tutorials offered?

Figure 8. Did you use the text correction and/or language editing services?

Figure 9. Please rank the overall relevance of the Academic Communications Support Activities.
2. ACADEMIC PRACTICE GROUP REPORTS

ECO FELLOWS ACADEMIC PRACTICE GROUP

ECO Fellows are pleased with the opportunities provided by the Department of Economics and are very satisfied with the mentorship provided by the various faculty members.

Three of the ECO MW Fellows offered courses at the Department of Economics. Ran Eilat taught on topics in Mechanism Design, Maria Ines Berniell gave a course on Labour Economics and Lian Allub gave a course on Economics for non-economists: Macroeconomics. These were not only open to researchers from within the department but were also open to researchers from other departments at the EUI.

All Fellows were involved in at least one working group and most were involved in additional reading groups. Fellows also presented their work in progress in these groups and were grateful for the comments from both faculty members and researchers alike. They attended departmental seminars regularly and availed of the opportunities to meet and interact with guest speakers in the form of one-to-one meetings. The department runs a very successful visitors programme which allows Fellows to have intellectual interaction with these visitors. This, in addition to the weekly guest speakers, provides an excellent academic network, which is indispensable to the Fellows who are on the job market.

In addition to interacting with the ECO researchers during the working groups and reading groups, Fellows provided feedback at Second-Year Forums where ECO researchers in the second year of their PhD presented their work. Fellows also read the work of ECO researchers in their fourth year, provided feedback and acted as discussants in the Pre-Defence Forum.

Within the MWP, Fellows participated in the teaching exchange. An ECO writers group open to all Max Weber Fellows, with valuable input from Laurie Anderson, was organized by Francesco Molteni. Maria Ines Berniell also co-organised a multidisciplinary workshop on Studying Gender in the 21st Century where Fellows and faculty from the department presented their work. All Fellows also presented their work at one international conference at the very least, with most presenting at several. During the academic year, Fellows have also published their work in peer-reviewed journals and as book chapters.

HEC MW Fellows had the opportunity to take part in a number of academic activities this year, organized by the department or the Fellows themselves. These included teaching, conference and workshop organization and participation, as well as writing and job market practice.

Around half of the Fellows taught at least one seminar in the department. These were co-taught with mentors or other faculty members, and included research and training seminars, block seminars, and dissertation writing seminars. The arrangement to co-teach was much appreciated by the Fellows, and this is a practice that we would like to see continued and potentially extended. Fellows also acted as discussants and presented papers at conferences and workshops taking place in the department, and some co-organised workshops and conferences with departmental or external faculty members. Some Fellows participated and gave presentations in Working Groups organized by HEC researchers, which was a good opportunity to build links between postdocs and doctoral students.

On 12 October 2017 the department hosted a one-day workshop for Fellows to present their research to departmental faculty, Fellows and researchers. The workshop was coordinated by HEC MWP liaison professor, Ann Thomson. The departmental faculty was very well represented, and it is hoped that in the future more researchers will also be able to attend. The presentations and discussions were a good opportunity to learn about each other’s research and identify common research agendas. In December 2017 Professor Luca Molá hosted a dinner party for professors and MWFs.

MW Fellows had the opportunity to participate in job market training in the department. Professor Thomson organized mock interviews for several Fellows preparing for job talks. Additionally, some Fellows participated in mock interview panels preparing HEC researchers for the job market.

HEC Fellows set up a Writer’s Group to discuss work in progress. The group, coordinated by Laurie Anderson and Katalin Straner (HEC MW Fellows’ rep) met four times during the Academic Year. At the first two meetings we discussed discipline-specific cover letters and book proposals. At the third and fourth meetings, two Fellows had the opportunity to receive peer feedback on a draft article and chapter, and meetings were also a good forum to discuss historical writing on a deeper level.

Fellows were overall satisfied with their interaction with the department, but there are a number of ways to establish more links and a more intense engagement.
through more co-teaching, more opportunities to present Fellows’ work, and more faculty-postdoc-researcher collaborations. HEC Fellows felt well integrated into the department, though because of the number of MWP commitments and the distance from Villa Paola to Villa Salviati, we often found it difficult to participate in as many departmental events as we would have liked. The HEC Fellows would have liked even more occasions for academic interaction with the department, which would have allowed us to contribute to, and benefit from, the work of the department even more.

**LAW FELLOWS ACADEMIC PRACTICE GROUP**

The Max Weber Fellows at the Law Department were represented by David Lebow. They participated in several activities in the departments and were active in a number of Multidisciplinary Research Workshops (see relevant section) and in the organizing committee of the MW Fellows June Conference.

The MWP-LAW Fellows 2016-17 were: Shreya Atrey, Maria Adele Carrai, Phillip Niklot Hacker, Katarzyna Maria Kryla-Kudna, Damjan Kukovec, David Lebow, Clara Rauchegger, Evangelia (Lilia) Tsourdi, Henrietta Zeffert.

**RSC FELLOWS’ ACADEMIC PRACTICE GROUP**

This year, the Robert Schumann Centre for Advanced Studies (RSC) broadened its academic community and intensified its activities. Following last year’s experience, it hosted Max Weber Fellows alongside Jean Monnet, Marie Sklodowska-Curie, EU and other visiting fellows. The list of Fellows – some of them 2nd year – can be found below. They came from a variety of social science disciplines, including economics, history, political science, sociology and Anthropology.

RSC-MW Fellows are members of both the RSC and our respective departments, which allows us to interact with people from different academic environments, and to take part in a variety of activities, including workshops, seminars and training sessions. Such a high-level inter-disciplinarity makes the experience of RSC-MW Fellows distinct from that of other MW Fellows. We have also been provided with a new base at Villa Schifanoia, replacing former RSC-MW Fellows offices in Villa La Fonte and the Convento – so we are located separately from our MW colleagues, who are based in Villa Paola. Participating in the activities of the RSC proved a particularly stimulating experience. The Centre engaged in major international events, including a conference on migration in Rome (19 May), co-organised with the Istituto Affari Internazionali, and a three-day training on Global Risk Analysis at the EUI (19-21 June). Moreover, the RSC launched a new research group, Middle East Directions (MED), under the direction of Ambassador Luigi Narbone, with Prof. Olivier Roy as permanent scientific advisor.
The MED group is a multi-disciplinary team of researchers working in close partnership with scholars and research institutions throughout the Middle East and North African (MENA) region. Our goal is to share perspectives and broaden research networks while contributing to European policy debates, combining the social and political sciences, economics, law and history, through a multi-disciplinary and empirical-based approach conducted on the ground. The programme’s ambition is to stimulate new approaches and policy responses to the challenges facing the MENA region.

The traditional RSC research groups were also confirmed and each of them organised a final conference and a summer school in July:

- FSR Energy Law Summer School, 25 - 31 May 2017
- CMPF Summer School for Journalists and Media Practitioners, 5 - 9 June 2017
- Summer School on the Regulation of Energy Utilities, 26 - 30 June 2017
- XIII Migration Summer School Thinking Beyond the Crisis, 26 June - 07 July 2017
- MED Summer School, Conflicts in the Middle East: Formulating New Responses to Crises, 5 - 8 July 2017.

Of course, being a member of the RSC came with additional commitments, both formal and informal. We were encouraged to actively participate in the intellectual life of the groups, including the aforementioned activities. Overall, our experience as RSC-MW Fellows has been very positive. We enjoyed the activities offered by the MWP, even though they sometimes overlapped with the rich agenda of the Centre. Our affiliation with the departments was generally looser than that of other Fellows, but the relationships with our mentors at the RSC were very positive. In addition, we enjoyed the informal encounters and conversations at the RSC, not least the lunches on the beautiful terrace at Villa Schifanoia, followed by coffee and often accompanied by animated debate about current social, economic and political developments, which made the RSC atmosphere unique. Overall, we felt that the past year has strongly contributed to us growing as scholars.

RSC Max Weber Fellows 2016-17 were:
Johann Robert Basedow, Silvia Calò, Matteo Faini, Tine Gade, Alexander Katsaitis, Mauro Lanati, Sophie Lemiere, Stefano Marcuzzi, Laura Seelkopf, Gary Winslett.

SPS FELLOWS’ ACADEMIC PRACTICE GROUP
As SPS representatives, we (Nevena Kulic and Steven Klein) organized a variety of activities for SPS Fellows, liaised with the department, and participated in the Max Weber Programme review process for the 2013-2016 report. One of our overall goals this year was to try to improve the integration of SPS Fellows into the life of the department, and we feel this is an area where continued progress could be achieved.
3. THEMATIC RESEARCH GROUP REPORTS

CITIZENSHIP AND MIGRATION

The Citizenship and Migration TRG met on a regular basis throughout the year, and all participants had the opportunity to present their work and receive peer-to-peer feedback on it. The leader of the group, Anna Triandafyllidou, also provided feedback on presentations, guided discussions, and organized sessions. The fall semester consisted of participants reading Anna’s most recent writing on the current migration crisis and listening to her presentation on the topic, while Fellows took the stage starting on January 31 with their own presentations, which took up about an hour each, including Q&A. Anna did a great job of involving Fellows during Rhacel Parrenas’ March 22 Max Weber lecture (Rigo), interview (Tsourdi, Bonazza), and dinner. This talk was the highlight of the TRG as it provided a venue to discuss and engage with empirical work and discuss current political issues in an informal setting, along with Richard Bellamy and others.

Nonetheless, there was a high degree of dissatisfaction with the overall achievements of this TRG, both among the Fellows and the convener of this research group. Consensus emerged among Fellows that (i) having had the possibility to organize their own research groups at the beginning of the year would have served their interests better than this ad hoc venue. Alternatively, (ii) Fellows could have been given stakes in this TRG by being given the possibility to select speakers, readings, and establish the schedule. Convener and participants also expressed the view that this TRG’s evaluations should be placed within the context of the MWP’s broader evaluation. A (iii) clear output of this TRG, such as designing the syllabus of a multi-method course on migration, would also have helped. If the theme of this TRG is continued (iv), merging it with the RSC forum on migration would be welcome, as travel for conferences and the absence of members made this TRG far too small for sparkling discussions. All in all, a self-organized research group, such as the informal Evolution of Capitalism reading group that attracted Fellows from all fields during the year, would likely have garnered more attention and interest. Such a self-organized TRG could have profited from faculty involvement, including that of Anna Triandafyllidou, who has proven to be a great presenter, an engaged participant in discussions, and a caring mentor.
EUROPE IN THE WORLD: FOREIGN RELATIONS, INTERNATIONAL SECURITY, WORLD POLITICS

This year, the Thematic Research Group, Europe in the World, was organized by Ulrich Krotz (Professor of International Relations), Federico Romero (Professor of History of Post-War European Cooperation and Integration), and Richard Maher (Research Fellow in the Robert Schuman Centre). The Group featured a variety of research seminars on international relations and security in and beyond Europe. The Group members included not only Max Weber Fellows but also PhD researchers and (visiting) professors and policymakers. This diversity made a significant contribution to the Group, allowing various perspectives and knowledge to be shared among participants.

