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EU AS A LAB IN A CHANGING WORLD. CITIZENSHIP,
VALUES AND THE RESPONSE TO GLOBAL CHALLENGES



European Supranational Democracy: a Lab for the World

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BRINDISI, SALA CONFERENZE DELL'AUTORITÀ PORTUALE, APRIL 29-30, 2025

APRIL 29, 2025 – EUROPE

I. – European Citizenship, Identity and Values

09,30 – REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

10,00 – INSTITUTIONAL GREETINGS

MICHELE EMILIANO – President of the Apulian Region

GIUSEPPE MARCHIONNA – Mayor of the Brindisi Municipality

TONY MATARRELLI – President of the Province of Brindisi

VINCENZO LEONE – Extraordinary Commissioner of the Port System Authority of the Southern Adriatic Sea

LUIGI MELICA – Head of the Department of Law Studies of Università del Salento

MARIANO LONGO – Head of the Department of Human and Social Sciences of Università del Salento

ANNACHIARA STEFANUCCI – Europe Direct Taranto

10,30 – FIRST PANEL

CHAIR: SUSANNA CAFARO

KEYNOTE SPEECH

DOMÈNEC RUIZ DEVESA, UNION OF EUROPEAN FEDERALISTS – *Europe at a Turning Point*

MAAIKE GEUENS, OPEN UNIVERSITY OF THE NETHERLANDS – *Constitutional Identity, Democratic Disconnect, EU institutions, Sovereignty, and Integration*

JEAN-CHRISTOPHE BARBATO, UNIVERSITÉ PARIS 1 PANTHÉON-SORBONNE – *Academic Freedom and Democracy in European Union Law*

FRANCESCA SALVATORE AND ANTONIO CASO, ATLANTIC-MEDITERRANEAN RELATIONS STUDY CENTER (CESRAM, LECCE) – *Public History as a Strategic Resource for European Citizenship, Identity, and Values*

FABIENNE PÉRALDI LENEUF, UNIVERSITÉ PARIS 1 PANTHÉON-SORBONNE – *The Independence of the Judiciary as an Aspect of Respect for the Rule of Law: Exporting the European Model*

ESRA AKGEMCI, SELCUK UNIVERSITY (TURKEY) – *Rethinking the EU's Role in Promoting Peace, Human Rights, and Democracy Amid Anti-Gender Politics and Right-Wing Populism*

SARA POLI, UNIVERSITÀ DI PISA – *Citizenship by Investment Programs: Constraints and Conditions Imposed by Treaty Provisions on the European Citizenship and on CFSP*

BLENDAR KURTI, UNIVERSITY "ALEKSANDËR MOISIU" DURRES – *Today's Challenges of European Citizenship, Identity and Values*

13,30 – LIGHT LUNCH

II. – The European Union in a Changing World

14,30 – SECOND PANEL

CHAIR: CLAUDIA MORINI

EXPERT SPEECH

ANTONIO PARENTI, EUROPEAN COMMISSION – *The EU's Preparedness in Crises: a New Paradigm?*

ANA BOJINOVIĆ FENKO AND JULIJA BRSAKOSKA BAZERKOSKA, LJUBJANA UNIVERSITY – *European Union's Contributions in Addressing the Challenges of the Changing World Order: Analysis of EU's Actorness in the Fields of Conflict Resolution, Digital Sovereignty and Trade*

INGRID KIESSLING R., GABRIELA MISTRAL UNIVERSITY (CHILE) – *The Strategic Alliance between the European Union and Latin America: Protection of Democracy and Human Rights in the Context of Global Instability*

EIRIKUR BERGMANN, BIFROST UNIVERSITY (ICELAND) – *Europe's Security Architecture in an Age of Transactional Diplomacy*

15,30 – COFFEE BREAK

MOHAMED SHOKRY, UNIVERSITÀ DEL SALENTO – *The European Union's Migration Governance as a Laboratory in a Changing World*

OLEKSIY KANDYUK, UNIVERSITY OF KONSTANZ – *Transatlantic Shift, Strategic Autonomy and Ukraine*

