

**A Roadmap for the Future of Europe:  
Differentiated Integration Within or Beyond the Legal Framework of the  
Lisbon Treaty**

Academic Conference  
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Vertretung der Freien und Hansestadt Hamburg  
Jägerstraße 1-3, 10117 Berlin

**PROGRAMME**

Although the Lisbon Treaty had been envisaged to settle the question of substantial reforms in the European Union, only four years later the EU is challenged to tackle the inefficiencies and deficits within its governance structures that have been exposed by the crises in the Eurozone. The Fiscal Compact, the Euro-Plus-Pact and enhanced cooperation with regard to the financial transaction tax give evidence of differentiated integration as prominent instrument for managing this challenge. Additionally, the new debate on the repatriation of competences fostered by the UK's Prime Minister's speech in January 2013 and the increasing South-North divide in terms of economic performance and political interests in Europe highlight the need to consider the future perspectives of the European integration process.

The aim of the academic conference is to debate a roadmap for the EU's future in terms of analyzing the possible ways out of the current crisis and discussing the different prospects for the future composition and structures of the European Union. Differentiated integration will have to feature prominently in this analysis. The following questions are relevant and will be discussed during the conference:

- The Political Union and differentiated integration? And how will the institutional architecture be affected?
- What role does differentiated integration play regarding the different EU policy areas?
- Will the Lisbon Treaty provide a sufficient legal base for further European integration? What are the benefits and perils of a substantial treaty revision including a Convention?
- What are the dividing lines in Europe? Managing the emerging North-South divide and keeping the UK on board?

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**Thursday, 19 September 2013**

**12:00**      **Arrival of participants, registration, sandwich lunch**

**12:45**      **Welcome and introduction into the topic**

Franz KLEIN, Director, Head of the Representation of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, Berlin

Prof. Dr. Michael KREILE, Chairman of the Academic Advisory Board of IEP; Humboldt-University Berlin

Prof. Dr. Mathias JOPP, Director of the Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP), Berlin

**13:15-14:45**      **Session I: Differentiated Integration: History and Theory**

*Chair: Prof. Dr. Rudolf HRBEK, University Tübingen*

Prof. Dr. Wilfried LOTH, University of Duisburg-Essen

Prof. Dr. Frank SCHIMMELFENNIG, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH), Zurich

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang WESSELS, University of Cologne

**14:45-15:15**      **Coffee break**

**15:15-16:45**      **Session II: Differentiated Integration: Legal Instruments Within and Beyond the Lisbon Treaty**

*Chair: Prof. Dr. Franz C. MAYER, University of Bielefeld*

Prof. Dr. Christian CALLIESS, Free University Berlin

Prof. Dr. Steven J. PEERS, School of Law, University of Essex

Prof. Dr. Lucia Serena ROSSI, University of Bologna

**16:45-17:15**      **Coffee break**

**17:15-18:45**      **Session III: Lessons from the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice**

*Chair: Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. mult. Peter-Christian MÜLLER-GRAFF, Ruprecht-Karls-University of Heidelberg*

Univ.-Doz. Dr. Paul LUIF, Austrian Institute for International Affairs (oiip), Vienna

Dr. Patryk PAWLAK, European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris

Dr. Funda TEKIN, Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP), Berlin

**19:00**      **Keynote Speech**

Dr. Arndt FREYTAG VON LORINGHOVEN, Director for EU Basic Issues, Community Policies and Strategic Coordination, Federal Foreign Office

**Reception**

**Friday, 20 September 2013**

**09:15-10:45**      **Session IV: Deepening EMU: An Interim Assessment of Instruments and Outcomes**

*Chair: Dr. Tobias KUNSTEIN, University of Cologne*

Prof. Dr. Ansgar BELKE, University of Duisburg-Essen

Dr. Reinhard FELKE, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin

Dr. Nicolai von ONDARZA, German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Berlin

**10:45-11:15**      **Coffee break**

**11:15-13:00**      **Session V: The Eurozone and its Eastern Neighbours**

*Chair: Prof. Dr. Gianni BONVICINI, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome*

Prof. Dr. Attila ÁGH, Budapest College of Communication

Dr. Vladimir HANDL, Institute of International Relations, Prague

Dr. Kai-Olaf LANG, German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Berlin

**13:00**      **Concluding Remarks and Farewell Speech**

Dr. Werner HOYER, President, European Investment Bank, Luxembourg

Prof. Dr. Michael KREILE, Chairman of the Academic Advisory Board of IEP; Humboldt-University Berlin

**13:20**      **Sandwich lunch**