The Group hosted ten research seminars this year. On 20 October 2016, Douglas Webber (Robert Schuman Fellow and Professor of Political Science at INSEAD) kicked off this year’s Group activities with his talk, ‘European Disintegration? The Politics of the EU’s Crises.’ Matteo Faini (Max Weber Fellow in the Robert Schuman Centre) was the first Max Weber Fellow to give a presentation in the Group this academic year with the presentation, ‘Friendly Spies? International Institutions and Intelligence Cooperation,’ delivered on 17 November 2016. On 1 December 2016, Eva-Maria Muschik (Max Weber Fellow in the Department of History and Civilization) presented her research, ‘How to Build a State? The United Nations in Libya and Somaliland in the 1950s.’ Two weeks later (15 December 2016), the Group hosted Ngaire Woods (Dean of the Blavatnik School of Government and Professor of Global Economic Governance at the University of Oxford), who gave a research seminar titled ‘Is Better Global Governance Possible?’


DIVERSITY AND UNITY: GOVERNANCE, CONSTITUTIONALISM AND DEMOCRACY

The Thematic Research Group, Diversity and Unity: Governance, Constitutionalism and Democracy, brought together Max Weber Fellows from the core disciplines of the EUI – namely political and social science, economics, law and history. The participants were Shreya Atrey (LAW), Johann Robert Basedow (RSC), Richard Bellamy (MWP), Maria Adele Carrai (LAW), Amuitz Garmendia Madariaga (SPS), Stefan Grundman (LAW), Alexander Katzaitis (RSC), Katarzyna Kryla-Cudna (LAW), Sophie Lemière (RSC), Andrej Milivojevic (HEC), Clara Rauchegger (LAW), Stefanie Reher (SPS) and Line Rennwald (SPS). The group met six times to discuss a broad range of topics related to questions of governance in complex domestic, regional and global settings. The group members presented papers on topics ranging from damages of non-pecuniary loss under contract law, intersectionality in EU discrimination law and jurisprudence, intersections of European and constitutional law to liberal reform movements in former Yugoslavia, EU competition and monetary law and EU international investment policy. Presentations were followed by detailed comments from discussants and group discussions. Discussions allowed for exchanges and reactions across disciplines. The Thematic Research Group hosted Kalypso Nicolaidis’s (Oxford) master class. Professor Nicolaidis discussed her work on Brexit and democracy with the Fellows.

INEQUALITY AND EFFICIENCY IN EDUCATION AND LABOUR MARKETS (IEELM)

This year the IEELM thematic group brought together economists and sociologists. As in the previous academic year, two faculty mentors were involved in the group (Fabrizio Bernardi and Andrea Ichino). The following Max Weber Fellows represented the main group of postdoctoral Fellows involved: Ines Berniell and Maxim Goryunov (ECO) and Pablo Gracia and Nevena Kulic (SPS). This was a smaller group than in the previous academic year, which had included a total of nine Fellows. However, the group had the occasional involvement of current or former Fellows who, despite being linked to other thematic groups, attended some of the meetings or presented in some of the sessions associated with the IEELM: Paul Bauer,
Vera Scepanovic, and Line Rennwald (SPS), Seetha Menon and Yu Zheng (ECO).

The main IEELM members gave two presentations, both of which took place in the first trimester of the academic year. Ines Berniell presented the paper ‘Do Parents Make Up for Bad Education?’, at the end of September. Nevena Kulic presented her paper ‘Accumulation of (dis) advantage within households: the role of money management practices in financial well-being of Swiss couples’ in October 2016. Additional presentations by people associated with the group included Paul Bauer’s ‘The Visual Display of Causal Relationships’, in November, and, finally Seetha Menon’s ‘Assets at marriage and domestic violence in India’. Maxim Goryunov did not present this year, but will have the chance to do so during the academic year 2017-2018. Pablo Gracia did not present this year, but did so in 2016-2017.

This year, given the low number of Fellows integrated into the IEELM group and the relative uniformity of disciplines (SPS and ECO), the presentations were split into two groups: Microeconometrics Working Group (economics) and Inequality Working Group (sociology). The idea behind this was that instead of having people presenting in the IEELM and then (again) in front of an audience of people from one’s discipline (something that happened the previous year), we could maximize time and the probability of getting an audience by merging the IEELM group with the specific seminar (either Microeconometrics or Inequality).

There are both positive and negative lessons that can be drawn from this new initiative. Positive outputs are visible in the fact that it was more time efficient and reached a more targeted audience. Yet, it is true that there are also some problems related to the initiative. Perhaps because we had very few (core) IEELM members and because the IEELM group was less institutionalized and more fragmented – in two groups – this year, there was less chance of a to establish interdisciplinary debate and group identity.

Fellows had the chance to attend all the presentations (all IEELM Fellows received the emails from the Microeconometrics Working Group and Inequality Working Group, after having been asked to register on the two mailing lists). For most presentations (and in all the presentations of the core members) a reminder was sent to the members of the IEELM. The structure of the thematic group was quite homogenous, even if there were disciplinary differences in style between economics and sociology. This was a research-oriented seminar. The meetings gave the opportunity to each Fellow to present their work in progress and get feedback from a mixed and engaged audience.

Last year there were some suggestions made that were successfully met this academic year:

- People had the opportunity to change groups or to be integrated into the IEELM with a certain flexibility, even in the case of formal involvement in another group.
- Methodologically and empirically we were quite a homogenous group, despite having different substantive and discipline-oriented approaches.
- Differences across disciplines (perhaps because of a more homogenous group of researchers) did not lead to essential misunderstandings on the scientific approach.

Some questions for next year's IEELM group have arisen, including:

- Do we need a discussant? (last year there was a discussant and it worked well; this year we could have included the same structure, even if this implies changing the rules of the seminars of the specific disciplines)
- Should we thoroughly and explicitly introduce our methodological and epistemological approach in advance? (or is this necessary only when the group has visible methodological differences, as was the case last year, but not this year)
- How can we merge group identity (having IEELM seminars) without interfering much in the disciplinary working groups? Is this possible? What shall we do next year?
- Shall we have specific IEELM seminars (for a more general audience) or, rather, continue with the idea of separation by discipline? Does this depend on the characteristics of the group in terms of composition, or the philosophy of the thematic group?
- Do we want to leave room to discuss ideas and not only to present (almost finished) papers? Shall we open up this possibility next year?

LEGAL, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL THEORY: HISTORICAL AND CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES

This thematic group was led by Richard Bellamy, Nehal Bhuta and Ann Thomson. Eleven Max Weber Fellows from three departments were members of the group at the start of the year: from HEC, Alexandra Chadwick, Veronika Pehe and Katalin Straner; from Law, Philipp Hacker, Damjan Kukovec, David Lebow and Henrietta Zeffert; and from SPS, Lior Erez, Christine Hobden, Steven Klein and Andrei Poama. In addition to an introductory session in September, six meetings were held between October and June. Two masterclasses, in November and April, were associated with the group.
At each meeting two pre-circulated papers were discussed for an hour each. These papers were either journal articles or book chapters being prepared for publication. On some occasions, respondents were allocated in advance to start off the discussion. The first two papers presented were from two of the leaders of the group, Prof. Bellamy and Prof. Bhuta. In the remaining five sessions, nine MWFs and one researcher presented their work. The papers discussed were very diverse, both in terms of methodology and subject matter.

Members of the group reported that they had found the comments received during the discussion of their paper useful. However, there was a general feeling that the interdisciplinary nature of the group was not exploited to its full potential. Often – though it should be stressed, not always – discussion of a paper was limited to people from the same or a closely related discipline, with other group members feeling that they lacked the specialist knowledge to contribute usefully. Fellows have a number of suggestions for improving this situation in future years. These fall broadly into two categories; the first concerns creating an environment more conducive to interdisciplinary dialogue, and the second for a more radical rethink of the format of the thematic group sessions.

Regarding the former, it was suggested that more could be done at the beginning of the year to establish the purpose of this thematic group, and clarify what is expected from an interdisciplinary discussion. It became apparent that participants did not feel comfortable raising comments or asking questions at a more general conceptual level, yet these are just the kinds of questions which an interdisciplinary forum can fruitfully explore. The second set of suggestions for improving the thematic group is based upon the view that the discussion of draft papers is not the best format for engagement with non-specialists. One alternative proposed is to use the group as an exercise in practicing ‘public engagement’, with presenters thinking more about how to communicate their research to a wider audience, rather than workingshopping draft papers. Another suggestion raised, is to organise the group around the discussion of a concept chosen by group members; each participant would then produce a short piece engaging with this concept from the perspective of their own work. Nevertheless, it should be noted that other members did find the current format of the thematic group a useful opportunity to discover more about research in other fields, and to get feedback on their work from colleagues who would not otherwise have read it.

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

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

Members: Lian Allub (ECO), Silvia Calò (RSC), Anna Chadwick (LAW), Francesco Molteni (ECO), Vera Scepanovic (SPS). In addition to the Fellows, scholars and researchers joined the group on a regular basis, among them: Benedicta Marzinotto, Giandomenico Piluso.

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

After an introductory session on October 18th, 2016, the Thematic Research Group met on four more occasions during the academic year 2016-2017, as follows:

- 13 December 2016: Anna Chadwick presented her paper Regulating Excessive Speculation: The Global Food Crisis and [T]urning the page on an era of irresponsibility?
- 15 February 2017: Masterclass with Professor Berry Eichengreen (University of California, Berkeley)
- 15 February 2017: Max Weber Lecture, Professor Barry Eichengreen Minimal conditions for the survival of the Euro, Chair: Francesco Molteni (ECO), Introduction: Youssef Cassis (HEC Professor)

In addition to the regular meetings of the thematic research group, MW Fellows Anna Chadwick (LAW) and Marta Musso (HEC) interviewed Prof. Barry Eichengreen for the Max Weber Interview Series. Unfortunately, some TPS events had to be cancelled owing to unforeseen circumstances.
Max Weber Programme Academic Career Observatory (ACO)

The Academic Careers Observatory (ACO) is an initiative of the Max Weber Programme. The ACO facilitates the diffusion of knowledge among young researchers about academic careers and research opportunities in the social sciences and humanities, throughout Europe and beyond. Career planning for PhD candidates and postdoctoral fellows can be easy in one's own country of reference, but often proves more challenging when trying to take advantage of the international job market.