CATHERINE VIEILLEDENT, UEF GROUP EUROPE – *The Role of the EU in a Post Multilateral World*

EXPERT SPEECH

MARIA D'APRILE, Paola Pinto, UNGSC BRINDISI – *UNGSC as a Lab of the UN 2.0*

18,00 – OPEN DEBATE

APRIL 30, 2025 – WORLD

III. – Values and Tools for a New World Order

10,00 – INSTITUTIONAL GREETINGS

FABIO POLLICE, RECTOR OF UNIVERSITÀ DEL SALENTO

10,15 – FIRST PANEL

CHAIR: SILVIA SOLIDORO

KEYNOTE SPEECH

JAN WOUTERS, LEUVEN UNIVERSITY – *Europe and the World: Adapting to a Changing Landscape*

JEFFREY GLAUSIUSZ, PAX ORBIS (ISRAEL) – *Time to Rebuild*

BRIAN T. SCHMITT, CY CERGY PARIS UNIVERSITY – *Democracy as a Set of Normative Social Relationships: the IAPD Framework*

WOLFGANG PAPE, CENTER FOR UNITED NATIONS CONSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH (BRUSSELS) – *Interpopularity Beyond National Borders*

LUCA BELGIORNO-NETTIS, NEWDEMOCRACY FOUNDATION (AUSTRALIA) – *An Antidote to Identity Politics and Nationalistic Rhetoric*

INSPIRATIONAL TALK

JOE WESTON, AUTHOR (US-NETHERLANDS) – *Fierce Civility. A Practical Pathway to Transformational Governance*

13,00 – LIGHT LUNCH

IV – A World in Transition

14,00 – SECOND PANEL

CHAIR: SAVERIO DI BENEDETTO

SÉRGIO BARBOSA DOS SANTOS SILVA, UNIVERSITÉ DE GÈNÈVE – *On the Rise of AI Literacies*

NADIA PERRONE, ENGINEERING - INGEGNERIA INFORMATICA (LECCE) – *The EU AI Act: How the European Union Fosters the Artificial Intelligence Development while Addressing its Ethical and Legal Implications*

TROY DAVIS, WORLD CITIZEN FOUNDATION (STRASBOURG) – *The Schuman Method Applied to Global Climate Change: the World Carbon Community*

STEFANIA ATTOLINI, UNIVERSITÉ CATHOLIQUE DE LYON – *AI for the Environment: Earth Monitoring Evolutions and Legal Issues*

GABRIELE ROGOLI, UNIVERSITÀ DEL SALENTO – *EU Leaders 2030. The New Paradigm of the Green and Digital Transition*

BENEDETTO ROLLO, UNIVERSITÀ DEL SALENTO – *“Feel Free to Vent Your Fury Here”. How Corporations Use Online Activism to Influence Policymaking*

CONCLUDING REMARKS

SUSANNA CAFARO, UNIVERSITÀ DEL SALENTO

16,00 – COFFEE BREAK

16,30 – THE DISCUSSION CORNER

- I.** *EU Culture and Values: Raising Awareness* – Facilitators: **ANDREA RUBINO, JACOPO LILLO AND ELISABETTA MARZO**
- II.** *EU Strategic Autonomy and Defense: Narratives and Public Opinions* – Facilitators: **FRANCESCO SPERA, FABIANA MAGNOLO AND MATTEO FULGENZI**
- III.** *Defining and Countering Disinformation Industry* – Facilitators: **LAURIDS HEMPEL AND POLINA ZAVERSHINSKAIA**

17,30 – OPEN ASSEMBLY of the ASSOCIATION FOR SUPRANATIONAL DEMOCRACY

Scientific Committee: Susanna Cafaro, Saverio Di Benedetto, Claudia Morini, Martí Grau Segú, Valerie Saintot, Silvia Solidoro, Francesco Spera

Organizing Committee: Francesco Viggiani, Elisabetta Marzo, Isabella Salsano, Jacopo Lillo, Fabiana Magnolo

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