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  12:30  Arrival lunch
12:30  12:40  Welcome by Catherine de Vries (co-director of VICES)
12:40  13:40  Roundtable I - An economic union or a union of values?
   Liesbet Hooghe (UNC/EUI)
   Amy Verdun (Universiteit Leiden)
   Stephanie Hofmann (Graduate Institute Geneva)
   Moderator: Ben Crum
13:40  14:00  Tea break
14:00  15:30  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
16:00  16:30  Coffee break
16:30  18:45  Panel II - EU politics
   Renewing or undermining democratic pluralism? The conditioning of populist parties across EU member states
      Ben Crum, Álvaro Oleart and Patrick Overeem
   Responsiveness in EU politics and the need for a new research agenda
      Maurits Meijers
   Crisis social construction, discursive performance and subject positioning in Greek and German focus groups
      Anastasia Garyfallou
   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

Unity in diversity
  Jonathan Zeitlin

Dialogue spurred by pressure: Courts and judicial dialogue on the return of
irregular migrants from the European Union
  Galina Cornelisse

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)
  Mark Dawson (Hertie School)
  Dimitry Kochenov (Rijksuniversiteit Groningen)

  Moderator: Bastiaan van Apeldoorn

14:30 14:40  Closing by Gareth Davies (co-director of VICES)