The ACO provides information on academic careers by country, discipline and theme, and links to research opportunities in Europe, job platforms and a list of funding opportunities from postdoctoral to professorial level.

ACO CONFERENCE

On 8th February, ACO organised a conference on National and European Research Funding Opportunities in the Social Sciences for Young Researchers. The main purpose of this conference was to provide the Fellows with some useful insights into European funding opportunities aimed directly at early-career scholars. Representatives from both European and national agencies provided an overview of the available research and funding schemes for young and mid-career scholars in the Social Sciences and Humanities. The conference, which hosted representatives from the European Research Council and European Executive Agency, was divided into two panels (European agencies first, and national agencies second) and covered funding opportunities available, not in Europe and North America. ACO hosted delegates from the Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland, Denmark, Germany, Austria, the UK and the US.

The third part of the conference focused on top tips for grant-writing. Jacob Leveridge, from UCL, shared with the audience some practical tips to successfully apply for research funding.

On 6th April ACO gave a presentation to the annual British Society for the History of Science Postgraduate Conference (workshop: 'Institutions and funding across Europe and beyond'). In addition, on 3rd May 2017, ACO participated in the conference 'Careers in the academic and non-academic job markets in Europe: learning from EUI alumni', organised by the Academic Service, with a contribution from the EUI Alumni Association.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

In 2017-2018, ACO intends to develop its function as a job resource platform. It will continue with its regular webpage updates in order to keep its audience informed about academic careers and research opportunities in Europe and beyond. ACO will organise its annual conference on research funding opportunities on the 31st January 2018 and will strengthen its relations with the EUI Academic Service on activities related to Academic and Professional Development.

Max Weber Fellows attending the ACO Conference
Max Weber Programme
Steering Committee and Team

MAX WEBER PROGRAMME STEERING COMMITTEE 2016-2017
Renaud Dehousse – President of the EUI
Richard Bellamy – Director of the Max Weber Programme
Brigid Laffan – Director of the Robert Schuman Centre
Klarita Gërxhani – SPS Professor
Ann Thomson – HEC Professor
Piero Gottardi – ECO Professor
Stefan Grundmann – LAW Professor
Veerle Deckmyn – Academic Service
Tine Gade – MW Fellow 2016-2017
Karin Tilmans – Academic Coordinator, Max Weber Programme

MAX WEBER PROGRAMME TEAM 2016-2017
Richard Bellamy, Director of the Max Weber Programme
Karin Tilmans, Academic Programme Coordinator
Ognjen Aleksic, Administrative Assistant
Valeria Pizzini Gambetta, Communications and Social Media Coordinator
Francesca Grassini, Academic Assistant, MWP Academic Careers Observatory
Alyson Price, Language Revision and Publishing (Working Papers)
Laurie Anderson, Academic Communication Skills Coordinator
Fiona Wong, Trainee

The Programme also draws on the expertise and collaboration of Nicky Otrawn and Nicki Hargreaves, EUI Language Centre.
Max Weber Fellows 2016-2017
LIAN ALLUB (ARGENTINIAN)
Departmental affiliation: Economics
Mentor: Ramon Marimon

Lian received his PhD from Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain, in September 2014. His main research interests are in quantitative macroeconomics, growth and development, and international trade. From September 2017 Lian will be an external consultant for CAF, Latin American Development Bank, and from January 2018, Lian will join the research department at the same institution.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Constrained Efficient Entrepreneurship’ MWP/WP/RNS_2017/38

CONFERENCES/SEMINAR/WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS
EUI Economics Department, Florence, September 2016
41st Spanish Economic Association Simposio, Bilbao, December 2016
CIDE, Mexico DF, January 2017
University of Essex, Colchester, January 2017
Universidad Autonoma de Barcelona, Barcelona, January 2017
Universidad de Alicante, Alicante, January 2017
La Caixa Bank, Barcelona, 2017
Trinity College Dublin, Dublin, February 2017
CAF Latin American Development Bank, Buenos Aires, February 2017
Theory and Methods in Macroeconomics, Lisboa, March 2017
XI Max Weber Conference, Florence, June 2017
SHREYA ATREY (INDIAN)

Departmental affiliation: Law
Mentor: Claire Kilpatrick

Shreya was a Max Weber Fellow at the European University Institute, Italy in 2016-17. She was previously the Hauser Global Postdoctoral Fellow at the NYU School of Law, USA in 2015-16. She obtained her DPhil from Magdalen College, University of Oxford on a Rhodes Scholarship. She works on discrimination law, intersectionality, social rights and disability law. Shreya will be a lecturer at the Bristol Law School, UK from 2017.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘The Theory: Outlining the Intersectional Framework’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/24

CONFERENCES
‘Poverty: An Intersectional Castaway in Discrimination Law’ presented at the Social Inclusion and Poverty Eradication Workshop organised by the Comparative Research Programme on Poverty (Bergen), Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies and the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard University, USA, 17-18 November 2016.
‘Speaking Truth about Intersectional Suffering to Human Rights’ presented at the Interaction between Human Rights: 50 years of the Covenants, INTRAlaw Human Rights Colloquium organised by ESIL and ASIL at the Department of Law, Aarhus University, Denmark, 29-30 September 2016.
‘Fifty Years On: The Curious Case of Intersectional Discrimination in ICCPR’ presented at the Association of Human Rights Institutes (AHRI) Conference, organised by the Netherlands Institute of Human Rights (SIM), Utrecht University, 1-3 September 2016.

PUBLISHED WORK
‘Indian Supreme Court and the Implementation of the UNCRPD’ in Anna Lawson and Lisa Waddington (eds), Domestic Interpretation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities: A Comparative Analysis (Oxford University Press 2018) [forthcoming].
Shreya has also completed two other manuscripts of journal articles and a case note, which are currently under review. She has completed her book proposal and sample chapter, submitted to OUP for consideration in July 2017.
JOHANN ROBERT BASEDOW (GERMAN)

Departmental affiliation: Robert Schuman Centre
Mentor: Bernard Hoekman

Robert starts as an assistant professor in international political economy at the European Institute of the London School of Economics.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

‘Business preferences in international investment policymaking. Does European business lobby for international investment agreements?’ MWP/WP 2017/06

PUBLICATIONS


CONFERENCES

‘Is there need for a Multilateral Investment Agreement?’, June 2017, World Trade Institute, Bern.

TEACHING

PAUL C. BAUER (GERMAN)

Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Sciences
Mentor: Diego Gambetta

In July 2017, Paul C. Bauer starts work as a postdoctoral fellow at the Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES). Prior to the Max Weber Fellowship, he completed a PhD in Political Science at the University of Berne, Switzerland. Before that he obtained MA degrees from the University of Konstanz and the Universitat de Pompeu Fabra. His areas of interest include political sociology – trust, public opinion, values and polarization – and research methods – measurement, statistics, causal inference and data visualization. He is now working on a set of projects that cover different areas of these.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

‘Visualizing Causal Scenarios [interactively]’, MWP/WP/RNS 2017/16

PUBLICATIONS


PRESENTATIONS

Paul Bauer presented different projects at various conferences throughout the year, such as the conference of the European Political Science Association 2017 (Milano), the conference of the European Consortium of Political Research 2016 (Prague), the conference of the Midwestern Political Science Associations 2017 (Chicago).

WORKSHOP

Paul C. Bauer co-organized several workshops such as ‘Survey Experiments’ by Thomas Leeper (January 2016) and ‘Bayesian Statistics’ by Johan Elkink (June 2017).
INÉS BERNIELL (SPANISH)

Departmental affiliation: Economics
Mentor: Andrea Ichino

Inés received her PhD from CEMFI (Spain) in December 2015. She is an empirical microeconomist with prime interests in Labor Economics and the Economics of Education. Before starting her PhD she worked at the World Bank in the Development Research Group and in the office of the World Development Report. She was a Max Weber Fellow from 2015 to 2017, and in September of 2017 she will join the Department of Economics at the University of La Plata (Argentina), where she will be an Assistant Professor and an Associate Fellow to CEDLAS (Center for Distributive, Labor and Social Studies).

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

PUBLICATION
‘The Effect of Working Hours on Health’ IZA Discussion Paper No. 10524, 2017

PRESENTATIONS
Over the academic year Inés presented her work at the Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (EIEF); the University of Konstanz; HEC Montréal; University of Manchester; Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona; Bank of Spain; University of Alicante; Universidad Nacional de La Plata; University of Southern Denmark; EUI Microeconometrics Working Group; the 11th Max Weber Fellows June Conference, and at the MWF Workshop ‘Persistent Inequalities: Studying Gender in the 21st Century’.

TEACHING
In spring 2017 Inés taught a PhD level course in Labour Economics at the Department of Economics of the European University Institute.
GIULIA BONAZZA (ITALIAN)
Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Lucy Riall

In her dissertation Giulia analysed forms of slavery – in Palermo, Caserta, Naples, Rome, Livorno and Genoa – and the connections between the Anglo-French and the Italian abolitionist debates. Her contribution is focused on the contradiction between an abolitionist debate against the Atlantic slave trade and the persistence of cases of slavery in Italian cities. She focuses on 18th and 19th century slavery studies, as well as the history of minority groups, the Haitian Revolution and the French Revolution. She has received a scholarship from the École Française de Rome and is a member of EHESS-Mondes Américains. Giulia has made various applications is waiting to hear back.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Connecting the Mediterranean and the Atlantic: forms of slavery in Naples and Rome (1750-1850),’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/12

ARTICLES

EDITED BOOK

WORK IN PROGRESS
Monograph Abolitionism and the Persistence of slavery in Italian States (1750-1850) in peer review process with Palgrave Macmillan.

PRESENTATIONS
2017 University of Bremen (Germany) ‘Different forms of bondage in the Mediterranean: the Italian case (1750-1850),’ Negotiating Status and Scope of Action – Interrelations between Slavery and Other Forms of Dependency in Early Modern Europe, University of Bremen ERC Project, organized by Rebekka von Mallinckrodt, 15-17 June.
2016 Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici, Rome (Italy). ‘Essere schiavi. Il dibattito abolizionista e le persistenze della schiavitù negli Stati Italiani preunitari (1750-1850),’ Seminario di storia economica e sociale ISIMC. (December, 2016).
2016 International Institute of Social History Amsterdam (Netherlands). ‘Degrees (or Moments) of Coercion,’ workshop, Free and Unfree Labour (September, 2016).

EUI ACTIVITIES
Paper presentation in the working group Citizenship and Migration, September/October presentation and June Conference.

