The VU Interdisciplinary Centre for European Studies (VICES) organizes the second annual workshop on the prospects and challenges of the European Union. Here EU scholars from a variety of disciplines (political science, sociology, law, communication science and psychology) come together to present and discuss ongoing research. We warmly invite you to join the debate. Attendance to the workshop is free of charge (within space constraints) but registration is required at vu.VICES@gmail.com (deadline October 27th). Please also indicate on which days you’re planning to attend the workshop.
THURSDAY 31.10.2019

12:00  12:45  Arrival lunch & registration
12:45  13:00  Welcome by Catherine de Vries (co-director of VICES)
13:00  14:00  Roundtable I - An economic union or a union of values?
   Liesbet Hooghe (UNC/EUI)
   Amy Verdun (Universiteit Leiden)
   Catherine de Vries (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam)
   Moderator: Ben Crum
14:00  14:15  Tea break
14:15  15:45  Panel I - Elections & public opinion
   Hot Politics: Physiological responses to political communication
   Bert Bakker, Gijs Schumacher & Matthijs Rooduijn
   Did Frans Timmermans boost the PvdA vote? Spitzenkandidaten and the
   2019 European Elections
   Armen Hakhverdian
   One Union, different futures? Cross-national variation in public preferences
   for the EU’s future and their explanations
   Andreas Goldberg, Erika van Elsas & Claes de Vreese
   Raising the stakes? Spitzenkandidaten and voter mobilisation in the 2019
   European elections
   Katjana Gattermann & Claes de Vreese
   Discussant: Alvaro Oleart
   Chair: Mariken van der Velden
15:45  16:15  Coffee break
16:15  17:45  Panel II - EU politics
   Renewing or undermining democratic pluralism? The conditioning of
   populist parties across EU member states
   Ben Crum, Alvaro Oleart and Patrick Overeem
   Responsiveness in EU politics and the need for a new research agenda
   Maurits Meijers
   Unity in diversity
   Jonathan Zeitlin
   EU law and populist politics
   Mark Dawson
   Discussant: Lisanne de Blok
   Chair: Gareth Davies
18:00  19:00  Brexit Borrel  Pubquiz by Gareth Davies & Catherine de Vries
FRIDAY 01.11.2019

08:30 09:00  Arrival coffee & tea
09:00 10:30  Panel III - Immigration
  Does immigration from Eastern Europe still fuel euroscepticism?
    Dimitar Toshkov
  Partisan patterns of anti-immigration attitudes. A cross-national study of voters in 13 EU countries during the 2019 European Elections
    Andre Krouwel
  So voting will tear us apart: Brexit and the breaking of social norms
    Hector Solaz
  Is migration of European citizens a force for fragmentation?
    Gareth Davies

  Discussant: Sarah de Lange
  Chair: Lisanne de Blok

10:30 11:00  Coffee break
11:00 12:30  Panel IV - EU Values & Institutions
  Solidarity in the European Union
    Theresa Kuhn
  Crisis social construction, discursive performance and subject positioning in Greek and German focus groups
    Anastasia Garyfallou
  Dialogue spurred by pressure: Courts and judicial dialogue on the return of irregular migrants from the European Union
    Galina Cornelisse & Madalina Moraru
  Polycentricity in the European Union
    Josephine van Zeben & Ana Bobić

  Discussant: Catherine de Vries
  Chair: Katjana Gattermann

12:30 13:30  Lunch
13:30 14:30  Roundtable II – What’s Europe’s end?
  Gary Marks (University of North Carolina)
  Dimitry Kochenov (Rijksuniversiteit Groningen)
  Stephanie Hofmann (Graduate Institute Geneva)

  Moderator: Bastiaan van Apeldoorn

14:30 14:45  Closing remarks by Gareth Davies (co-director of VICES)