



International Conference

CONFLICTS OF SOVEREIGNTY IN THE EUROPEAN UNION (SOVEU)

Université libre de Bruxelles, 18-19 November 2020



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EVENT PROGRAM- DAY 1

Wednesday, 18 November

1:45 - 2:00 PM

Introductory words

Ramona Coman (Université libre de Bruxelles)

2:00-3.30 PM

Session 1: Conceptualizing old and new conflicts of sovereignty in the EU

Speakers

Chair Julia Rone

- '*Unravelling Sovereignty Conflicts in an Era of Politicization*': Christopher Bickerton (University of Cambridge), Nathalie Brack, Ramona Coman & Amandine Crespy (Université libre de Bruxelles).
- '*Conceptualizing Sovereignty Conflicts in the EU: General Reflections and Reflections from the UK*': Paul Craig (University of Oxford)
- '*Sovereignty Conflicts and the Sustainability of the Brexit State*': Christopher Lord (University of Oslo)
- '*Multilevel Sovereignty*': Jan Zielonka (University of Oxford)

3.30-3.45 PM

Coffee break

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Wednesday, 18 November

3:45-5.15 PM **Session 2: Sovereignty conflicts over the rule of law**

Speakers

Chair Nathalie Brack

- *'Judicial Independence, the Rule of Law and Sovereignty Conflicts'*: Paul Craig (University of Oxford)
- *'Conflicting understandings of sovereignty in the rule of law debate in Poland'*: Ramona Coman (ULB)
- *'Breaking the rule of law to conquest sovereignty: Catalanian independentism quest for secession'*: Carlos Closa (IPP-CSIC, Madrid & European University Institute, Florence)
- *'Rule of Law in the EU: An Emerging Double Standard'*: Dimitry Kochenov (University of Groningen)
- *'Sovereignty and democratic legitimacy in Spain: the case of Catalonia'*: Joan-Pau Rubiés (ICREA/Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

EVENT PROGRAM- DAY 2

Thursday, 19 November

9.30-11:00 AM **Session 3: Sovereignty conflicts over the EU socio-economic governance**

Chair

Speakers

Christopher Bickerton

- *'Conflicts of sovereignty and the Walloon rebellion against CETA: a new constitutional settlement over trade?'*: Amandine Crespy & Julia Rone (ULB)
- *'Sovereignty conflicts or socioeconomic conflicts? French and Irish workers and trade unions in past EU referendum debates'*: Roland Erne (University College Dublin)
- *'Sovereignty conflicts and the law: An analysis into the controversy between the German Constitutional Court and the CJEU over the Asset Purchasing Program of the ECB'*: Christian Joerges (Hertie School of Government & University of Bremen)
- *'We, the Independents. Europe's Independent Branch and the Emerging Conflicts of Sovereignty'*: Antoine Vauchez & Guillaume Sacriste (Université Paris 1-Sorbonne)

11:00-11.15 AM **Coffee break**

EVENT PROGRAM- DAY 2

Thursday, 19 November

11.15 AM-12.45 PM **Session 4: Sovereignty conflicts in party politics**

Speakers

Chair Amandine Crespy

- *'Sovereignty... but for whom? National and regionalist conceptions of sovereignty in Italy'*: Linda Basile & Rossella Borri (University of Sienna)
- *'The sovereignty test: Disentangling the conflicts of sovereignty in the UK's departure from the European Union'*: Nathalie Brack (Université libre de Bruxelles) & Christopher Bickerton (University of Cambridge)
- *'Procedural Battles on Sovereignty: Interpreting the Rules in the UK House of Commons'*: Edoardo Bressanelli, (Scuola Sant'Anna, Pisa & Kings' College London)