TEACHING
Assistant professor to Lucy Riall and Regina Grafe in the Global History seminar for PhD students (HEC).
SILVIA CALÒ (ITALIAN)

Departmental affiliation: Robert Schuman Centre
Mentor: Richard Portes

Silvia was awarded her PhD in Economics by Trinity College Dublin in June 2013. Her research fields are international macroeconomics and fiscal policy in open economies, with a particular interest in fiscal integration and devolution. She joined the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies as a Max Weber Fellow with a project on the macroeconomic effects of fiscal devolution and the impact of European Structural Funds.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Fiscal Policy and Trading Partners’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/33

SEMINAR AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS
September presentation, Max Weber Programme.
Simposio de la Asociacion Espanola de Economia (SAEe), Bilbao, December 2016.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS
**MARIA ADELE CARRAI (ITALIAN)**

Departmental affiliation: Law  
Mentor: Nehal Bhuta

Maria Adele Carrai is a postdoctoral fellow at the Princeton-Harvard China and the World Program and recipient of a FWO INCOMING [PEGASUS]² Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellowship at KU Leuven, where she is senior researcher at the Centre of Global Governance Studies. Her research focuses on China’s legal history and how it affects China’s foreign policy. In particular, she will be looking at China as a normative actor and its impact on the international economic and legal order, with a particular focus on the One Belt One Road policy and its effects on global governance.

**ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP**

**MWP WORKING PAPER**

‘It is not the end of History: The Financing Institutions of the Belt and Road Initiative and the Bretton Woods System.’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/12

**SELECTION OF PUBLICATIONS**


‘Current Chinese approaches to a global history of international law,’ in *Storica* 64, XXII (2016).


**PRESENTATIONS**


‘A History of International Law and China’s Search for a Modernity of its own’ Presented at the conference From European to Global Orders: International Law and Normativity in Context, Vienna University, Vienna (11/2016).

SINEM CASALE (TURKISH)
Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Luca Mola

Sinem will be returning to her position as Assistant Professor of Islamic Art at the University of Minnesota in September 2017. This is a tenure track position. She completed BA degrees in at Koc University in Istanbul in Sociology and History. Her PhD is from the University of Minnesota's Department of Art History. She previously taught at McGill University.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

A SELECTION OF WORK OVER THE YEAR
‘Who is the King of the World?’ Museum of Islamic Art, Doha, Qatar, May 2017 (Invited lecture in conjunction with the exhibition ‘Imperial Threads: motifs and artisans from Turkey, Iran and India,’ March-November 2017).
ALEXANDRA CHADWICK (BRITISH)

Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Ann Thomson

Alexandra is a historian of philosophy with a particular interest in the relationship between psychology and moral and political thought in the early modern period. Her doctoral thesis, defended in September 2016, examined Thomas Hobbes's materialist model of the mind and its implications for his ethics and politics. In September 2017 she will begin a three-year postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of the History of Philosophy at the University of Groningen.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

PUBLICATIONS
Peer-reviewed chapter in edited collection.

CONFERENCES/PRESENTATIONS
ANNA CHADWICK (BRITISH)

Departmental affiliation: Law
Mentor: Stefan Grundmann

Anna studied for her Masters Degree at King’s College London where she specialised in Public International Law and Human Rights Law. After a year working for the human rights charity, Reprieve, she went on to pursue doctoral studies. She was awarded her PhD by the London School of Economics and Political Science in November 2015 for her thesis ‘Food Commodity Speculation, Hunger, and the Global Food Crisis: Whither Regulation’. She joined the Max Weber Programme in September 2015, and was granted a second funded year on the Fellowship Programme for 2016-17. In September 2017 she joins the Law Faculty at the University of Glasgow as a Lord Kelvin Adam Smith Research Fellow, where she will begin a new research project exploring the connections between law and political economy.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

Anna was the co-organiser of a Max Weber workshop on the Political Economy of Regulation in May 2016. She gave papers at the ICON conference in Berlin in July 2016, and at the Law and Society Association’s Annual Conference in New Orleans in June 2016, and in Mexico City in June 2017. Anna completed the Max Weber Teaching Certificate in the first year of her Max Weber Fellowship, which culminated in a teaching practice week at Universita Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona. In April 2017 she was a co-course co-ordinator and lecturer on the Food, Law, and Finance Masters at International University College, Turin. Anna also participated in a number of events run by the Max Weber Programme in the second year of her Fellowship. She interviewed Barry Eichengreen as part of the Max Weber Lecture series, and was invited to give a talk at the Law Department for the conference for the leaving of Professor Dennis Patterson.

MWP WORKING PAPER

‘World Hunger, the “Global” Food Crisis, and (International) Law’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/18.

A SELECTION OF WORKS OVER THE YEAR


Law and the Political Economy of World Hunger. Book manuscript. (Under review at Oxford University Press).
RAN EILAT (ISRAELI)

Departmental affiliation: Economics
Mentor: Piero Gottardi

Ran Eilat is a microeconomic theorist with research interests that lie mainly in the fields of game theory and decision theory. In particular he is interested in information economics, mechanism design and the theory of incentives. He obtained his PhD degree in Economics from Tel-Aviv University. In September 2017 he will join the Department of Economics in Ben-Gurion University of the Negev in Israel as an assistant professor.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
'Mechanism Design and (Im)Precise Information' MWP/WP/RNS 2017/35

A SELECTION OF WORKS OVER THE YEAR
'Mechanism Design and (Im)Precise Information', working paper.
'The Economics of Privacy', work in progress.
'Sequential Information Gathering with Imperfect Recall', work in progress
'Mediation and Bilateral Trade', working paper.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES
Taught a PhD level course at the Department of Economics, presented his work in a seminar in the department, regularly participated in several seminars and working groups, wrote referee reports, and other activities.
LIOR EREZ (ISRAELI)

Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Sciences
Mentor: Rainer Bauböck and Richard Bellamy

Lior holds a PhD in Political Theory from University College London (2015). In his PhD thesis ‘Motivating Cosmopolitanism: a Political Critique,’ he developed a novel argument about the role of motivational constraints in liberal cosmopolitan theory. He also holds an MPhil degree in Political Thought and Intellectual History from the University of Cambridge (2011). Lior previously was a teaching associate in Ethics and World Politics at the Department of Politics and International Studies at the University of Cambridge. In 2017-2018, he will be a fellow at the Edmond J Safra Center for Ethics at Tel Aviv University (Israel).

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Liberal Nationalism and Dual National Identity: A Critical Comment on David Miller’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/07

ACTIVITIES
Legal, Social and Political Theory Thematic Group (presenter and discussant).
Political Theory Colloquium (discussant).
European Hobbes Society Workshop (discussant).
Citizens, Democracy and Global Responsibilities Workshop (co-organiser and discussant).
Book Discussion, Prof. Chaim Gans (organiser and discussant).
Interviewed Max Weber Lecturer, Prof. Max Philp (with Steven Klein).

WORK PUBLISHED / ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
Max Weber Conference, EUI, 8 June 2017.
‘Cosmopolitan Patriotism as a Civic Ideal’ (with Cécile Laborde).

ACADEMIC SERVICE
Editorial Assistant, European Journal of Political Theory.
MATTEO FOSCHI (ITALIAN)

Departmental affiliation: Economics
Mentor: Andrea Mattozzi

Matteo received his PhD from the University of Leicester in 2016 with a thesis on the effects of behavioural biases on contract theory. In 2015/2016 he was also a Junior Fellow of the Royal Economic Society. He will be at the MWP in 2017-2018. Matteo’s work focuses on studying how the results of classical economics are affected by the presence of individuals who suffer from behavioural biases, such as naïveté, temptation and self-control, for example. His current research is aimed at understanding the implications of overconfidence in contracting.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Contracting with Type-Dependent Naïveté’ MWP/WP 2017/04

A SELECTION OF WORK OVER THE YEAR
Matteo presented at the Royal Economic Society 2017 in Bristol, UK. He was an invited speaker in the seminar series at the University of Warwick, Department of Economics.
TINE GADE (NORWEGIAN)

Departmental affiliation: Robert Schuman Centre
Mentor: Olivier Roy

Tine will be a second year MWF in 2017-2018.
Tine has also obtained a three-year grant from the Norwegian Research Council’s independent grant competition (FRIPRO) scheme for the project: ‘Hybrid pathways to resistance in the Islamic world: a study of Islamist groups in Lebanon, Iraq, Mali and Libya’. She wrote and submitted the project in May 2016 and will serve as the project co-ordinator. This is a joint NUPI-EUI grant, involving researchers in five countries, to begin at the end of 2017.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

‘The Mosul campaign: Winning the war, losing the peace?’, MWP/WP/RNS 2017/21

PUBLICATIONS IN THE FELLOWSHIP PERIOD (SELECTION)


‘The Mosul campaign: Winning the war, losing the peace?’, Middle East Directions, Policy Paper, 14, July 2017.


FORTHCOMING


ACADEMIC CONFERENCES (SELECTION)

MWP multidisciplinary workshops:


Paper at a workshop on the study of civil wars, EUI, June 2017.

Organized day one of the Middle East Directions annual conference (with O. Roy; July 2017).

Organized and animated day one of the Middle East Directions-School of Transnational Governance summer school (July 2017).

Organized (and presented in) the panel ‘Contentious politics in the Middle East: A channel of public opinion or regime tool?’, ECPR general conference, Oslo (September 2017).

FIELDTRIPS

Kurdish region of Iraq, October 2016; Lebanon, October 2016, August 2017.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Representative of the RSC to the MWP on the Academic Council.
IOANNIS GALARIOTIS (GREEK)
Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Sciences
Mentor: Ulrich Krotz

Ioannis Galariotis will join the Department of International and European Economic Studies at Athens University of Economics and Business as a senior research fellow from September 2017. He will be part of the Jean Monnet Network Project on the relations between the European Union and the United Nations (www.eun-neteu). He will also be a part-time Jean Monnet Module Lecturer at the Department of Sociology, University of the Aegean. His main research interests focus on EU external relations, international organizations and security and political methodology (statistics and computational social sciences).

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Xenophobic Manifestations, Otherness and Violence in Greece 1996-2016: Evidence from an Event Analysis of Media Collections’ (with V.Georgiadou, A.Kafe and Z.Lialiouti) MWP/WP 2017/08
‘Factors and Parameters of the EU Performance in International Organisations: A Theoretical Framework’ (with M.Gianniou & I.Iakovidis) MWP/WP 2017/03
The Syrian Imbroglio: International and Regional Strategies (with Kostas Ifantis), European University Institute, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (June 2017).

