10th Annual

Claremont-UC Undergraduate Research Conference on the European Union



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Conference Program

Thursday, April 12, 2012

3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Check-In (Claremont Doubletree Hotel)

Shuttle Transfer from Claremont Doubletree Hotel to Scripps College 4:45 – 5:00 p.m.

gather outside front entrance of hotel at 4:45pm

5:00 – 5:45 p.m. Conference Registration and Reception (Hampton Room)

5:45 - 6:00 p.m. Welcome by Professor Jennifer Taw, EU Center Associate Director

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Dinner (Scripps College dining hall) **Session 1: Panel Presentations** 7:00 - 8:45 p.m.

Shuttle Returns to Claremont Doubletree Hotel 8:45 – 9:00 p.m.

Friday, April 13, 2012

6:00 – 10:30 a.m. Breakfast (Claremont Doubletree Hotel)

Shuttle Transfer from Claremont Doubletree Hotel to Scripps College 8:15 – 8:30 a.m.

8:45 – 10:30 a.m. **Session 2: Panel Presentations** 10:45 – 12:30 p.m. **Session 3: Panel Presentations**

12:30 p.m. Lunch (Scripps Dining Hall)

Please bring your lunch from the dining hall to the Keynote Address

Keynote Address: "Euro Crisis: From Muddling Through to Getting Through?" 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

by Professor Brigid Laffan, University College Dublin

Location: Hampton Room

Session 4: Panel Presentations 2:15 – 4:00 p.m. **Session 5: Panel Presentations** 4:15 - 6:00 p.m. Dinner (Scripps College dining hall) 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Closing Reception and Awards (Hampton Room) 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. Shuttle Returns to Claremont Doubletree Hotel 8:00pm

Saturday, April 14, 2012

6:00 – 11:30 a.m. Breakfast (Claremont Doubletree Hotel)

Hotel Check-Out – Please check out by noon, otherwise you will be billed for extra 12:00 noon

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Session 1 | Thursday, 7:00-8:45 pm

Panel 1 | CFSP in the Global System

Discussant: Beverly Crawford (UC Berkeley)

Panel Location: Hampton Room, Malott Commons

- From Perpetrator to Protector: German Foreign Policy Post-Reunification Kaitlin Sandin, Gonzaga University
- 2. Exploring European Security and Defense Policy (ESDP): A Better Understanding of the European Union's Purpose *Kim Starfield, Dickinson College*
- 3. Security Implications of European Enlargement: The Case of Turkey
 Katherine Tanner, Southwestern University
 Elizabeth Beutel, Transylvania University

Panel 2 | Demography and Science Policy

Discussant: Scot Gould (W.M. Keck Science, Claremont Colleges)

Panel Location: Humanities 202

- 1. The Power of People: How Europe's Demographic Crisis Will Undermine its Ability to Rise Rebecca Somple, Dickinson College
- 2. Biodiversity in the Fray: The European Union's Struggle to Protect a Common Resource *Matthew Espie, American University*
- 3. Nuclear Energy: A Viable Energy Source to Achieve the Goals of the EU Energy 2020?

 Allison Jones, Scripps College

Panel 3 | Europe and International Business

Discussant: Steven Casper (Keck Graduate Institute)

Panel Location: Humanities 121

- 1. When Europe hits home: Business Associations between 'Europeanization' and 'Internationalization' *Alexander El Alaoui, UCLA*
- 2. The Effects of Early Stage Venture Capital Syndication on IPO Exits in Europe and the U.S. Rosabella Magat, Claremont McKenna College
- 3. The EU-China Economic Relationship in the Realm of the Global Economy & Politics Chris Yoon, University of Southern California
- 4. Rethinking FDI: China's Move Into Europe John Harris, Brigham Young University

Session 2 | Friday, 8:45-10:30 am

Panel 4 | EU and its Political Institutions

Discussant: Mai'a Cross (University of Southern California)
Panel Location: Humanities 121

- 1. An Analysis of Federalism and Intergovernmentalism in Europe
 - Christopher Coffman, Christopher Newport University
- 2. The Treaty of Lisbon and its Enhancement of the European Union's Democratic Legitimacy

 Melissa-Melody Marcan, University of Florida
- 3. Peer Pressure: Social Psychology and the Political and Security Committee

 Bryce Comstock, Gonzaga University
- 4. Participation in the European Parliament: What makes MEPs participate?

 Jeffrey Ziegler, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Panel 5 | (Im)migration and Border Control

Discussant: Phil Zuckerman (Pitzer College)

Panel Location: Hampton Room, Malott Commons

- The Schengen Agreement: How a Conversation on Border Control Shaped the Harmonization of Asylum Policies in Europe
 - April Weathers, Claremont McKenna College
- 2. International Perspective and the Common European Union Asylum System

 Emilee Sahli, University of Washington-Seattle
- 3. Public Opinion on Immigration and Integration Andreas Jozwiak, Trinity University
- 4. The Economic and Legal Influences on the Brain Drain in Spain
 - Stephanie Lester, Scripps College
- 5. Maintaining Cultural Relevance of Football in the EU *Nicholas Dall, University of Utah*

Panel 6 | International Influence of the EU

Discussant: Jennifer Taw (Claremont McKenna College)
Panel Location: Humanities 202

