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## UPDATE IN BRIEF

### LISBOAN Awards

Alejandro Ribo-Labastida and Bruno Scholl were selected for this year's "LISBOAN Award for Outstanding Teaching". The book *Freedom, Security and Justice after Lisbon and Stockholm* edited by Sarah Wolff, Flora Goudappel and Jaap de Zwaan was selected for this year's "LISBOAN Award for Outstanding Research" (see page 2).

### Workshop "EU external representation in international contexts: reform practices after Lisbon"

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### Workshop "European Citizenship after Lisbon: the Concept and the Reality"

... was organised by The Federal Trust for Education and Research and took place in London on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012 (see page 2).

### \*\*\* Save the dates\*\*\*

### Second Annual LISBOAN Conference

... will take place in Brussels on 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> May 2012 (see page 2).

### Workshop "EU Enlargement Policy after Lisbon"

... is organised by Professor Atila Eralp and will take place in Ankara on 29<sup>th</sup>- 30<sup>th</sup> May 2012 (see page 5).

### PhD Summer School "Europe in the World"

... is organised by Professor Ian Manners and will take place in Lisbon on 18<sup>th</sup>- 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012 (see page 4).

### Workshop "Relevance of the European External Action Service for the EU's policies towards South East Europe"

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## NEWS FROM THE NETWORK

### **LISBOAN Awards**

LISBOAN offers annual awards for excellence in teaching and research on the Treaty of Lisbon. The selection committees for the teaching and the research award, headed by Prof. Lenka Rovna (Charles University Prague) and Prof. Brigid Laffan (University College Dublin), respectively, had to choose from several excellent candidates. The book *Freedom, Security and Justice after Lisbon and Stockholm* edited by Sarah Wolff, Flora Goudappel and Jaap de Zwaan was selected for the “LISBOAN Award for Outstanding Research” and the simulation game “EU Response to Security Threats” by Alejandro Ribo-Labastida and Bruno Scholl at the College of Europe for the “LISBOAN Award for Outstanding Teaching”, respectively. Congratulations!

Each award is endowed with a prize of EUR 1.500. The award ceremony will take place during the annual conference in Brussels on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2012 ([Link](#)).

### **Report: 2<sup>nd</sup> LISBOAN Guest Lecture**

*“The Role of the National Parliaments in the EU”*

Thomas Christiansen, Jean Monnet Professor of European Institutional Politics at the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at Maastricht University visited the Institute for International Relations (IMO) Zagreb. Hosted by Visnja Samardzija from the IMO, Prof. Christiansen gave a guest lecture on “The Role of the National Parliaments in the EU” which was held at the Croatian Parliament on the 16th of April. The event was targeted primarily for Croatian MPs but was open to academic audience as well. ([Link](#)).

### **Workshop Report: “EU external representation in international contexts: reform practices after Lisbon”**

The workshop, which was held by the Institute of International Relations Clingendael and the Leuven University, took place in the Hague on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2012. The main objective was to gain a better insight into what the EU is and does in international organisations and regimes. After the keynote speeches, which were delivered by the Head of the Multilateral Relations Division of the EEAS Kristin De Peyron and the MEP Hans van Baalen, the participants discussed in parallel working groups topics such as the EU representation in general and in some international organisations in particular, and the diplomatic services of middle-sized Member States. ([Link](#)).

### **Workshop Report: “European Citizenship after Lisbon: the Concept and the Reality”**

The Federal Trust for Education and Research organised a workshop on the European Citizenship, which took place in London on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012. The workshop was divided into three sessions. The first one dealt with the political and intellectual underpinning of the concept 'European Citizenship' and resulted in a debate whether there can be a European citizenship in parallel to the national one. The second session concerned the practical impact of rights arising from European citizenship for individuals, such as the right of free movement. The last session focused on the relationship between European citizenship and parliamentary representation, also including the current Euro crisis which is posing challenges to parliamentary accountability. ([Link](#)).

## UPCOMING LISBOAN EVENTS

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference**

The second annual conference of the LISBOAN network will be held on 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> May 2012 in Brussels. The programme will include a General Assembly, Plenary Sessions as well as intensive Working Group meetings.

*Thursday, May:10<sup>th</sup>* Start at 11 am, General Assembly, Lunch, First set of Working Group Sessions (three out of seven), Second Set of Working Group Sessions (four out of seven), Public lecture.

