

# 2nd Conference on the Political Economy of International Organizations

## Conference Program

January 29-31, 2009 at Auditorium Jacques Freymond (AJF), Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (IHEID, 132, rue de Lausanne)  
Geneva, Switzerland

### Thursday, 29.1.09

- 08.55-09.00      Opening / Introduction
- 09.00-10.00      **Keynote 1: Richard Baldwin** (Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva), Does the Supply and Demand for Decision Making Affect the Flow of EU Legislation?
- 10.00-10.15      Coffee Break
- 10.15-11.45      **Session 1: The Political Economy of the EU (I)**  
Chair: Lawrence Broz
- Michael Bechtel** (ETH Zurich), Gerald Schneider (University of Konstanz), The Intergovernmental Politics of the European Defense Industry: Stock Market Reactions of the Armament Sector to EU Summits, 1993-2005, Discussion: Leslie Johns (University of California, Los Angeles), Christoph Moser (ETH Zurich)
- Mika Widgrén** (Turku School of Economics), Stefan Napel (University of Bayreuth), Strategic and Non-strategic Power in the EU Council-Commission Interaction, Discussion: Nikitas Konstantinidis (Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals), Silvia Marchesi (University of Milano Bicocca)
- Christophe Crombez** (Stanford University), Simon Hix (London School of Economics and Political Science), Government-Opposition in the EU: Implications of EU Treaty Reforms for Commission Preferences and EU Policies, Discussion: Susanne Lechner (University of Goettingen), Roland Vaubel (University of Mannheim)
- 12.00-13.30      Lunch

13.30-15.00

**Session 2: The Political Economy of the UN**

Chair: Thomas Bernauer

**Christopher Kilby** (Villanova University), Donor influence in International Financial Institutions: Deciphering what alignment measures measure, Discussion: Nathan Jensen (Washington University in St. Louis), Afees Salisu (University of Ibadan)

**Carmela Lutmar** (Princeton University), The Political Economy of UN Nation-Building 1946-2000, Discussion: Levent Atesoglu (Eylul University), Gjovalin Macaj (Vrije Universiteit Brussel)

**Nathan Jensen** (Washington University in St. Louis), Axel Dreher (University of Goettingen), Country or Leader? Political Change and UN General Assembly Voting, Discussion: Levent Atesoglu (Eylul University), Carmela Lutmar (Princeton University)

15.00-15.15

Break

15.15-16.45

**Session 3: The Political Economy of IGOs**

Chair: Axel Dreher

**Randall Stone** (University of Rochester), Informal Governance – International Organizations and the Limits of U.S. Power, Discussion: Afees Salisu (University of Ibadan), Bruno Frey (University of Zurich)

**Michael Tierney** (College of William and Mary), Daniel Maliniak (University of California, San Diego), Do Foreign Publics Really Care About IO Approval? Discussion: Kizzy Gandy (Australian National University), James Vreeland (Yale University)

**Tamar Gutner** (American University), Alexander Thompson (Ohio State University), Explaining IO Performance: An Initial Framework, Discussion: Macaj Gjovalin (Vrije Universiteit Brussel), Lena M. Schaffer (ETH Zurich)

16.45-17.15

Coffee Break

17.15-18.45

**Session 4: The Political Economy of International Disputes**

Chair: Katharina Michaelowa

**Roland Vaubel** (University of Mannheim), Constitutional Courts as Promoters of Political Centralization: Lessons for the European Court of Justice, Discussion: Tana Johnson (University of Chicago), Joost Pauwelyn (Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva)

**Leslie Johns** (University of California, Los Angeles), **Michael Gilligan** (New York University), **B. Peter Rosendorff** (New York University), **Strengthening International Courts and the Early Settlement of Disputes**, Discussion: **Simon Hug** (University of Geneva), **Roland Vaubel** (University of Mannheim)