WORKSHOP

JOURNAL ARTICLES (PEER-REVIEWED)

BOOK CHAPTER
Amuitz Garmendia Madariaga (Spanish)

Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Sciences (SPS)
Mentor: Stefano Bartolini

Amuitz Garmendia Madariaga is joining the Department of Social Sciences at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid as an Assistant Professor in September 2017. She received her PhD in Political Science at Binghamton University (SUNY) co-funded by the US-Spain Fulbright Commission. Her research interest is in federal political economy, with a main focus on regional level institutional design variation in federations and its effects on party politics and political behaviour. So far, her work has appeared or is forthcoming in Electoral Studies, European Union Politics and West European Politics.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

ARTICLES
Forthcoming. ‘Passing the buck? Responsibility attribution and cognitive bias in multilevel democracies’ (with Sandra León and Ignacio Jurado). West European Politics.

CONFERENCE/SEMINAR/WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference in Chicago (chair, discussant, and presenter).
European Political Science Association Annual Conference in Milano (presenter).
Political Behaviour Colloquium at the EUI (presenter).
MWP Thematic Research Group ‘Diversity and Unity’ (participant and presenter).
MWP Multidisciplinary Workshop, ‘When Institutions Fail. An Interdisciplinary Perspective on Institutional Change, Outcome Diversity and Unintended Consequences’ (presenter).
MWP Multidisciplinary Workshop, ‘Granular Fiscal Policy (organizer and presenter).
MWP Multidisciplinary Workshop, ‘Quantitative Methods’ (organizer).
Conference, ‘Southern Europe in Crisis: A Comparative Perspective, at the EUI (presenter).

ACADEMIC SERVICE
Reviewer for Publius: Journal of Federalism.
Participant in the SPS Department Researcher Mentorship Programme.
Discussant of Stefano Bartolini’s students in the Second Year Researcher Presentations Seminar.
MAXIM GORYUNOV (RUSSIAN)

Departmental affiliation: Economics
Mentor: Andrea Galeotti

Maxim is an applied economic theorist. His research interest is in how frictions and imperfections affect economic outcomes, from individual decision making to market structures to labour market outcomes. He received his PhD in Economics at the Center for Economic Research and Graduate Education, Economic Institute (CERGE-EI) in Prague, Czech Republic, under the supervision of Jakub Steiner. His main research interest is in the study of sorting outcomes on the frictional labour markets. He works on the design of the procedures to identify relevant economic parameters from available data. Additionally, he studies how different modes of information acquisition affect economic outcomes.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Sorting When Firms Have Size’ MWP/WP 2017/09

INVITED SPEAKER
Seminar at the International Laboratory of Game Theory and Decision Making, HRU HSE, St.Petersburg, Russia. February 3, 2017. Presentation ‘Sorting when firms have size’.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CONFERENCES
32nd Annual Congress of the European Economic Association and 70th European Meeting of the Econometric Society, Lisbon, August 21-25, 2017.
Presentation at EEA: Sorting when firms have size.
Presentation at ESEM: Continuous Spatial Monopolistic Competition: Matching Goods with Consumers.
PABLO GRACIA (SPANISH)
Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Sciences
Mentor: Fabrizio Bernardi

Pablo Gracia gained a PhD in Sociology at Pompeu Fabra University (Spain), receiving parallel education and training at the University of Oxford (UK). He has been a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Amsterdam (Netherlands) and the EUI, holding visiting academic appointments at the Herman Deleeck Centre for Social Policy (Belgium), Centre for Demographic Studies (Spain), Institut National d’Études Démographiques (France), and University College London (UK). His previous and ongoing funded projects combine the study of family life and social inequalities. From September 2017 he will be an Assistant Professor in Sociology (with tenure) at Trinity College Dublin.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

PUBLICATIONS

CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS
‘Adolescents’ Daily Activities in Context’ Max Weber June Conference, European University Institute. San Domenico Di Fiesole, Florence, Italy (June), and Lund, Sweden (May).

TEACHING
‘Family Demography’ & ‘Quantitative Methods’. BA. University College London, Institute of Education. (main lecturer: Dr. Stephen Jivraj).
‘Concepts and Research in Sociology and Political Science.’ PhD. European University Institute (main lecturers: Dr. Pablo Gracia, Dr. Stefanie Reher).
‘Foundations of Comparative Sociology.’ PhD. European University Institute, Florence (main lecturer: Prof. Hans-Peter Blossfeld and Dr. Rasmus Hoffman).

REVIEWER
JONATHAN E. GREENWOOD (CANADIAN)
Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Jorge Flores

Jonathan Greenwood is a historian of the early modern Iberian world, whose interests focus on the global movement of goods, people, and ideas. His book project, Miracles in the Hispanic World, is the first sustained analysis of purported supernatural phenomena with a methodology that draws from art history and its counterparts in religion, medicine, and globalization. Greenwood’s next project, which includes a digital database component, examines the construction of the concept of hispanophobia in the early modern Atlantic world by way of print culture from the mid-sixteenth to the start of the nineteenth century.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Readable Flowers: Global Translation and Circulation of Collected Saints’ Lives,’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/02

PUBLICATIONS
Jonathan’s articles have been accepted or are under review at (in the case of these journals, this can take more than a year): ‘Floral Arrangements: Compilations of Saints’ Lives in Early Modern Europe,’ Journal of Early Modern History (accepted); ‘Readable Flowers: Global Translation and Circulation of Collected Saints’ Lives,’ Journal of Global History (under review). Also drafted two additional articles intended for Archivum Historicum Societatis Iesu and Revue d’histoire moderne et contemporaine.

RESEARCH
Conducted archival and library research in Spain, Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, and Italy.

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

TEACHING
Participated in the MWP Teaching Certificate training and was involved in the HEC’s professional events as a mock-interviewer and a participant in their job interview forum.
Co-taught a course with his mentor titled ‘Visual Culture across Early Modern Cultures’ (February – March 2017).
PHILIPP HACKER (GERMAN)

Departmental affiliation: Law
Mentor: Giovanni Sartor

The Max Weber Programme was of great assistance to Philipp in finding time for this year’s endeavors, and in securing a follow-up fellowship at WZB Berlin Social Science Center starting at the end of his MWF.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

‘The Ambivalence of Algorithms: Gauging the Legitimacy of Personalized Law’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/01

PUBLICATIONS


PAPERS/ARTICLES

‘Autonomous Vehicles Meet the Internet of Things: Personal Data, Exploitative Contracts, and Algorithmic Fairness’ (currently under peer review).
‘Corporate Governance for Complex Cryptocurrencies? A Framework for Stability and Decision Making in Blockchain-Based Monetary Systems’.

BOOK

He found the time to finish the final manuscript of his PhD for the publisher, which is now forthcoming:

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

Besides writing a case report on CJEU jurisprudence concerning contract law, he also organized two conferences, one on blockchain and the law at UCL and one on Theories of Choice and the Law at the EUI itself.
PAUL VAN HOOFT (DUTCH)

Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Science
Mentor: Ulrich Krotz

Paul remains for a second year as a Max Weber Fellow.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER


CONFERENCES


PUBLICATIONS


ACADEMIC SERVICE

Co-organiser 2017 Max Weber Fellows June conference
Organiser 2017 seminar on transatlantic relations ‘Grand Strategy and Populism’, June 2017 (University of Amsterdam)
Commented on three second-year EUI PhD researchers; mentor Jonas Driedger.
Commented on paper, James Madison University Conference at the EUI, April 2017.
Teaching at Masaryk University Brno Language Centre, July 2017.
ALEXANDER KATSAITIS (GREEK)

Departmental affiliation: Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies
Mentor: Brigid Laffan

Alexander’s work examines the relationship between institutions, interest groups and democratic legitimacy, focusing on the European Union as a polity. He starts in September as a researcher at the ARENA Centre for European Studies. As a member of the REFLEX project he will be assessing the European Parliament’s role in (de-) legitimizing European financial executive authorities. Prior to the MWF he completed his PhD at the School of Public Policy at University College London. Between 2014-2015 he conducted a co-authored, landmark study on interest group activity in the European Parliament for the Committee on Constitutional Affairs (with David Coen).

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MWP WORKING PAPER


PRESENTATIONS


WORKING PAPERS


ACADEMIC SERVICE

Chair, Max Weber Lecture Prof. Kalypso Nicolaidis: ‘Three Meanings of Brexit’.
Interview, Prof. Nicolaidis (with Robert Basedow).
STEVEN KLEIN (CANADIAN)
Departmental affiliation: SPS
Mentor: Richard Bellamy

Steven Klein is a political theorist whose research focuses on democratic theory, critical social theory, and the history of political thought, especially of 19th and 20th century Germany. In the fall of 2017, he will begin as an Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Florida. His work has appeared or is forthcoming in the American Political Science Review, the Journal of Politics, and the American Journal of Political Science. He received his PhD from the University of Chicago and is originally from Vancouver, Canada.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
'Domination and the Welfare State: Direct, Structural, and Abstract,' MWP/WP/RNS 2017/17

A SELECTION OF WORK OVER THE YEAR


‘The Causality of Fate: Jürgen Habermas and the Critique of Domination,’ presented at Philosophy and Social Science Conference, May 17-21, 2017, Prague

Max Weber Fellows Representative, Department of Social and Political Science, European University Institute, 2016-2017.

Co-Organizer, Persistent Inequalities: Studying Gender in the 21st Century, European University Institute, March 14, 2017.
KATARZYNA KRYLA-CUDNA (POLISH)

Departmental affiliation: Law
Mentor: Stefan Grundmann

Kasia starts as Assistant Professor of Global and Comparative Private Law at Tilburg University in August 2017. Prior to the MWP, she completed her PhD in Law at the University of Warsaw and MJur at the University of Oxford. She completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Warsaw.

Kasia conducts research on civil liability in European, comparative and transnational contexts. Her doctoral research was focused on damages for non-pecuniary loss caused by a breach of contract.

Her next long-term research project will concern the doctrine of privity from the perspective of the growing phenomenon of direct claims brought against a multinational company that benefits from wrongs committed by persons it should have controlled better.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

‘Damages for non-pecuniary loss in European contract law’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/36

A SELECTION OF WORK OVER THE YEAR


Paper ‘Damages for non-pecuniary loss in European contract law’ presented at the 11th Max Weber Fellows June Conference, EUI.

Member of the Organizing Committee – 11th Max Weber Fellows June Conference, EUI.
DAMJAN KUKOVEC (SLOVENIAN)

Departmental affiliation: Law
Mentor: Hans Micklitz

Damjan Kukovec earned his doctoral and masters degrees at Harvard Law School and obtained his LL.B. from the University of Ljubljana. Beside teaching at Harvard, he has taught at FGV Law School in Rio de Janeiro, at Kent Law School in Brussels and at the EUI in Florence. He has given guest lectures at several universities and participates in conferences worldwide. He has published in leading US law reviews, in peer reviewed journals and is currently working on his third chapter contribution to a book, to be published by Cambridge University Press. He has practiced, among others, at the Legal Service of the European Commission, the European Court of Justice and at the Special Court for Sierra Leone. His research and teaching interests include EU law, commercial law, competition law, private law and legal and social theory. His next academic position is a senior lectureship at Middlesex School of Law in London.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Brexit- a Tragic Continuity of Europe’s Daily Operations’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/31

A SELECTION OF WORK OVER THE YEAR
‘Subjects and Objects of Law and Social Change’ in Subjects and Objects of EU Law (Edwards Elgar, 2017).

