



International Conference

CONFLICTS OF SOVEREIGNTY IN THE EUROPEAN UNION (SOVEU)

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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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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: Catalonian independentism quest for secession*': Carlos Closa (IPP-CSIC, Madrid & European University Institute, Florence)
- '*Rule of Law in the EU: An Emerging Double Standard*': Dmitry 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 (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)