**Thomas Bernauer** (ETH Zurich), **Thomas Sattler** (New York University), **Litigation in the World Trade Organization: Power of Gravity or Power of Discrimination?** Discussion: **Alexander Keck** (WTO), **Stephanie J. Rickard** (Dublin City University)

19.15 Dinner

**Friday, 30.1.09**

9.00-10.00 **Keynote 2: Graham Bird** (University of Surrey), **Key Notes on the IMF: Major or Minor?**

10.00-10.15 Coffee Break

10.15-11.45 **Session 5: IOs and the natural environment**  
Chair: Simon Hug

**Thomas Bernauer**, **Anna Kalbhenn**, **Vally Koubi**, **Gabriele Ruoff** (ETH Zurich), **International Entanglement and Contingent Behavior as Determinants of International Cooperation. Explaining Global Environmental Treaty Ratifications, 1950-2000**, Discussion: **Martin Gassebner** (ETH Zurich), **Elena Labastida** (University of Texas at Dallas)

**Gabriele Ruoff** (ETH Zurich), **Grow rich and clean up later? Membership in international organizations, international assistance and the provision of environmental quality in low- and middle-income countries**, Discussion: **Tamar Gutner** (American University), **Irfan Nooruddin** (Ohio State University)

**Lucas Beck**, **Thomas Bernauer**, **Anna Kalbhenn** (ETH Zurich), **Explaining the Spatial and Temporal Clustering of Water Quality Monitoring in Europe**, Discussion: **Matias Margulis** (McMaster University), **Tancredè Voituriez** (CIRAD)

12.00-13.30 Lunch

13.30-15.00

**Session 6: The Political Economy of the World Bank Group**

Chair: Roland Vaubel

Jacqueline Dürr, **Katharina Michaelowa**, Jürg Vollenweider (University of Zurich), Poverty Reduction Strategies, Democratization and the Role of the World Bank, Discussion: Christopher Kilby (Villanova University), Petia Kostadinova (University of Florida)

Axel Dreher (University of Goettingen), **James Vreeland** (University of Yale), Eric Werker (Harvard Business School), The costs of favoritism: Do international politics affect World Bank project quality? Discussion: Lawrence Broz (University of California, San Diego), Jürg Vollenweider (ETH Zurich)

**Todd Allee** (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), Clint Peinhardt (University of Texas at Dallas), The Reputational Effects of International Arbitration Institutions, Discussion: Stephanie J. Rickard (Dublin City University), Tana Johnson (University of Chicago)

15.00-15.15

Coffee Break

15.15-16.15

**Poster Session: Political Economy of International Organizations**

**Eugénia da Conceição-Heldt** (Humboldt Universität zu Berlin), Who Controls Whom: Dynamics of Power Delegation and Agency Losses in EU Trade Politics, Discussion: Christophe Crombez (Stanford University), Katja Rost (University of Zurich)

**Tana Johnson** (University of Chicago), Guilt by Association? The Link between Anti-U.S. Sentiment and the Legitimacy of Intergovernmental Organizations, Discussion: Peter Bernholz (University of Basel), Michael Tierney (College of William and Mary)

**Petia Kostadinova** (University of Florida), Trading for Aid: European Union Development and Pre-Accession Assistance, Discussion: Kizzy Gandy (Australian National University), Katharina Michaelowa (University of Zurich)

**Elena Labastida** (University of Texas at Dallas), Antidumping Institutional Design in the World Trade Organization, the European Community and the United States: Its Legal and Discretionary Power, Discussion: Joost Pauwelyn (Duke University), Gabriele Ruoff (ETH Zurich)

**Matias Margulis** (McMaster University), Theories of International Bargaining and the World Trade Organization: The Case of Agricultural Export Subsidies Elimination, Discussion: Todd Allee (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), Anna Kalbhenn (ETH Zurich)