TALKS
Talk: Economic Law and Inequality, Tel Aviv Law School, November 2016.
NEVENA KULIC (SERB)

Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Sciences
Mentor: Hans- Peter Blossfeld

Nevena Kulic received a PhD in Sociology and Social Research from the University of Trento. Her major interests are in intra-household dynamics, educational inequality in childhood and adolescence, and gender inequality in the labour market and education. Next year she will complete the second year of the Max Weber Fellowship.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

‘Intra-household sharing of financial resources : a review’ MWP/WP 2017/12

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS


CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS


OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Max Weber Teaching Certificate.

Lecturer at the course ‘Statistical indicators-Theory and Methodology’ (with Alessandra Petrucci), University of Florence, May-June, 2017.

A member of the scientific committee of the 11th edition of the Max Weber June Conference, European University Institute, 7-9, June, 2017.

MAURO LANATI (ITALIAN)

Departmental affiliation: Robert Schuman Centre
Mentor: Ramon Marimon

In February 2017 Mauro joined the Migration Policy Centre (EUI) as research fellow in a two year contract position to work for MEDAM, a joint project on Asylum and Migration in the EU financed by the Mercator foundation. Prior to the MWP, Mauro earned his PhD in Economics in December 2015 and published his job market paper, which investigates the link between quality of migrants and quality of trade in 2016 to the World Economy. Since the completion of his PhD (where he specialized on international trade and migration) he started work on different topics, such as foreign direct investments and foreign aid – focusing more on development oriented applied research. Since 2016, Mauro has worked predominantly on the link between foreign aid and migration and on the effect of cultural proximity on cultural exchanges. He wrote two research papers on these topics that have been recently published as EUI working papers. In particular, the paper titled ‘The Impact of Foreign Aid on Migration’, co-authored with Prof Rainer Thiele, is currently under review at the European Economic Review and will be presented at the UN Wider Conference in Accra (Ghana) in October 2017.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
Mauro Lanati and Rainer Thiele ‘The impact of foreign aid on migration revisited’ MWP/WP 2017/05

WORKING PAPER
Mauro Lanati and Alessandra Venturini ‘The import of “cultural goods” and emigration: an unexplored relation’. RSCAS; 2017/24; Migration Policy Centre

PUBLICATIONS

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS
RSC seminar series, the impact of foreign aid on migration (revisited).
8th June EMNES-MEDAM Workshop. Economic Integration of Refugees in the Countries of First Asylum Mission: Possible? The role of development aid to manage migration in the South Med region Speaker: Mauro Lanati (EUI, MEDAM).
CEPS, Brussels.
Workshop ‘Culture and Migration An empirical approach’.
Mauro Lanati (MEDAM-MPC) Alessandra Venturini (EST, MEDAM), ‘Imports of cultural goods and emigration: an unexplored relation’. Discussant: Matteo Migheli (EST), Teresa Cappiali (Collegio Carlo Alberto) University of Turin.
DAVID LEBOW (US AMERICAN)

Departmental affiliation: Law
Mentor: Nehal Bhutta

David earned a PhD in Political Science from Yale University and a JD from Yale Law School. He will be a Lecturer in the Social Studies Program at Harvard University.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER


PUBLICATIONS


PRESENTATIONS

Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago IL – ‘Fascism’s Lessons and the Horizontal Effects of Rights in German and American Constitutionalism’.


MWP Workshop – Translation in Transit – ‘Fascism’s Lessons and the Horizontal Effects of Rights in German and American Constitutionalism’.


SERVICE

Max Weber Fellow Representative – Department of Law.
Italian Political Thought Workshop Organizer.

OTHER

Drafted Book Outline – *Such is the Circle: Paradoxes of Political Development and the Life-Cycles of American Constitutional Regimes*; to be reviewed by Cambridge University Press, Contemporary Political Theory Series.
SOPHIE LEMIÈRE (FRENCH)

Departmental affiliation: Robert Schuman Centre
Mentor: Olivier Roy

Sophie is a Political Anthropologist who looks at the nexus between religion, politics and criminality in comparative perspective. Her research path has been influenced largely by an insatiable intellectual quest to unveil political illusions by looking at the deep structure of political systems. Her PhD dissertation was the first study on the political role of gangs through umbrella NGOs in Malaysia. This original work shows how civil society participates in the illusion of democratization and may be used as a tool to sustain (semi-) authoritarian systems. Sophie will be joining the Weatherhead Center at Harvard University in 2017-2018.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
'Islamist Echoes in the context of the Tunisian Islamist Party 10th Congress, MWP/WP 2017/07

FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

BOOK SERIES
Sophie believes it is essential for academics to disseminate their research to a wide audience, and primarily in the countries they study. With this idea in mind, she has oriented her efforts towards the publication of original scholarship addressing both a general and academic audience in and outside of Malaysia. She created a series of edited volumes on Malaysian politics and society in collaboration with the first Malaysian publisher of social sciences (SIRD). Following the success of her first volume Misplaced Democracy in 2014 (also in the EUI online repository), her peer-reviewed second volume will be published in August 2017, in collaboration with a major European university press. This series tackles controversial issues in Malaysian politics, promotes the work of young scholars, and encourages collaboration with Malaysian and International scholars.

BLOG AND MEDIA
Sophie has made considerable efforts to give visibility to her work by publishing in both international academic and non-academic outlets, and by responding to most media solicitations in Malaysia and in Europe. Sophie has a blog on Mediapart and regularly contributes to the international media (New Mandala, The Conversation, Le Monde, Libération).

FILMS
Pursuing the idea of the pedagogical dissemination of her research, Sophie has started to develop several documentary projects with French production companies, including a series on the Arts and Politics. Her first film 9/43 featured the Malaysian cartoonist Zunar and was selected among the 25 best movies of the French short-film festival Infracourt in 2016.
STEFANO MARCUZZI (ITALIAN)
Departmental affiliation: Robert Schuman Centre
Mentor: Luigi Narbone, Olivier Roy

Stefano Marcuzzi is a Max Weber Fellow at the European University Institute, Florence, affiliated with the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSC), focusing on EU-NATO relations in the Mediterranean. He carried out his DPhil in military history at the University of Oxford in 2016, under the supervision of Prof. Sir Hew Strachan, with a thesis on Anglo-Italian relations during the First World War. His broader research interests include maritime co-operation in the Mediterranean, with particular attention paid to Libya, and the EU-NATO response to the new hybrid threats. Marcuzzi is a member of the Globalising and Localising the Great War Group (GLGW), Oxford, the Oxford University Strategic Studies Group (OUSSG), the Changing Character of War Programme (CCW), and an external fellow at Boston University (BU). Stefano is a second year Max Weber Fellow in 2017-18.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘The Battle of Gorizia, 1916. A turning point in Italy’s War’ MWP/WP 2017/14

SELECTED WORK: CONFERENCE PAPER
‘Europe in the World’ conference paper, ‘The EU and the Fight against Terrorism: Towards an Integration of Internal and External Security Management?’.
The EU’s Approach to Counter-terrorism (abstract)
Europe has a long history of terrorism. This has often been linked to nationalist and separatist movements and political extremism – including anarchism, far-right and far-left extremism – but more recently it has been increasingly related to religious extremism. Between 2009 and 2015, 1422 attacks – aborted, foiled or successful – were identified in the Member States, and led to the deaths of 195 people. In the last two years, terrorist acts have been almost entirely related to jihadism.
The first platform for European cooperation in counter-terrorism, known as TREVI (Terrorisme, Radicalisme, Extrémisme et Violence Internationale), was created in 1976. Further steps towards cooperation in tackling terrorism at EU level include: the Schengen Agreement (1985), which abolished all internal borders between participating Member States and enhanced judicial and border cooperation; the Maastricht Treaty (1992), which reorganised justice and home affairs cooperation, and created the law enforcement agency Europol; the first EU Action Plan to fight terrorism (2001), which established a European Arrest Warrant; the appointment of the EU’s first Counter-terrorism Coordinator (2004); and, finally, the adoption of the first overall counter-terrorism strategy (2005) and its updates (in 2008, 2014 and 2015).

The amount of financial resources devoted to counter-terrorism has also steadily increased. Although it is almost impossible to calculate it precisely, EU spending is estimated to have increased from €5.7 million in 2002 to €93.5 million in 2009. The broader Security and Citizenship heading in the EU budget has increased from €2,522 million in 2015 to €4,052 million in 2016.

Increased spending, however, has not been followed by a reduced incidence of terrorism. The EU’s efforts to develop a strategy to tackle terrorism, and to improve its institutional framework in the counter-terrorism field, have generated concerns that the EU’s approach may result in a ‘paper tiger’. [.....]
SEETHA MENON (INDIAN)
Departmental affiliation: Economics
Mentor: Andrea Ichino

Seetha Menon is a Max Weber Fellow in the Department of Economics. Before joining the Programme, she completed her doctoral studies at the University of Essex under the supervision of Adeline Delavande and Sonia Bhalotra. Seetha’s research uses applied microeconometrics to answer questions in the fields of health, development and migration. Her current research explores the effect of intra-household bargaining on domestic violence through dowry mechanics. Seetha has a two-year Max Weber Fellowship.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

JOURNAL ARTICLE

CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

WORKSHOP

ACADEMIC SERVICE
ANDREJ MILIVOJEVIC (SERB)

Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Frederico Romero

Previously, Andrej lectured at UC Berkeley, where he offered courses on economic history and seminars on quantitative history and data science. His book project recounts the first attempt by a socialist regime to integrate a planned economy into international markets. Yugoslavia’s economic opening proved beneficial for some regions but quite destabilizing to others, especially those out of which workers migrated internally and internationally and thus experienced labour-led rather than investment-led globalization. The overlooked experience of socialist Yugoslavia thus contributes to debates about the beneficial effects of economic openness on political and social stability and on what makes a regime authoritarian.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Do Exit and Voice Create Loyalty? How Mobility and Decentralization Complicated Yugoslavia’s Efforts to Foster Loyalty among its Migrants (1940s-1980s)’

A SELECTION OF WORK OVER THE YEAR
FRANCESCO MOLTENI (ITALIAN)

Departmental affiliation: Economics
Mentor: Evi Pappa

Francesco Molteni previously worked for the Centre d’études prospectives et d’informations internationales, OECD, World Bank, European Central Bank and Labex Refi. He holds a PhD from the Paris School of Economics – Université Paris 1 and visited the University of Princeton and the European University Institute. His research interests are macro-finance, monetary and fiscal policy, international macroeconomics and international finance. Francesco has a two-year MW Fellowship.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

BOOK CHAPTERS
‘Discretionary fiscal policy and recessions’ with F. Coricelli and R. Fiorito in Rethinking Fiscal Policy After the Crisis, Cambridge University Press.
‘Public expense composition and economic policy recommendations’ with J. Créel in Financial Regulation in the EU: from resilience to growth, Palgrave McMillan.


