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Location:

Solbosch Campus

Avenue F.D. Roosevelt 42

1050 Brussels



INFORMATION

Registration

All participants are requested to register online by 1st December 2017 at the latest. Registration can be done via this link:

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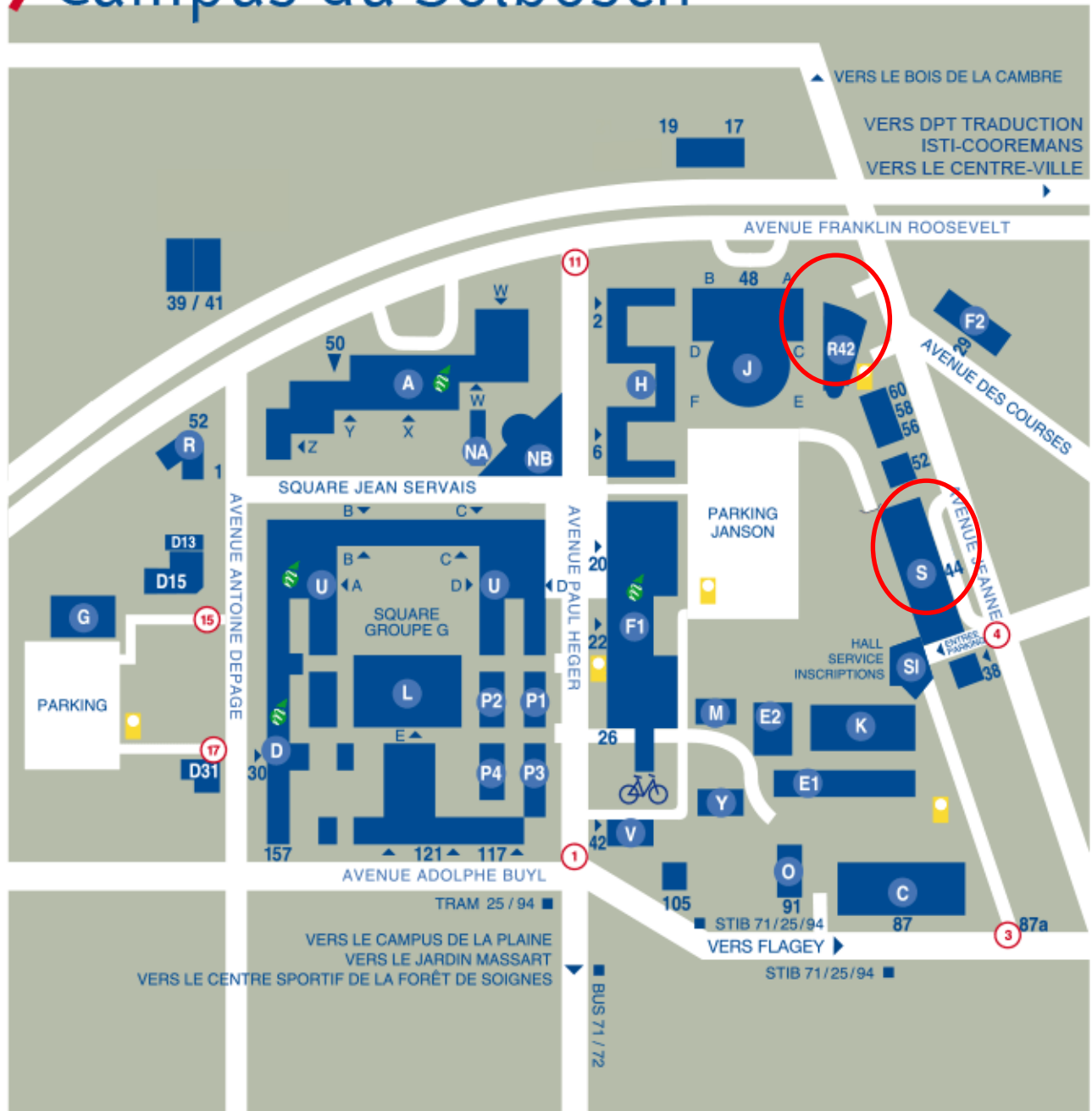
- From Brussels-Central train station (35-40 min):
 - **Bus 71** (direction 'Delta'). Stop at **ULB**.
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- From Brussels-South train station (40 min):
 - **Metro 2 or 6** (direction 'Elizabeth'). Stop at **Louiza/Louise**, then take the **Tram 94** (direction 'Musée du Tram /Trammuseum'). Stop at **ULB**.

