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GRADUATE WORKSHOP

Democracy in the Time of Crisis

13th - 16th November, 2013

Charles University, Prague

The global economic crisis of 2008, followed immediately by the European sovereign debt crisis, has provoked lively debates about relations between politics and economics, between democracy the market and capitalism, as the role of leadership and values within democracy itself. Some authors argue that the current economic crisis was caused primarily by the neoliberal policy of deregulation of financial markets on both national and global level. In this context, the economic crisis may be considered as a mere consequence of a deeper political crisis of democracy. This conference aims to contribute to these debates about the current state and - future perspectives - of (liberal) democracy. Our workshop will run in parallel to this conference and it would be open to young European researchers and scholars from the fields of political theory, political science, as well as other social and human sciences. The conference will cover a wide range of themes, reflecting the interdisciplinary character of European research and the multifaceted nature of the issues which form current democracy, including: *neoliberalism and democracy; the crisis of the democratic left and the quest for alternatives to the (neo-) liberal paradigm; the political and de-politicisation; power domination and resistance; crisis of democratic representation and its alternative models; the future of the nation state in the context of European integration and globalisation; populism.*

WEDNESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

Venue: tbc.

AM Arrival of the participants

14.00 Welcome and Introduction
Dr Paul Flather (Oxford University)
Professor Nicholas Bunnin (Oxford University)

15.00 **Panel *Crisis in European Democracy***
Speaker: Professor Nicholas Bunnin (Oxford University)
Speaker Dr Paul Flather (Oxford University)

16.30 Coffee Break

17.00 **Graduate Presentations**
Speaker: tbc
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18.30 **Lecture:** *Divided Citizens : how to manage difference tbc.*
Speaker Professor Jan Sokol (Charles University Prague)

19.00 **Working Group Session I**
Conducted by Dr Paul Flather
Group A: *Is depoliticization and apathy the emerging problem?*
Group B: *How would you improve our current liberal structures and polity?*
Group C: *How can we bridge the so called democratic-deficit?*

19.45 Informal Drinks tbc.

20.30 Dinner venue tbc.

THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

Venue: Main Building Faculty of Arts at Palachovo sq

10.00 **Keynote Speech by Chantal Mouffe (University of Westminster)**

11.30 **Break**

13.30 **Panel Neoliberalism and Democracy**
Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 1

Speaker: Mr Jaroslav Fiala *Making the "People's Capitalism"*

Speaker: Mr Štefek Kňapová *Democracy without Demos?*

Speaker: Mrs Andea Filetti *Equality(ies) for Democracy(ies)*

Speaker: Mr Pelin Ayan Mussil *Does Antagonism Precede Agonism?*

- **Panel The Political and Depoliticization**
Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 2

Speaker: Mr Benajmin Bowman *The Everyday Politics and Depoliticization*

Speaker: Mrs Sophie Menasse *Depoliticized Politics and the Politicization of the A-Political*

Speaker: Mr Babrak Ibrahimy *The Concept of Political*

Speaker: Mrs Marie Paxton *Institutional Deficit within Three Strands of Agonistic Democracy*

- **Panel The Crisis of Democratic Representation and its Alternative Models**
Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 3

Speaker: Mr Zouhar Dvořák Novák *The Effect of Direct Democracy on Turnout*

Speaker: Mr Romain Bonnet *Voting in Italy and in the Spanish Second Republic*

Speaker: Mr Jan Kleine *The Crisis of Democratic Representation*

Speaker: Mr Ruthan Yalciner *Provocative Democracy*

16.00 **Coffee Break**

16.15 **Panel Neoliberalism and Democracy**
Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 1

Speaker: Mr Teodor Gyelnik *How Neoliberalism Empties the Democratic Ethos?*

Speaker: Mrs Telebranche Delport *Democracy in Common*

Speaker: Mr Jiří Krejčík *Neoliberalism as a Companion of Cultural Nationalism: Ethno-Religious Conflict in India*

- **Panel: The Political and Depoliticization**
Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 2

Speaker: Mr Matthias Lievens *Monetary Sovereignty, Trust and Community: On the Political Dimension of the Institution of Money*

Speaker: Mr Hendryk Kempt *Asymmetric Demobilization as Symbol of Postdemocracy*

Speaker: Mr Filip Biały *Agonistic Democracy*

• **Panel : The Crisis of Democratic Representation and its Alternative Models**

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 3

Speaker: Mr Ján Koper *On the Origins of the Crisis of the Representative Principle*