PRESENTATIONS
‘The Combination of Monetary and Fiscal Policy Shocks: A TVP-FAVAR Approach’ at the OFCE Workshop on Empirical Monetary Policy Workshop in Science Po. The paper was substantially revised as a Max Weber working paper.
‘Liquidity, Government Bonds and Sovereign Debt Crises’ at the 6th BSP International Conference; the paper was published in a conference volume of the proceedings. Francesco also presented the paper at the Tommaso Padoa Schioppa and ADEMU working groups at the EUI. The paper was accepted by other international conferences (Royal Economic Society, Annual International Conference on Macroeconomic Analysis and International Finance, GSE summer forum) but he was unable to attend.

ACADEMIC SERVICE
Francesco organized the macro reading group in the Economics Department and the ECO writers group for the Max Weber Fellows.

OTHER ACTIVITIES
Max Weber teaching certificate, activities related to the Tommaso Padoa Schioppa group and ADEMU working group, macro reading group and ECO writers’ group. Regular participation in seminars and workshops in the Economics Department, especially in macroeconomics.
EVA-MARIA MUSCHIK (GERMAN)

Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Corinna Unger

Eva-Maria Muschik was a Max Weber postdoctoral fellow in 2016/2017. She graduated with a PhD in History from New York University, after spending one year as a predoctoral fellow in International Security Studies at Yale University. She is working on a book manuscript titled ‘Building States: The United Nations, Decolonization, and the Strange Triumph of State Sovereignty after 1945,’ which examines UN development efforts in the 1950s and 1960s and argues that the organization supported the proliferation of the nation-state on a global scale, while simultaneously chipping away at state sovereignty as a barrier against outside intervention.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER


PUBLICATIONS


TEACHING


PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

‘Global Integration or Bifurcation? The Expanding Reach of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Historical Perspective’; Max Weber Fellows Conference, European University Institute.

‘From the Lost Decade of Development to a New Humanitarian Order? The Curious Trajectory of Economist Jeffrey Sachs’; workshop on Histories of Capitalism, European University Institute.

‘In Search of “Permanent Solutions” – The Refugee in Europe as a Concern for International Organizations at the End of World War Two’; part of co-organized interdisciplinary workshop on Migration, Asylum and Xenophobia in Europe; European University Institute.

‘How to Build a State? The United Nations in Libya and Somaliland in the 1950s’; Europe in the World Research Seminar Series, Global Governance Program; European University Institute.
MARTA MUSSO (ITALIAN)

Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Youssef Cassis

Marta Musso is a researcher in energy policies and energy history, with particular focus on the problem of sovereignty, energy and development, nationalisation and decolonisation processes. She also has a keen interest in digital humanities and the preservation of digital heritage. She holds a PhD from the University of Cambridge with a thesis on the development of the Algerian and European oil industry. She is currently the head of PR for the Archives Portal Europe Foundation and President of EOGAN, the European Oil and Gas Archives Network.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

‘The oil industry, energy security, and international development: the EEC and Opec’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/34

WORKING PAPERS

‘Before the shock: energy policies in the EEC between 1957 and 1973’.
‘Between the IEA and OPEC: the EEC, the oil weapon, and the debate on the New International Economic Order’.

BOOK PROPOSAL

Algeria and the decolonisation of the oil industry.

CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP ORGANISATION

Workshop with Prof. Adam Tooze (Columbia University), Organising committee: Marta Musso, Mate Rigo.
Oil Imperialism?, 4-5 November 2016, Université Paris IV-Sorbonne (co-organizer).

EDITED BOOKS


PAPERS


BOOK CHAPTERS


BOOK REVIEWS

VERONIKA PEHE (CZECH)

Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Pavel Kolář

Since January 2017, Veronika Pehe has been, alongside her Max Weber Fellowship, a Research Associate at the Institute for Contemporary History of the Czech Academy of Sciences. She is part of a research team conducting a large-scale oral history project on the life stories of the generation of student leaders of the 1989 revolution in Czechoslovakia. She has been awarded a Marie Curie-Sklodowska Fellowship from the European Commission, which she will take up in the Department of Late-/Post-Socialism at the same institution from 2018.

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A SELECTION OF WORK OVER THE YEAR


ACADEMIC SERVICE

JOSÉ JUAN PÉREZ MELÉNDEZ (US AMERICAN)
Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Regina Grafe
José Juan Pérez Meléndez did his earliest training in history at Princeton University and taught in New York City public schools before obtaining his doctorate at the University of Chicago in 2016. He is currently an assistant professor in history at the University of California, Davis and is completing a book manuscript titled *Peopling for Profit: Colonization and the Brazilian Empire, 1808-1878.*

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Other Empires: Brazil, Mexico, and the Dark Decades of Post-Independence, 1815-1867’ MWP/ WP/RNS 2017/30

CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS
Participated in the American Historical Association’s annual meeting in Denver (January 2017).

WRITTEN WORK
‘A Different Meridian? Colonization in Post-Independence Brazil and Mexico, 1821-1867,’ (article in progress).
Book proposal completed.

PRESENTATIONS
‘Brazil, the U.S. and ‘Path-Dependence’ in the 19th Century: A Tale of Tables Turned?,’ When Institutions Fail Conference, EUI, March 2017.
‘In a Global Loop of Things? Newspapers as Vectors of Policy Models in Mid-Nineteenth-Century Brazil,’ Nineteenth-Century Brazilian Newspapers I: Context and Content panel in Reading Imperial Brazilian Newspapers Workshop, American Historical Association (AHA) annual meeting, January 2017.

EVENTS ORGANIZED
Co-organizer, ‘European Empires after the Global ‘Turn’: Planned Migrations, Colonial Agents and Informal Colonialism,’ workshop at the EUI, June 2017.
KYM PRAM (NEW ZEALAND)

Departmental affiliation: Economics
Mentor: Piero Gottardi

Kym Pram is a Max Weber Fellow in the Economics Department. Before joining the Max Weber Programme he completed his doctoral studies at Northwestern University (USA) and his undergraduate studies at the University of Auckland (New Zealand). Kym's research covers a broad range of topics within microeconomic theory, including game theory and mechanism design. Recently, his research has focussed on the implications of technologies that allow greater information sharing in markets. Kym has a two-year Max Weber Fellowship.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

‘Hard Evidence and Welfare in Adverse Selection Environments’ MWP/WP 2017/10

PRESENTATIONS

‘Hard Evidence and Welfare in Adverse Selection Environments’ presented at:
Mini-Workshop on the Economics of Persuasion, Bocconi University, November 2016.
Microeconomics Working Group, EUI, November 2016.
Monday Lunch Seminar, Collegio Carlo Alberto, March 2017.
CLARA RAUCHEGGER (AUSTRIALN)

Departmental affiliation: Law
Mentor: Deirdre Curtin

Clara’s research interests lie at the intersections of EU and domestic constitutional law, with a particular focus on European fundamental rights protection. In her PhD thesis, she examined the interaction between the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights and national constitutional rights. Clara completed her PhD at the University of Cambridge as a scholar of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and the UK Arts & Humanities Research Council. Prior to her PhD, she worked at the Representation of Tyrol to the EU, the European Parliament and the Court of Justice of the EU. In 2017/18, Clara will be a second year Max Weber Fellow.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Conflicts between EU and National Fundamental Rights before Constitutional Courts’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/28

PRESENTATIONS
University of Copenhagen, Conference of the International Society of Public Law ICON-S, ’The CJEU and National Constitutional Rights’.

GUEST LECTURES
‘Current Issues in European Union Constitutional Law’, for PhD students, University of Innsbruck.
’Multilevel Fundamental Rights Protection in the EU’, for Masters students, Centre international de formation Européenne.

GRANTS
Application for a peer-reviewed project grant from the Austrian Science Fund.

BOOK PROJECT
STEFANIE REHER (GERMAN)

Departmental affiliation: SPS
Mentor: Alexander Trechsel

Stefanie will start as a Lecturer and Chancellor’s Fellow in the School of Government & Public Policy at the University of Strathclyde in September 2017. Before the Max Weber Fellowship, she was a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Copenhagen. She holds a DPhil in Sociology from Nuffield College, University of Oxford, and degrees from the LSE and Jacobs University Bremen. Her work is in the fields of comparative politics and political behaviour, with a focus on policy representation. She studies predictors of representation, inequality in representation, and its effects on citizen attitudes and behaviour, primarily in the European context.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS
‘Similar Yet Different: Patterns and Causes of Gender Differences in Opinion-Policy Congruence in Europe.’ Presented at the conferences of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 6-9, 2017.
LINE RENNWALD (SWISS)
Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Science
Mentor: Hanspeter Kriesi

Line Rennwald is a political scientist whose research interests lie at the crossroads of political sociology, comparative politics and industrial relations. She received her PhD from the University of Geneva in 2013. She conducted research stays at the University of Amsterdam (2014-2016) and at Nuffield College (2012). She currently pursues her research on the transformations of class voting with a focus on the role of trade unions. During the academic year 2017-2018, she will be a second-year Max Weber Fellow at the European University Institute.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
(with D. Oesch) 'Electoral Competition in Europe's New Tripolar Political Space: Class Voting for the Left, Centre-Right and Radical Right', MWP/WP 2017/02

PUBLICATIONS
(with C. Arndt) (2017). 'Workplace characteristics and working class vote for the old and new right in Western Europe', *British Journal of Industrial Relations* 55(1): 137–164.

PRESENTATIONS
Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung and EUI Workshop 'Electoral Participation and the Growing Social Differentiation in the Levels of Political Engagement in Western Democracies', 19th June 2017, 'Class non-voting in Switzerland'.
SVPW/ASSP Annual Conference, St-Gallen, 11-12th January 2017, 'Electoral Competition in Europe's New Tripolar Political Space: Class Voting for the Left, Centre-Right and Radical Right' (with D. Oesch).
Political Behaviour Colloquium, European University Institute, 12th October 2016, 'Electoral Competition in Europe's New Tripolar Political Space: Class Voting for the Left, Centre-Right and Radical Right' (with D. Oesch).

