”The democracy of our successors will not and cannot be the democracy of our predecessors. Nor should it be.”
Dahl

Preliminary Program

The Future of Democracy
Graduate & Post-Graduate Conference on Innovative Scenarios for the Future of Representative Democracy

7 – 8 April 2017
Goethe University Frankfurt am Main
Democratic Innovations Research Unit

Conference site:
Goethe-University Frankfurt/Main - Campus Westend - Grüneburgplatz 1, 60629 Frankfurt am Main
I.G.Farben Building: Eisenhower-Hall

Friday 7.4.2017
10.00-10.30 Welcome and Introduction

Section 1. The Input Dimension: Actors and Instruments
10.30-12.00 Panel 1.1. (EN) The Input Dimension: Actors and Instruments I.
Panel Chair: Prof. Brigitte Geissel (Goethe University Frankfurt, Democratic Innovations Research Unit)
Panel Discussants: Dr. Sergiu Gherghina, Sebastian Schneider

Martha Sandoval (University of Zurich): Introducing Mechanisms of Direct Democracy in the Mexican States - The Case of Mexico City
Paper Discussant: Antón Orestes Suárez

Christoph Niessen (CEU Budapest): Deliberative Democracy and Stakeholders - Understanding the Positions of Associative, Economic and Political Actors on a Deliberative Mini-Public
Paper Discussant: Mikko Värttö

12.00-13.00 Lunch
13.00-14.30 Panel 1.2. (DE/EN) The Input Dimension: Actors and Instruments II.
Panel Chair: Dr. Petra Guasti (Goethe University Frankfurt, Democratic Innovations Research Unit)
Panel Discussants: Sebastian Schneider, Dr. Matthias Freise

Lea-Katharina Rzadtki (Leuphana/ZDEMO): Non-citizens challenging democratic societies: An exploration of how politically excluded groups stand up for their rights in Europe
Paper Discussant: Nadja Wilker

Jasmin Fitzpatrick (JGU Mainz): Politische Wurzelbehandlung - Können Parteien und zivilgesellschaftliche Organisationen im Umgang mit ihren gesellschaftlichen Wurzeln voneinander lernen?
Paper Discussant: Kevin Guillas-Cavan

14.30-15.00 Coffee Break

15.00-16.30 Panel 1.3 (EN/DE) The Input Dimension: Actors and Instruments III.
Panel Chair: Prof. Claudia Landwehr (Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Chair of Public Policy)
Panel Discussants: Prof. Brigitte Geissel, Dr. Petra Guasti

Kevin Guillas-Cavan (Institut de Recherches Économiques et Sociales (IRES)): The discursive power - Information-consultation as a form of labour democracy for French Work Councils
Paper Discussant: Nanuli Silagadze

Nadja Wilker (Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf, NRW-Fortschrittskolleg Online-Partizipation): Online-Basierte Bürgerbeteiligung aus Sicht Lokaler Entscheidungsträger - Ergebnisse einer Befragung von Ratsmitgliedern in NRW
Paper Discussant: Claudia Thoms

16.30-17.00 Coffee Break

Section 2. The Process and Context Dimension
17.00-18.30 Panel 2.1. (DE/EN) The Process and Context Dimension I.
Panel Chair: Dr. Matthias Freise (University of Münster, Institute of Political Science)
Panel Discussants: Dr. Selen E. Erkan, Prof. Claudia Landwehr

Jonathan Rinne (Goethe-University Frankfurt/Main): Incorporating Instead of Adding: The Case for Systematic Entanglement of Representative and Participatory Decision-Making Processes
Paper Discussant: Jasmin Fitzpatrick

Claudia Thoms (Universität Hohenheim): Linking Participatory Procedures and the Policy Process
Paper Discussant: Alba Mohedano Roldán
Saturday 8.4.2017

9.00-10.30 Panel 2.2. (EN) The Process and Context Dimension II.
Panel Chair: Dr. Selen E. Ercan (University of Canberra, Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance)
Panel Discussants: Dr. Pamela Hess, Prof. Daniel Stockemer

Mikko Värttö (University of Tampere): The Balanced Relationship between Publicity and Secrecy in Deliberative Systems
Paper Discussant: Jonathan Rinne

Antón Orestes Suárez (Universidad Complutense de Madrid): The Agenda Initiative - Between Direct and Representative Democracy
Paper Discussant: Lea-Katharina Rzadtki

10.30-11.00 Coffee Break

Section 3. The Dimension of Effects

11.00-13.00 Panel 3.1. (EN) The Dimension of Effects I.
Panel Chair: Prof. Daniel Stockemer (Ottawa University)
Panel Discussants: Dr. Sergiu Gherghina, Dr. Pamela Hess

Alba Mohedano Roldán (Stockholm University): Does stakeholder participation increase legitimacy of nature reserves in local communities? - Evidence from 92 Biosphere Reserves in 36 Countries
Paper Discussant: Christoph Niessen

Nanuli Silagadze (Abo Akademi/Goethe University Frankfurt): How do Citizens react to Austerity Measures?
Paper Discussant: Martha Sandoval

13.00-14.00 Lunch

14.00-15.30 Concluding Discussion & Future Steps
Chairs: Petra Guasti, Pamela Hess and Sebastian Schneider
**General Information:**
In order to provide in-depth feedback to all paper-givers and generate lively discussion, we expect all papers to be submitted the latest on **23.3.2017**. The purpose of this strict paper submission deadline is to allow discussants and participants to become familiar with the papers. Our motto here: 'There are no perfect papers; there are only finished and submitted papers.' Papers are to be submitted to guasti@uni-frankfurt.de and will be distributed by the organizers to all participants.

Each paper will be discussed by two established scholars (panel discussants) and by one junior scholar (paper discussant) – the papers were allocated according to thematic proximity. Paper givers will have 15 minutes to present his/her paper; discussants 10 minutes to present his/her comments; subsequently, each panel will include 30 minutes discussion. All participants are expected to be familiar with all papers (ideally with all papers, in the least with all papers in their respective section).