- From Etterbeek train station (15 min):
 - **Tram 25** (direction 'Boondael gare/Boondael station'). Stop at **ULB**.

Campus map (Solbosch)

> Campus du Solbosch



CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

9:00-9:30: Welcome & Coffee

9:30-11:00: Panel Session 1

PANEL A: Democratic Innovations - Room R42.2.103 (R42 building - 2nd floor)

Chair: Jean-Benoit Pilet - Discussant: tbc

- Jehan Bottin (UCL): *Councillors and participatory processes*
- Christoph Niessen (UCL): *Dealing with the New-Comer: How Elites and Stakeholders envision the Place of a Deliberative Mini-public in the Political System*
- Ramon van der Does (UCL/Leiden): *Barking Dogs Don't Bite? A Meta-Analysis of the Consequentiality of Deliberative Mini-Publics*
- Pierre-Etienne Vandamme (UCL), Vincent Jacquet (UCL), Christoph Niessen (UCL), John Pitseys (Crisp) & Min Reuchamps (UCL): *Complementary Virtues and Competing Legitimacies. Inter-Chamber Relationships in a Bicameral Elected and Sortitioned Legislature. Insights from Belgium*

PANEL B: Political attitudes - Room R42.2.107 (R42 building - 2nd floor)

Chair: Caroline Close - Discussant: Pierre Baudewyns

- Silke Goubin (KUL): *Economic Exclusion and Political Trust: The effect of economic exclusion on the relation between perceptions of government responsiveness and political trust*
- Simon Willocq (ULB): *Tactical Considerations, Political Dissatisfaction and Changes in Vote Intentions during Election Campaigns? Are Campaign Switchers Strategic and Frustrated?*
- Steven Van Hauwaert (CIDE): *Public opinion towards immigration and the role of immigration: Evidence from Belgium, France and the UK (1990-2015)*
- Marta Gallina (UCL): *Political sophistication and the role of individual and contextual resources: the Belgian case*

11:00-11:15: Coffee Break

11:15-12:45: Panel Session 2

PANEL A: Interest groups - Room R42.2.103 (R42 building - 2nd floor)

Chair: Ramona Coman - Discussant: Michaël Boireau

- Sarah Arras & Jan Beyers (UA): *Stakeholder involvement and the legitimacy of regulatory outcomes: a survey experiment*
- Evelien Willems & Jan Beyers (UA): *Linking citizens and policymakers: Explaining access to advisory council in the Belgian federation*

- Emilien Paulis, Matteo Gagliolo & Emilie van Haute (ULB): *Social influence and participatory behaviors: the diffusion of political participation through social networks of Belgian citizens*

PANEL B: Belgium in the EU - Room R42.2.107 (R42 building - 2nd floor)

Chair: Nathalie Brack - Discussant: Louise Hoon

- Alexander Mattelaer (Egmont Institute): *Towards a Belgian Position on Brexit: Reconciling National and European Interest*
- Gilles Pittoors (UGent): *How Do Parties Organise vis-à-vis the EU? The Case of the Flemish Parties*
- Nathalie Brack (ULB), Steven Van Hecke (KUL), Wouter Wolfs (KUL): *Breaking the Consensus: how real is the NVA's Eurorealism?*
- Vivien Sierens (ULB) & Nathalie Brack (ULB): *Which role for Belgian Parliaments in EU affairs? The case of Brexit in a Europhile country*

PANEL C: Party strategies - Rokkan Room (S building – Av. Jeanne 44, 12th floor)