BLOG ARTICLE
MATE RIGO (HUNGARIAN)

Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Pieter Judson

Following the completion of his Max Weber Fellowship, Mate Rigo will continue his teaching and research at Yale-NUS College in Singapore, where he will be Assistant Professor of Modern European History. Prior to his postdoctoral fellowship, he earned a Ph.D. from Cornell, and MA degrees in History from Central European University and Eötvös Loránd University.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

‘Imperial Currencies after the Fall of Empires: The Exchange of the German Paper Mark and the Austro-Hungarian Kronen at the End of the “Long First World War”’

ARTICLE


WORKSHOP

Organized Evolution of Capitalism workshop with Marta Musso; keynote speaker: Adam Tooze.

PRESENTATIONS


VERA ŠĆEPANOVIC (MONTENEGRIN)

Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Science
Mentor: Dorothee Bohle

Vera Šćepanović completed her PhD in Political Economy at the Central European University in 2013. Prior to the MW Fellowship at the EUI, Vera worked as a visiting lecturer at the School of Public Policy at the Central European University, and was a postdoctoral researcher in the EU FP7 project ‘Maximizing the integration capacity of the European Union (MAXCAP)’. Vera studies the ways in which the transnationalization of capitalism and regulatory frameworks shape opportunity structures for development in peripheral and semi-peripheral states. She carried out research on the role of FDI in the automotive industry in East Central Europe, links between local governments and capital markets in South-Eastern Europe and the relationship between the EU competition and cohesion policies.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘No spillovers, no problem? The transformation of the East Central European automotive industry and lessons for industrial policy in the age of global value chains’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/19

PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATION

ACADEMIC SERVICE
Member of the editorial committee of Transfer: Journal of European Labour and Research. Coordinator of ‘Reading Contemporary Classics’ PhD seminar at SPS, EUI.
LAURA SEELKOPF (GERMAN)

Departmental affiliation: Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies
Mentor: Philipp Genschel

Laura Seelkopf is a political scientist with a PhD from the University of Essex and an MA from the University of Konstanz. After her year as a Max Weber Fellow, she continues at the EUI as a Jean Monnet Fellow at the Robert Schuman Centre. Laura`s substantive research interests lie at the intersection of international political economy, public policy, and comparative politics. Her current research focuses on two main topics: the political economy of taxation (tax competition and the transformation of tax states around the world) and comparative social policy (in and outside developed economies and via non-traditional policies).

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Taxation and Redistribution in Autocratic and Democratic Regimes over the Long-run of History’ (with Hanna Lierse) MWP/WP 2017/11

CHAPTER

ACADEMIC SERVICE
Since 2015 Laura Seelkopf has served as board member of the Political Economy Section of the German Political Science Association. In her year at the EUI, she advised several PhD students on their research, co-taught a class on the Political Economy of Taxation, and co-organized an international conference on the same topic. Laura presented her research at the EUI as well as at workshops in München, Bonn, Mainz, Mannheim, Birmingham, College Station, Kassel and Milan. At the moment, she is finalizing the first version of the Tax Introduction Database (TID) – a research project shared with Philipp Genschel, which is financed by the EUI Research Council, and on which she has been working all year. The aim is to explain which factors drive the timing and sequences of tax innovations and to understand how differences in timing and sequence affect tax policy outcomes over the long-term.
KATALIN STRANER (HUNGARIAN)

Departmental affiliation: History and Civilization
Mentor: Stéphane Van Damme

Katalin Straner is (as of September 2017) Lecturer in Modern European History at the University of Southampton. She received her PhD at the Central European University in 2013. She has held fellowships at University College London, Harvard University, and the Leibniz Institute of European History in Mainz and a Visiting Lectureship at the Department of History at CEU. She is a historian of modern Europe, specialising in the history of science, urban history and the study of translation and reception in the history of ideas. Her research interests include Darwinism in Habsburg Hungary and Central Europe; the role of the city and urban culture in the circulation and transformations of knowledge; and the effect of migration and exile on knowledge transfer.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

'The Natural Sciences and their Public at the Meetings of the Hungarian Association for the Advancement of Science in Budapest and Beyond, 1841-1896' MWP/WP/RNS 2017/23

PUBLICATIONS


CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

‘The Hungarian Translation and Reception of David Page’s Introductory Textbook of Geology,’ 7th International Conference of the European Society for the History of Science, Prague, September 2016.


CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP ORGANISATION


ACADEMIC SERVICE

Member of the international committee, European Association for Urban History.
MWF Representative to the Department of History and Civilization.
Member of the scientific committee, Max Weber Fellows’ Conference, May 2017.
AKISATO SUZUKI (JAPANESE)
Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Sciences
Mentor: Ulrich Krotz

Akisato Suzuki obtained his PhD from Dublin City University. His research interests include causes of conflict, domestic explanations of international relations, East Asian regional security, and methodology. He is also a research fellow at the Institute for International Conflict Resolution and Reconstruction, Dublin City University. Akisato is a second year Max Weber Fellow in 2017-18.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER

'Are They Looking at What We Are Looking for? Conditioning Audience Costs Using Socio-Economic Indicators' MWP/WP/RNS 2017/08

PUBLICATIONS


PRESENTATIONS


ACADEMIC SERVICE

Invited Lecturer, Faculty of Political Science, University of Bucharest, May 2017.
Guest Lecturer, Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals (IBEI), May 2017.
Organizer, Quantitative Methods Working Group, EUI, 2016-17.
Organizer, JMU-EUI Joint Graduate Symposium, 2017.
Organizer, Max Weber Programme 2017 June Conference.
ARIS TRANTIDIS (GREEK)

Departmental affiliation: Political and Social Sciences
Mentor: Klarita GërXhani

Aris has published five peer-reviewed articles in distinguished journals and the book *Clientelism and Economic Policy: Greece and the Crisis*, Routledge. Aris took part in the Max Weber Teaching Certificate Programme. In May, he gave a public lecture on methodological pluralism at the Pompeu Fabra University of Barcelona. Aris served as a discussant in three EUI workshops, and took part in several training workshops on experimental methods, advanced research design and qualitative comparative analysis. He is currently working on topics such as democracy and regime change, historical institutionalism, complexity theory, and comparative political economy, and is co-authoring with both established academics and early-stage researchers.

**ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP**

**MWP WORKING PAPER**
‘Learning from failure: macroeconomic policy, theoretical foundations and the price-theoretic perspective’, MWP/WP/RNS 2017/05

**BOOK**

**PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES**

**BOOK CHAPTER**

**CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS**

**ACADEMIC SERVICE**
EVANGELIA (LILIAN) TSOURDI (GREEK)

Departmental affiliation: Law  
Mentor: Prof. Bruno de Witte

Lilian is full-time Departmental Lecturer in International Refugee and Human Rights Law at the Refugee Studies Centre at the University of Oxford, since September 2017. She earned her PhD in Law at the Université libre de Bruxelles in 2016, and holds an LLM in International Human Rights Law from the University of Essex, and an LLM in Public International Law from the University of Athens. Her research focuses on the administrative governance of EU asylum policy, and EU funding in selected policy areas. She oftentimes works as a consultant for EU institutions, international, and non-governmental organisations.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER


PUBLICATIONS


CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS


‘How EU law shapes opportunities for preliminary references on fundamental rights’ (European University Institute/University of Maastricht, Florence, February 2017).

‘Taking stock of the open method of coordination’ (University of Maastricht, Maastricht, November 2016).  
‘Agencification of EU executive governance’ (European University Institute/University of Maastricht, Florence, November 2016).

CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP ORGANISATION AND ACADEMIC SERVICE:

Member of the Scientific Committee of the ‘11th Social Issues for Social Sciences Conference’, (EUI, Florence, 7-9 June 2017).

Member of the Coordination Team: Academic Network for Legal Studies on Immigration and Asylum in Europe, the ‘Odysseus Network’.
GARY WINSLETT (US AMERICAN)

Departmental affiliation: Robert Schuman Centre
Mentor: Brigid Laffan, also worked with Bernard Hoekman

Gary Winslett received his PhD in Political Science from Boston College, specializing in International Political Economy. His doctoral research and first book examined trade and regulation in the automotive, meat, and pharmaceuticals industries. He has also published articles on other aspects of trade politics in The World Economy, the Journal of World Trade, and World Trade Review. His current book analyses the political economy of the relationship between the five companies that dominate the internet (Facebook, Apple, Amazon, Microsoft, and Google) and the United States government. He has accepted a Visiting Assistant Professor position.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Conceptualizing Political Opposition to Trade Agreements: Business, Foreigners, and Rules’ MWP/WP/RNS 2017/37

BOOK MANUSCRIPT
Competitiveness and Death: Trade and Politics in Cars, Beef, and Drugs currently under review with university publishers.

ARTICLES
Gary completed three scholarly articles. The first that was completed and submitted for publication has been accepted for publication at World Trade Review. It is titled ‘Critical Mass Agreements: the Proven Template for Trade Liberalization at the WTO’, (forthcoming). The other two are currently under review.

OTHER ACTIVITIES
Gary presented work at three EUI conferences/workshop. He began a new book project. As part of that, he conducted interviews with EU officials and did preliminary research. Gary also guest taught a Master’s course at CIFE in Berlin.
HENRIETTA ZEFFERT (AUSTRALIAN)

Departmental affiliation: Law
Mentor: Martin Scheinin

Henrietta Zeffert is starting as a Lecturer in the Centre for Law and Social Justice, School of Law, University of Leeds, in June 2017. Prior to the MW Fellowship, she completed her PhD in Law at the London School of Economics and Political Science and BCL (Dist) at the University of Oxford. She has a LLB (Hons) and BA (Classics and Latin) degrees from the University of Melbourne. She is a qualified Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria, Australia, and previously practiced as a lawyer at Ashurst in Melbourne, Australia. In 2012 she was associate (clerk) to the Honourable Justice Susan Crennan, former justice of the High Court of Australia.

Henrietta conducts empirical socio-legal research relating to the themes of home, belonging, nostalgia, return and exile. She is also interested in the field of international law in everyday life. Her fieldwork studies have so far been based in Cambodia, Palestine and the United Kingdom. Beyond academic writing, she is a contributor to Right Now, an online, print and radio publication focusing on human rights, social justice and arts (www.rightnow.org.au), and Assemble Papers, an online magazine focusing on small footprint living across art, design, urbanism, architecture, the environment and finance (www.assemblepapers.com.au).

ACTIVITIES DURING MAX WEBER FELLOWSHIP

MWP WORKING PAPER
‘Heygate Was Home: Home and the Right to Housing in the City’, MWP/WP/RNS 2017/03

A SELECTION OF WORK OVER THE YEAR
Max Weber Fellows Representation, EUI Ethics Committee.