Tobias Hofmann (College of William & Mary), **Lena M. Schaffer** (ETH Zurich), Monetary Union and Obfuscated Protection in the European Union, Discussion: Leonardo Baccini (New York University), J. Lawrence Broz (University of California, San Diego)

**Tancrède Voituriez** (CIRAD), Why did 'Development' entrap the WTO Doha Round? Discussion: Thomas Bernauer (ETH Zurich), Randall Stone (University of Rochester)

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### **Session 7: The Political Economy of the EU (II)**

Chair: Randall Stone

**Leonardo Baccini** (New York University), Cheap Talk and Transparency: Explaining the Bilateral Trade Agreements with the EU, Discussion: Heiner Mikosch (ETH Zurich), Michael Bechtel (ETH Zurich)

**Thomas König** and Lars Mäder (University of Mannheim), Complying correct and on time. An empirical study of member states' compliance record in the transposition of EC directives, Discussion: Clifford Carrubba (Emory University), Peter Rosendorff (New York University)

Clifford Carrubba (Emory University), **Matthew Gabel** (Washington University in St. Louis), Simon Hug (University of Geneva), Voting at the surface Roll call votes in the European Parliament, Discussion: Eugénia da Conceição-Heldt (Humboldt Universität zu Berlin), Thomas König (University of Mannheim)

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Conference Dinner

## **Saturday, 31.1.09**

9.00-10.00

**Keynote 3: Helen V. Milner** (Princeton University), International Governance, Globalization and Development: The Role of International Institutions in North-South Relations

10.00-10.15

Coffee Break

10.15-11.45

**Session 8: The Political Economy International (NGO-) Unions**

Chair: James Vreeland

**Nikitas Konstantinidis** (Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals), The Size and Scope of International Unions: A Coalition-Theoretic Approach, Discussion: Susanne Lechner (University of Goettingen), Mika Widgrén (Turku School of Economics)

Bruno S. Frey, Emil Inauen, Margit Osterloh, **Katja Rost** (University of Zurich), The corporate governance of Benedictine abbeys – What can stock corporations learn from monasteries? Discussion: Jürg Vollenweider (ETH Zurich), Peter Bernholz (University of Basel)

**Susanne Lechner**, Renate Ohr (University of Goettingen), The right of withdrawal in the Lisbon treaty: a game theoretic view on changed decision-making processes within the EU, Discussion: Clifford Carrubba (Emory University), Mika Widgrén (Turku School of Economics)

12.00-13.30

Lunch

13.30-14.30

**Session 9: The Political Economy of the IMF**

Chair: Bruno Frey

**Irfan Nooruddin** (Ohio State University), Heeding the Sirens: Why some States Enter IMF Programs Sooner than Others, Discussion: Axel Dreher (University of Goettingen), Christopher Kilby (Villanova University)

**Silvia Marchesi** (University of Milano Bicocca), Laura Sabani (University of Florence), Axel Dreher (University of Goettingen), Agency and communication in IMF conditional lending: theory and empirical evidence, Discussion: Stephanie J. Rickard (Dublin City University), Randall Stone (University of Rochester)

14.30-14.45

Coffee Break

14.45-16.15

**Session 10: Political Economy of International Monetary Regimes**

Chair: Michael Tierney

**Michael Ehrmann**, Marcel Fratzscher (European Central Bank), Politics and Monetary Policy, Discussion: Michael Bechtel (ETH Zurich), Matthew Gabel (Washington University in St. Louis)

**J. Lawrence Broz** (University of California, San Diego), Michael Plouffe (University of California, San Diego), The Effectiveness of Monetary Policy Anchors: Firm-Level Evidence, Discussion: Michael Ehrmann (European Central Bank), Thomas Sattler (New York University)

**Peter Bernholz** (University of Basel), Are International Organizations Like the BIS Unable to Die? A Historical Case Study of the BIS, Discussion: Graham Bird (University of Surrey), Michael Tierney (College of William and Mary)

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Concluding remarks / Aperó