- 1. The European Union: A Model for Supranational Progress
 - Jacqueline Rosen, University of Southern California
- 2. The European Union: Influential as a model for the African Union
 - Neriah Yue, University of Southern California
- 3. The European Union in the Quartet: Is the EU an Accepted and Effective Actor in the Middle East Peace Process
 - Cassandra Emmons, Temple University
- 4. Euro-Skepticism in the United Kingdom: The European Union's Attack on National Sovereignty

 Bryce Luttenegger, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- To Act and Not be Acted Upon: A Look at State-Building in Bosnia Kurt Hepler, Brigham Young University

Session 3 | Friday, 10:45 am-12:30 pm

Panel 7 | Liberties and Rights

Discussant: Thomas Ilgen (Pitzer College)

Panel Location: Humanities 121

- Press Freedom in the European Union and Candidate Countries
 Stephanie Benedict, The George Washington University
- 2. Internet Governance in the European Union
- Emily Chesbrough, Scripps College
- 3. European Social Integration and Animal Rights *Viktoriya Guseva, University of Colorado, Boulder*

Panel 8 | Educational Issues

Discussant: Hans Rindisbacher (Pomona College)

Panel Location: Humanities 202

- Volney and the Advent of Modern History: Nationality Identity and Education in Revolutionary France Emily Allen, Pomona College
- 2. Civic Education and Youth Voter Turnout: The Federated States of Germany during Elections for the European Parliament

 Allison Torline, Indiana University
- 3. Impact of the 2011 World Cup on Women's Soccer in Europe *Lillian Barrett-O'Keefe, Pitzer College*

Panel 9 | Challenges to a CFSP

Discussant: Wade Jacoby (Brigham Young University)

Panel Location: Hampton Room

- The Neofunctionalist Explanation: How is the European Union's Common Foreign Security Policy (CFSP) limited by a neofunctionalist approach to European unification?
 - Laura Bladow, University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2. Identity & EU Foreign and Security Policy Kyle Jacobsen, University of Southern California
- 3. The Uncommonness of the European Common Foreign and Security Policy Teodora Latinska, University of Florida
- 4. The Road Less Traveled: Integrating Security Policy through the CSDP Clara Purk, University of Southern California
- 5. EU Internal Security: Sovereignty Barriers and Progress in Light of Threats
 Hilary Albright, University of Southern California

Session 4 | Friday, 2:15-4:00 pm

Panel 10 | Inequality and EU Regional Policy

Discussant: Patricia Dillon (Scripps College)

Panel Location: Humanities 121

- 1. Post-Accession Inequality and Distrust

 Adam Howard, University of Southern California
- 2. Neither Separate Nor Equal: The Current Extent of Inequality Between E.U. Member-states, and How It Can Be Reduced

Brady Garrison, Christopher Newport University

- 3. Cohesion Policy in the European Union: Facilitated by Supranational Institutions and Regional Autonomy or Hindered by National Sovereignty?

 Caitlin Daw, The George Washington University, The Elliot School of International Affairs
- 4. Reevaluating European Regional Policy *Ilke Denizli, Rutgers University*

Panel 11 | Eastern Europe

Discussant: Branislav Radeljic (University of East London)
Panel Location: Hampton Room

- Grander than Greece: Political Careers in the European Union
 - Zachary Arace, Case Western Reserve University
- 2. The EU as a Democracy Promoter: Can the EU Use Albania's Ambitions for Membership to Strengthen Democracy in the Balkans

 Joana Allamani, Oakland University
- 3. Building a Better Bosnia: Gender and State-Building in the Balkans
 - Taylor Jacoby, Brigham Young University
- 4. A Strong State: the Antidote for Corruption in the Post-Communist World Cristina Petrisor, Brigham Young University

Session 5 | Friday, 4:15-6:00 pm

Panel 12 | Public Finance and the Debt Crisis

Discussant: Brigid Laffan (University College Dublin)

Panel Location: Hampton Room

- 1. A Case for a Financial Transaction Tax in the European Union
 - Stephanie Schneider, University of Pittsburgh
- 2. The Feasibility and Efficiency of an EU-Coordinated Financial Transaction Tax Yewande Alade, Swarthmore College
- 3. The Greek Sovereign Debt Crisis: Causes, Solutions, and **Implications** Shelby Woods, University of Washington
- 4. Crisis of Coherency: The Eurozone Crisis Two Years On Brendan Bordelon, UC Riverside
- 5. Neofunctionalism and the Sovereign Debt Crisis Andrew Foster, Pomona College

Panel 13 | EU-Turkey Relations

Discussant: Jeffrey Pennington (UC Berkeley)

Panel Location: Humanities 121

- 1. EU Membership: Turkey's Ongoing Struggle for Accession Mark Saari & Melanie Fedorchuk, Algoma University
- 2. European Expansion: The Case of Turkey Travis J. Nelson, CSU, Monterey
- 3. Disadvantages to Turkey's EU Accession: Turkish Perspective Madison Campbell & Elisa DeMartino, **University of Washington**
- 4. EU-Turkish Relations and the Impending Cyprus Presidency Erika Volino, University of Colorado, Boulder

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