The seven Working Group sessions will be organized by Work Package Leaders and address one of the following overarching areas. In order to foster exchange and cooperation across disciplines, each conference participant will be able to participate in two different Working Group sessions.

### **Working Group Workpackage I “The EU’s Institutional Framework Post Lisbon”**

*Variable geometry and multiple methods:  
can the institutions keep their balance?*

The working group led by Edward Best will deal with differentiation and its impact on the institutions of the European Union. Panelists are Richard Corbett, Member of the Cabinet of the President of the European Council; Sabina Kajnč, European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA); Antonio Missiroli, Bureau of European Policy Advisers, European Commission (tbc) and Rafał Trzaskowski, Member of the European Parliament (EPP). Brendan Donnelly, Director of the Federal Trust, London will serve as discussant.

### **Working Group of Workpackage III “Economic and Financial Policy”**

*Over at last? Prospects for restoring  
economic stability in the eurozone and the  
EU*

Financial, economic and sovereign debt crises have called into question macro-economic and monetary integration in Europe in general and the future of the eurozone in particular. Despite of some recent signs of improvement, worries over an EMU with high debt are still prevalent. At the same time, the consequences of reforms agreed in response to the crises are only gradually becoming visible. Hence, the Working

Group’s aim is to discuss the new governance framework from an economic perspective, highlighting linkages to the political and social spheres and identifying the prospects and possible challenges for an “economic Union out of necessity”.

Introductory Statements: Iain Begg, London School of Economics; Zsolt Darvas, Bruegel, Brussels; Daniel Gros, Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels

### **Working Group of Workpackage IV “The Lisbon Treaty in a short, medium and long term perspective”**

*Crises in EU history: Lessons of the past?*

The Working Group will discuss the experiences of past crises in EU history: In what respect the current crisis is different from earlier crises? Is it useful to distinguish between “crises of integration” and “crises in integration”? How the different crises have influenced the development of the EU? And what about crisis management? Can good and bad examples of such a management be identified? Which would be the criteria to distinguish “good” from “bad” management? To stimulate the debate on these questions the Working Group will start with two presentations: Prof. Dr. Michael Gehler, Hochschule Hildesheim on *Challenges and Opportunities. Surmounting Integration Crises in Historical Context* and Prof. Dr. Wilfried Loth, Universität Duisburg-Essen on *Who did prevail in the crisis of the „empty-chair“? New findings about the archetype of EC/EU-crises.*

### **Working Group of Workpackage V “Area of Freedom, Security and Justice”**

*The Role of the European Parliament in the  
Area of Freedom, Security and Justice after  
Lisbon*

This working group will be chaired by Paul Luif, Institute for Austrian Institute for International Affairs, Vienna. The discussion will revolve

around the role played by the European Parliament in the Area of Freedom Security and Justice after the Lisbon Treaty.

### **Working Group Workpackage VI “External Action and CFSP”**

#### *Researching and Teaching EU External Action Post-Lisbon*

The working group led by Ian Manners will exchange best practices in research-based teaching and discuss possibilities to enhance synergies between research and teaching as well as interdisciplinary offers for teaching methods and material regarding EU External Action, taking into account the changes brought about by the Lisbon Treaty.

Chair: *Kennet Lynggaard*, Roskilde University.

### **Working Group of Workpackage VII “The quasi-constitutional nature of the Lisbon Treaty”**

#### *Assessing the quasi constitutional nature of the Lisbon Treaty*

Following discussions in the first Working Group session under the title “Laying the foundations of a European Constitution”, the Second Working Group session will dwell upon the constitutional principles operating within the EU legal order, as enshrined in the Lisbon Treaty. Most notably the attention will focus on primacy, direct effect, conferral of powers, sharing of competences, subsidiarity and fundamental rights protection. In addition, the relationship between the national constitutional courts and the EU constitutional order will be analysed in order to verify possible existing tensions and establish the viability of the legal instruments put into place in order to overcome them. In this sense, the participation of practitioners from the Brussels area is strongly encouraged.