Speaker: Mr Gayil Talshir *Spheres of Democracy*

Speaker: Mr Marc Woons *Power, Justice and Nationalism in Expanding EU*

Speaker: Mrs Joanna Ziółkowska *Reflections*

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15 – MORNING

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 3

9.00 Panel Power, Domination & Resistance

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 3

Speaker: Mr Arnošt Novák *Non-Hegemonic Politics*

Speaker: Mrs Shelley Campbell *The Economic and Cultural Crisis: The Role of Art*

Speaker: Mr Jan Májiček *The Occupy Movement Between Agonism and Antagonism*

• **Panel Populism**

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 1

Speaker: Mr Erik Leško *Postdemocracy*

Speaker: Mrs Emanuela Leonardi *Populism as Adaptation*

Speaker: Mr Fabio Wolkenstein *On What Grounds Can We Oppose Populism?*

11.00 Coffee Break

11.15 Panel The Political and Depoliticization

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 2

Speaker: Mr Evžen Martínek *Animosity or Friendship as the Essence of Politics and the Problem of Democracy in Aristotle and Schmitt in the Context of the Present Depoliticization Debate Postdemocracy*

Speaker: Mr Michael Hauser *Populism as Adaptation*

Speaker: Mr Fabio Wolkenstein *The Liberal-Democratic Antinomy*

• **Panel Power, Domination & Resistance**

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room

Speaker: Mrs Jalali, Silva *Do They Really Know Us?*

Speaker: Mr Jakub Jakubowski *Political CMC*

• **Panel VII Populism**

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 1

Speaker: Mrs Aurelien Mondon *The Extreme Right's Battle for Hegemony*

Speaker: Mr Jackson Reese Faust *When Populism Goes Right*

12.30 Lunch Break

13.30 Panel Neoliberalism and Democracy

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 1

Speaker: Mrs Giulia Pastorella *Technocratic Governments: Democracy by Other Means?*

Speaker: Mrs Mäkelä Walsh *Austerity Obligations: Citizenship and Just War Theory*

Speaker: Mr Jiří Růžička *Marginalist Theory as Neoliberalism's Scientific Theory*

Speaker: Mr Tomáš Rakonczay Giulia Pastorella *Neo-Liberal Governmentality*

• **Panel *The Crisis of the Democratic Left and the Quest for Alternatives to the (Neo)Liberal Paradigm***

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 2

Speaker: Mrs Barbora Čapinská *Discursive Representation of System Alternatives*

Speaker: Mr Mark Chou *Post-National Democide and the Occupy Movement*

Speaker: Mr Asger Sørensen *The Necessity of Experiencing Freedom and Government*

• **Panel 6: *The Future of the Nation State in the Context of European Integration and Globalisation***

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 2

Speaker: Mr Paul Linden-Retek *Solidarity in Liquid Times*

Speaker: Mrs Federica Martini *The New Possible Face of Democracy*

Speaker: Mr Mihai Dinescu *EU Democratic Deficit*

16.00 Coffee Break

16.15 Panel *Neoliberalism and Democracy*

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 1

Speaker: Mr Petr Krčál *Neoliberal Myths*

Speaker: Mr Jiří Mertl *Neoliberal Reforms*

Speaker: Mr Vladimír Naxera *Neoliberal Reforms:*

• **Panel *The Crisis of the Democratic Left and the Quest for Alternatives to the (Neo)Liberal Paradigm***

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 3

Speaker: Mr Marcin Zgiep *Beyond Liberalism*

Speaker: Mr Daniel Layman *Democracy and Legitimacy in Two Versions of Republicanism*

Speaker: Mr Bartosz Rydlinsky *Economic Crisis as a Factor of the Neoliberal Policy in Poland*

• **Panel *The Future of the Nation State in the Context of European Integration and Globalisation***

Venue: Jinonice Campus Room 2

Speaker: Mrs Jarmila Androvičová *Migration in the Current Political Discourse*

Speaker: Mr Peter Téglas *Change of the Paradigm of European Civic Identity*

Speaker: Mr Josef Stískala *Fiscal Risk Sharing as a Source of Euro-Federalists' Power*

18.15 Closure of conference

SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER (PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING IS TO BE CONFIRMED)

09.30 Working Group - Session II

Conducted by Dr Paul Flather

Groups A, B, C, D.

10.30 Graduate Presentations I

11.30 Coffee Break

11.45 Plenary Reports for Graduate Working Groups

Groups A, B, C, D.

Followed by discussion

12.45 Conclusions

13.00 Departures p