

Joint Conference:

Renewing a Europe confronted by domestic and global challenges

Tuesday, 5th of November 2019

Conference Room, CEPS, Brussels

10:45 - 11:15 *Arrival and registration*

11:15 **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Cinzia Alcidi, CEPS

Helmut Anheier, Dahrendorf Academic Co-Director, Hertie School, Berlin

Iain Begg, Dahrendorf Academic Co-Director, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)

11:30 – 12:45 **Debate Panel 1**

Theme: Rethinking Integration and Responding to the National Question in Europe: A Debate

This panel debate explores the links between the resurgence of nationalist ideas and the challenges related to ‘immigrant integration’ as a nation-building project in Europe. It aims to facilitate a dialogue between scholars in migration studies and comparative politics to address the following questions: In light of growing societal diversity in Europe, can we conceive of ‘integration’ in a manner that does not reproduce boundaries and hierarchies between ‘immigrants’ and ‘natives’?, How much difference and overlap is there between ‘mainstream’ and radical-right approaches to integration issues?, Do we need to fundamentally rethink integration policy and governance to respond effectively to nationalist tendencies in Europe?

Panelists:

Josefin Graef, Dahrendorf Visiting Fellow, Hertie School, Berlin

Leila Hadj Abdou, Research Fellow at the Migration Policy Centre, European University Institute, Florence

Eve Hepburn, Director of policy research consultancy ‘PolicyScribe’, Edinburgh, Academic Fellow at the Scottish Parliament, Honorary Fellow at the University of Edinburgh’s Europa Institute

Marco Stefan, Research Fellow in Justice and Home Affairs Unit, CEPS

Moderator: Julia Himmrich, Dahrendorf Postdoctoral Fellow, LSE, London

12:45 – 13:45 *Lunch snack*

13:45 – 14:15 **In conversation**

Danuta Hübner, Member of the European Parliament and Member of the Dahrendorf Committee

with **Iain Begg**, Academic Co-Director of the Dahrendorf Forum and Professorial Research Fellow at the London School of Economics (LSE)

14:15 – 15:30 **Debate Panel 2**

Theme: Regaining trust, maintaining attitude - Challenges for journalism in populist conditions

This panel aims to discuss the challenges journalists face when confronted with populist rhetoric and action. It links these particular challenges to the state of crisis of the EU: Could journalism have prevented some of the polarization within Europe? What can be done by journalists on a national and European level?

Panelists:

Léonie de Jonge, Assistant Professor European Politics and Society, University of Groningen

Andrea Römmele, Dean of Executive Education and Professor for Communication in Politics and Civil Society, Hertie School, Berlin

Matina Stevis-Gridneff, Brussels Correspondent, New York Times

Moderator: Helmut K. Anheier, Academic Co-Director of the Dahrendorf Forum and Professor at the Hertie School, Berlin

15:30 – 16:00 *Break and refreshments*

16:00 – 17:15 **Debate Panel 3**

Theme: Can a 'geopolitical Europe' exert its power globally?

Europe has found itself 'sandwiched' on the global stage between a retreating United States and an increasingly assertive China, prompting the question of whether Europe can deploy its power more effectively, and 'punch at its weight'. Can it rise to the challenge, articulated in the political guidelines for the incoming Commission from Ursula von der Leyen, who believes 'Europe should have a stronger and more united voice in the world'? Drawing on the mix of expertise of its members, the panel will explore the potential for initiatives in economics, politics and foreign policy to enhance Europe's global standing.

Panelists:

Daniel Gros, Director of CEPS

Benjamin Martill, Lecturer in Politics and International Relations at the University of Edinburgh

Natacha Valla, Deputy Director General for monetary policy at the European Central Bank

Gijs de Vries, Visiting Senior Fellow at the European Institute of the LSE

Moderator: Christine Ockrent, Member of the Dahrendorf Forum Committee

17:15 – 18:15 *Post-event reception*

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