Introductory Statements:

Lucia S. Rossi, University of Bologna

Giacomo di Federico, University of Bologna

Federico Casolari, University of Bologna

### **Additional Working Group**

#### *Teaching the Lisbon Treaty: perspectives from different disciplines*

Based on discussions at the first LISBOAN annual conference mirrored also in the report of the project’s internal evaluators, and following an initiative by Prof. Eugene Eteris, the Steering Committee has decided to establish an additional Working Group on “Teaching Lisbon” at this year’s conference. The WG will be primarily based on discussion and sharing of experience among participants on the teaching of EU primary law for different audiences. Thus it invites participants to elaborate on the different approaches of teaching the Lisbon Treaty as a fundamental legal text to various specialists/disciplines.

*On Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>* **Catherine Day**, Secretary-General, European Commission, will give a Keynote Speech. Afterwards a Roundtable on *Governance in and of the crisis – lessons and options of Lisbon and beyond* will be held followed by the award ceremony (see p. for details). The conference will close with a Lunchtime debate.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> PhD School**

Each year a selection of PhD students from our member institutes have the opportunity to participate in a PhD school organised by the network’s members. Organised by our network partner Ian Manners (Roskilde University), this year’s Summer School “Europe in the World” will take place at the University of Lisbon, Portugal, 18<sup>th</sup>- 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012. The focus will be on the role of the EU as an international actor, the evolution and implications of the EU’s development and foreign policies before and after the Lisbon Treaty, but also on how the global environment affects EU policies and politics. ([Link](#)).

### **Workshop 1 of WP 6: External Action and CFSP**

The workshop is organised by **Professor Atila Eralp** and will take place in Ankara on 29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> May 2012.

#### *"EU Enlargement Policy after Lisbon"*

The workshop aims at analysing the most important changes brought about by the Lisbon Treaty, such as new actors and an extended institutional set-up, that have got a direct impact on the European enlargement policy. Furthermore, it will deal with current developments in neighbouring countries that represent a challenge for the EU in this policy area. ([Link](#)).

### **Workshop 2 of WP 6: External Action and CFSP**

The workshop held by **Dr. Visnja Samardzija and Dr. Hrvoje Butkovic** will take place in Dubrovnik on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

#### *"Relevance of the European External Action Service for the EU's policies towards South East Europe"*

The South-Eastern Europe represents a challenging geographic area for exercising a more unified EU approach, since it is the region where the EU explicitly claims a political and operational lead in a dense international field. This is particularly important given the still existing "soft-security" challenges such as ethnic tensions, terrorism, international organized crime and corruption, largely derived from the weak-state capacities that can dilute the effectiveness of the EU actorship in the region. The EEAS could help to maximize the EU presence and impact positive political developments on the region, policy-making and implementation. However, it is yet to be seen to which extent will the EEAS be confronted with the still dominant Member States' external competence ([Link](#)).

### **Guest Lectures**

#### *"Post-Lisbon inter-institutional relations and the role of the European Council"*

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Wessels (University of Cologne) will give a guest lecture on post-Lisbon role of the European Council at the Istituto Affari Internazionali on the 17<sup>th</sup> May 2012.

#### *"Euro-Mediterranean and Turkish foreign policy - Perspectives after Lisbon"*

Prof. Meltem Muftuler-Bac's (Sabanci University Istanbul) guest lecture will deal with the "Euro-Mediterranean and Turkish foreign policy - Perspectives after Lisbon". It will take place in Cologne on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2012.

### **Lecture Series**



The network funds guest lectures by network partners at other network institutions with up to €1.000 for travel, accommodation and other related costs. If you would like to make use of this opportunity, please contact Gunilla Herolf (WP Leader, [herolf@sipri.org](mailto:herolf@sipri.org)) or Tobias Kunstein ([tobias.kunstein@uni-koeln.de](mailto:tobias.kunstein@uni-koeln.de)).

## **NEWS FROM PARTNER INSTITUTIONS**

### **Past events**

#### **International conference: "Danube Strategy - An Impetus for Strengthening Regional Cooperation between Croatia, Hungary and Serbia", Zagreb**

The Institute for International Relations (IMO) in cooperation with the European Movement in Serbia and the Corvinus University, Budapest, organized an international conference on "Danube Strategy - An Impetus for Strengthening Regional Cooperation between Croatia, Hungary and Serbia" in Zagreb on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2011. This event was supported by the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung. ([Link](#))

### **Inauguration of the 6th issue of the international journal "L'Europe Unie"**

The Faculty of European Studies, Babes-Bolyai University, has held, together with their academic partners from the cities of Bistrita and Targu-Mures, the inauguration of the 6th issue of the international journal "L'Europe Unie", which is conceived in such a way as to include dedicated studies on the Lisbon Treaty (a sample issue from the previous years is attached to this e-mail).