Chair: Emilie van Haute - Discussant: Caroline Close

- Pierre Baudewyns (UCL), Corentin Vande Kerckhove (UCL), Camille Doucet (UCL) : *Do representatives polarise party position on multipartisme competition ?*
- Tom Verthé (UGent): *Voluntary Municipal Mergers in Flanders: Exploring Party Motives and Consequences for the Local Party Organization*
- Jan Beyers (UA) & Frederik Heylen (UA): *Living Apart Together: interactions between political parties and interest groups in Belgium*
- Isabelle De Coninck (KUL) & Camille Kelbel (ULB): *Candidate selection and voting behaviour in the European Parliament*

12:45-14:00: Lunch Break - R42 Atrium (TBC)

14:00-15:30: Panel Session 3

PANEL A: Social policies - Room R42.2.103 (R42 building - 2nd floor)

Chair: Anne Guisset - Discussant: Corinne Gobin

- Isalyne Stassart (IWEPS): *Federalisation of social policies as translation processes: Outline for a Research on the Belgian Sixth State Reform*
- Audrey Vandeleene (Lund University), Thomas Legein (UCL), Pauline Heyvaert (ULg), Julien Perrez (ULg) & Min Reuchamps (UCL): *Supporting a Belgian basic income - An experimental study on the mediating role of political knowledge on the framing impact of metaphors*
- Anne Guisset (USLB): *The evolution of the Belgian social concertation 'model': caught between transformation and inertia?*

PANEL B: Candidate selection and Career Patterns - Room R42.2.107 (R42 building - 2nd floor)

Chair: Camille Kelbel - Discussant: Audrey Vandeleene

- Jérémy Dodeigne (UNamur) & Conrad Meulewaeter (UCL): *Popular Candidates and/or Party Soldiers? The Interactive Effect of Candidates' Vote-Earning Capacity and the Candidate Party Congruence at the 2014 Belgium Elections*
 - Chloé Janssen (VUB), Régis Dandoy (Waseda University) & Silvia Erzeel (VUB): *Is it voter behavior or party strategy? Understanding the Electoral Success of Ethnic Minorities in Brussels*
 - Maximilien Cogels (UCL): *Preference votes: is it worth the candidates' effort?*
 - Jérémy Dodeigne (UNamur): *Regional ambition in multilevel democracies. A comparative case study of Scotland, Catalonia and Wallonia*
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15:30-15:45: Coffee Break

15:45-17:30: Panel Session 4

PANEL A: Federalism and multi-level systems - Room R42.2.103 (R42 building - 2nd floor)

Chair: Min Reuchamps - Discussant: Régis Dandoy

- Jérémy Dodeigne (UNamur), Julien Perrez (ULg), François Randour (UCL) & Min Reuchamps (UCL): *The Belgian Tetris 3.0. The comparative influence of two Belgian federalism metaphors on a representative sample of Flemings and Walloons*
- Lorenzo Terrière (UGent): *A tale of two arena's: Regionalist and Sub Nationalist Parties in regional and national government*
- Peter Bursens (UA) & Petra Meier (UA): *Belgium: the Democratic State of the Federation*
- Nicolas Van de Voorde (Ugent) & Benjamin de Vet (UGent): *Is all politics indeed local? Dual mandate-holders' representative role attitudes and behaviours in parliament*

PANEL B: Electoral system / preferential voting - Room R42.2.107 (R42 building - 2nd floor)

Chair: Simon Willocq - Discussant: Tom Verthé

- Robin Devroe (UGent) & Bram Wauters (UGent): *A woman's place? An experimental study on the interaction of gender and list position cues on voters' perceptions of political candidates*
 - Audrey Vandeleene (Lund University): *The Unlucky Winners: A Comparative Analysis of Swedish and Belgian Non-Elected Popular Candidates*
 - Sigrid Van Trappen (Ugent), Robin Devroe (UGent) & Bram Wauters (UGent): *Wanted: stereotype free voter. An experimental study on political ethnic stereotypes in Flanders*
 - Damien Bol (King's College London), André Blais (UdeM), Lidia Nunez (IDEA Consult) & Jean-Benoit Pilet (ULB): *Voting and satisfaction with democracy under candidate-centered PR*
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17:30: Closing Reception
