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## **Working Group Workpackage I**

The EU's Institutional Framework Post Lisbon (WP leader: Edward Best)

### **Agenda**

Thursday 10th May 2012

14.00 – 16.00 h

Fondation Universitaire, Rue d'Egmont 11

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

#### **Chair:**

*Edward Best*, European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA), LISBOAN work package leader on the institutional architecture

#### **Panelists:**

*Richard Corbett*, Member of the Cabinet of the President of the European Council

*Sabina Kajnc*, European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA)

*Antonio Missiroli*, Bureau of European Policy Advisers, European Commission (tbc)

*Rafał Trzaskowski*, Member of the European Parliament (EPP)

#### **Discussants:**

*Brendan Donnelly*, Director, Federal Trust

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## **Working Group Workpackage VI**

External Action and CFSP (WP leader: Ian Manners)

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

**Chair:** *Kennet Lynggaard*, Roskilde University

The LISBOAN network aims to strengthen cooperation between institutions of higher education and research in Europe with a view to teaching and researching the Treaty of Lisbon, the European Union's legal foundation since December 2009. While the first meeting of the External Action thematic working group focussed on researching the Treaty of Lisbon, this second meeting focuses on the links between the teaching and researching of the Treaty of Lisbon, with a particular emphasis on dissemination and communication.

#### **14:00-14:30: Teaching and researching External Action after Lisbon (general discussion):**

- Are there any members of the thematic working group who both teach and research External Action after Lisbon?
- What evidence is there of links between the teaching and researching of External Action after Lisbon?
- Are there any usable text books on the Lisbon Treaty, the EU after Lisbon, or External Action after Lisbon?
- What are the best methods to teach and research External Action after Lisbon?
- How will the textbook 'Research Methods in EU Studies' help overcome this gap between teaching and researching the EU after Lisbon?

#### **14:00-14:30: Disseminating and communicating External Action after Lisbon (general discussion):**

- Are there any members of the thematic working group who have been involved in disseminating and communicating knowledge about External Actions after Lisbon?
- What evidence is there of best practice in disseminating and communicating External Action after Lisbon?
- What evidence is there of the LISBOAN network contributing to knowledge about External Action after Lisbon?
- Can the LISBOAN workshops be used as the basis for producing a research-informed text that might improve dissemination and communication of External Action after Lisbon?
- Could members of the External Action thematic work group contribute to a research-informed text that might improve dissemination and communication of External Action after Lisbon?

#### **14:30-15:00: Future cooperation and activities (general discussion):**

- Future workshops
- Future conferences and panels
- Future dissemination and communication – planning a research-informed text on External Action after Lisbon

## **Working Group Teaching Lisbon**

Additional Working Group

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Thursday 10th May 2012

14.00 – 16.00 h

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

#### **Outline:**

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.

Possible questions to be discussed from the perspective of different disciplines:

- Conceivable audiences (for whom is the Lisbon treaty of relevance at all?)
- When introducing the Lisbon Treaty as an object of study, what is the starting point? One article, or rather secondary literature on the treaty?
- Is there a kind of ‘minimum knowledge’ one could expect from a first- second- third year student? Do students have to read the treaty text at all?
- What aspects of the Lisbon Treaty are relevant to all disciplines?
- What are the experiences with “alternative” methods (visual, slides, power points, written texts, simulation exercises, study trips)?
- How are examples of good teaching shared in the academic community?
- Would it be feasible to create a “model syllabus” or a model list of literature for each discipline?

#### **Introductory Statements:**

*Eugene Eteris*, Riga Stradins University

*Tobias Kunstein*, University of Cologne

*Alejandro Ribo Labastida*, College of Europe, LISBOAN Teaching Award winner 2012

*Bruno Scholl*, College of Europe, LISBOAN Teaching Award winner 2012 (tbc)

#### **Discussion**

## **Working Group Workpackage III**

Economic and Financial Policy (Workpackage Leader: András Inotai)

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16.30 – 18.30 h

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

#### **Outline:**

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”.

#### **Chair:**

*Andras Inotai*, Institute for World Economics, Budapest

#### **Introductory Statements:**

*Iain Begg*, London School of Economics

*Zsolt Darvas*, Bruegel, Brussels

*Daniel Gros*, Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels

#### **Discussion**

## **Working Group Workpackage IV**

The Lisbon Treaty in a courte, moyenne and longue durée perspective (WP leader: Wilfried Loth)

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Thursday 10th May 2012

16.30 – 18.30 h

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### **“Crises in EU history: Lessons of the past?”**

#### **Outline:**

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 the criteria to distinguish “good” from “bad” management?

#### **Speakers:**

To stimulate the debate on these questions the Working Group will start with two presentations:

*Michael Gehler*, Hochschule Hildesheim: Challenges and Opportunities. Surmounting Integration Crises in Historical Context

*Wilfried Loth*, Universität Duisburg-Essen: Who did prevail in the crisis of the „empty-chair“? New findings about the archetype of EC/EU-crisis

#### **Discussion**

## **Working Group Workpackage VII**

Quasi-constitutional nature of the Lisbon Treaty (WP leader: Lucia S. Rossi)

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

#### **Outline:**

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.

The third Working Group session in 2013 will be entitled “Towards a multi-level Constitution in the European Union” (2013)

#### **Introductory Statements:**

*Lucia S. Rossi*, University of Bologna

*Giacomo di Federico*, University of Bologna

*Federico Casolari*, University of Bologna

#### **Discussion**