THE CRISIS BEHIND THE CRISIS:
THE EUROPEAN CRISIS AS A MULTI-DIMENSIONAL SYSTEMIC FAILURE OF THE EU
Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge
31 March-1st April

PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 30TH MARCH

20:30 Welcome drinks, King’s College Bar

THURSDAY 31ST MARCH

09:00 Welcome

09:15 Keynote Speech I: Professor Michelle Everson, Birkbeck University of London

10:45 Coffee

11:00 THE CRISIS AS A CRISIS OF THE EU’S IDENTITY
(Chair: Dr Theodore Konstadinides, University of Surrey)

Professor Magnus Ryner, King’s College London
‘The International Political Economy or European Authoritarian Neo-Liberalism’

Dr Charalampos Kouroundis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
‘The Roots of the European Crisis: A Historical Perspective’

Dr Maria Tzanakopoulou, UCL
‘The EU from Below: Ruptures with the Neo-Liberal Consensus?’

Hent Kalmo, Université de Paris Nanterre
‘Nostalgia for the Future: The Eurocrisis and the End of Self-Fulfilling Europe’

12:30 Lunch

13:30 THE CRISIS AS A CRISIS OF DEMOCRATIC AND POLITICAL LEGITIMACY
(Chair: Dr Davor Jancic, Asser Institute)

Elia Alexiou, Université de Paris Nanterre
‘Who’s Afraid of the European Demos?: The Uneasy Relationship between European Union and Referenda as a Sign of Identity and Democratic Legitimacy Crisis’

Dr Petr Agha, University of Prague
‘The Empire of Principle’

Jorge Correcher Mira, University of Valencia
‘Ideological Crisis in the EU: Consequences in the Evolution of Crime and Penalty from the Political Economy of Punishment’

15:00 Coffee

15.15 THE CRISIS AS A NORMATIVE CRISIS OF THE EU ECONOMIC MODEL
(Chair: Dr Eva Nanopoulos, University of Cambridge)

Vanessa Bilancetti, University of Sheffield
‘The Organic Crisis of the EU: from EMU to the Fiscal Compact Why Alternatives are not able to Emerge?’
**FRIDAY 1st APRIL**

**09:00** THE CRISIS AS A STRUCTURAL CRISIS OF THE EU ECONOMIC MODEL  
(Chair: Fotis Vergis, University of Manchester)  
**Dr Pieter van Cleynenbreugel, University of Liège**  
‘The Failure of ‘Market Failure’? Rethinking the Role of Law in Post-Crisis EU Governance’  
**Dr Ewan McGaughey, KCL**  
‘The Cartel at the Heart of Europe’  
**Dr Gunnar Beck, SOAS University of London**  
‘The Rise of Unaccountable Government in the Eurozone’  
**Professor John Ryan, LSE**  
‘The European Central Bank’s lack of Democratic Legitimacy as a Serious Flaw’

**10:45** Coffee

**11:00** THE CRISIS AS A CRISIS OF THE EU’S SOCIAL MODEL  
(Chair: Professor Catherine Barnard, University of Cambridge)  
**Dr Roland Erne, University College Dublin**  
‘How to Analyse a Supranational Regime that Nationalizes Social Conflict? The Crisis as both a Political Apotheosis and Analytical Crisis of Methodological Nationalism’  
**Professor Dimitris Dalakoglou, Vrije University Amsterdam**  
‘EU as Failed Materiality: Infrastructures, Borders and Crisis in Europe’

**12:15** Lunch

**13:15** PLENARY SESSION: CONNECTING THE THREADS AND WAY FORWARD  
(Chair: Professor Kenneth Armstrong, University of Cambridge)  
‘Institutional, Normative and Substantive Deficiencies of Contemporary EU and the Risk of Regression or Disintegration’  
**Professor Brendan Simms, POLIS, Cambridge**  
**Dr Michael Wilkinson, LSE**  
**Professor Alex Callinicos, Kings College London**

**15:00** Close of Conference

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