### **Upcoming events**

#### **Academic Conference "Fundamental Rights in Europe and China between Identities and Universalism", 28-29 May 2012, Bologna**

An academic conference on "Fundamental Rights in Europe and China" promoted by Ad Personam Jean Monnet Chair and organised by C.I.R.D.E. with the support of C.E.S.L will take place in Bologna on 28-29 May, 2012. The conference addresses, perhaps for the first time, the issue of fundamental rights from the European and Chinese perspectives, a topic which has traditionally been considered a sort of taboo. The understanding of the core values enshrined in the respective legal systems can favour mutual comprehension and, thus a more fruitful dialogue in the future. ([Link](#))

#### **THESEUS Summer School 2012: The Future of EU Economic Governance, 2 – 6 July 2012, Brussels**

To promote interdisciplinary and international networks among a new generation of Europeans, each year the THESEUS Seminars look for 20 excellent young professionals and researchers to discuss European challenges with high-level experts and decision makers. The seminar will deal with the simulation of a European Council meeting debating the development and establishment of a European Economic Government. Hence, future scenarios are going to be discussed with academics and European practitioners. Three days of intensive preparation (including presentations of selected EU practitioners) will be followed by two days of the actual simulation exercise. Deadline: April 30, 2012.

For further information please visit [www.theseus-europe.net](http://www.theseus-europe.net)

#### **Expert's seminar on the Fiscal Compact Treaty, May 4 2012, Turin**

The expert seminar is organized by the Italian Institute of International Affairs (IAI) of Rome and the Centro Studi per il Federalismo (CsF) of Turin and will take place in Turin on May 4 2012.

#### **Round Table "Europe on Crossroads: From Athens to Paris", Plovdiv**

To commemorate the Europe Day on 7th May the Plovdiv University organizes a Round Table covering pressing issues of European politics – from the Greek debt crisis to the French presidential elections.

### **Call for Applications**

#### **Postdoctoral Fellow in International Studies**

The Vienna School of International Studies (Diplomatische Akademie Wien) proposes to appoint a Postdoctoral Fellow in International Studies for two years, ideally from 1 October 2012. Geared towards promoting the professional development of the appointee, the person appointed will focus on his/her own research as well as do a limited amount of graduate teaching. The successful candidate must hold - or have evidence of the imminent completion of - a doctorate in a relevant discipline such as Economics, History, Law, or Political Science. A record of research achievement at the international level, a strong agenda for future research and previous teaching experience - preferably at graduate level - are essential. Depending on seniority and experience, the postdoctoral fellow will be offered a yearly salary (before taxes and social security contribution) between EUR 33.000 and 39.000.

The Vienna School of International Studies is a professional school, specialized in the interdisciplinary training of graduate students, and an associate member of APSIA. The presence of international organizations in Vienna makes for excellent research opportunities, in

particular for research dealing with global governance and multilateralism broadly defined. For further details, please consult our website [www.da-vienna.ac.at](http://www.da-vienna.ac.at) or Dr Elisabeth Hofer ([elisabeth.hofer@da-vienna.ac.at](mailto:elisabeth.hofer@da-vienna.ac.at)). The **closing date for applications is noon on Friday, 25 May 2012**. Please send your curriculum vitae, three letters of recommendation, your research agenda, and teaching documentation to Dr Elisabeth Hofer, Vienna School of International Studies, Favoritenstr. 15a, 1040 Vienna, Austria.

### **Publications**

M. Comelli e Antonio Villafranca (a cura di) (2012), Il dibattito sulle prospettive dell'Ue e dell'Euro in Germania, Francia, Regno Unito e Spagna. (The debate on the perspectives of the EU and the Euro in Germany, France, the United Kingdom and Spain), Rome, Chamber of Deputies of the Italian Parliament, February 2012, p. 23 (Approfondimenti / Osservatorio di politica internazionale ; 50).

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