



**THE EUROPEAN UNION
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LOOKING BEYOND THE 2019 EP ELECTIONS

31.10.2019 - 01.11.2019

LOCATION: DE BALIE, AMSTERDAM

ANNUAL VICES WORKSHOP

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.

PROGRAMME

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: Lianne 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?

Dimiter 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)**