



**Autumn Semester 2019/2020  
Comparative Institutional Analysis  
(Prof. Dr. Ulrich Glassmann)**

*Module Title:* European Economy

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Mondays, 12:00–14:00 at OSL 239.1

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Course Description:

The purpose of this course is to examine and compare the political economies of contemporary European nation states with a focus on the EU. Through both theoretical and case study readings, we will analyse how history and politics has shaped the economic structures of these societies and the extent to which these structures determine contemporary economic outcomes in both the advanced industrial democracies and the transition countries of Europe. In the first three weeks, we will have an overview on the history of European political and economic integration. In the following weeks, we will touch upon and discuss rather contemporary issues such as the Eastern Enlargement of the EU, Mediterranean economies, Euro crisis, labour rights, capitalism, populism, gender, Brexit and migration.

- This syllabus is tentative in the sense that there might be some changes on it throughout the semester.

Assessment:

⇒ Assessment will be based on a **research paper**: Each student is required to submit a research paper of 12–15 pages (excl. bibliography) related to one of the topics we will deal with during the classes. Research papers must be both handed in to the post

box of the department of Comparative Institutional Analysis and sent to me via e-mail.

- **Presentation:** Students are required to make a presentation of max. 20 minutes as groups of two regarding the articles outlined for presentation. These presentations will not be graded; however, they function as ‘pass or fail’. Every student is welcome to consult me during the office hours regarding the general ideas on research papers and presentations.
- **IMPORTANT:** Students are expected and encouraged to read the required chapters and articles before each session for a fruitful discussion during the class.

Course Schedule:

**1. Session (16.09.2019): Course Introduction**

Recommended:

Hall, P. A. (1997). The Role of Interests, Institutions and Ideas in the Political Economy of Industrialized Nations. In: Lichbach, M. I. & Zuckerman, A. S. (eds.), *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture and Structure* (pp. 174–207). Cambridge, New York etc.: Cambridge University Press.

**2. Session (23.09.2019): Post-War Economic Restructuring in Europe (1945–1951)**

Required reading:

Alan, S. M. (1984). *The Reconstruction of Western Europe 1945–51*. University of California Press, Chapter 14 (pp. 462–502).

Recommended:

Judt, T. (2005). *Postwar: A History of Europe Since 1945*. New York: Penguin, Chapter 3 (pp. 63–99).

**3. Session (30.09.2019): European Economic Integration**

Required reading:

Johnston, A. & Regan, A. (2016). European Monetary Integration and the Incompatibility of National Varieties of Capitalism. *Journal of Common Market Studies*, 54(2): 318–336.

Recommended:

De Grauwe, P. (2013). The Political Economy of the Euro. *Annual Review of Political Science*, 13(1): 153–170.

**4. Session (07.10.2019): Eastern Enlargement**Required reading:

Bunce, V. (1999). The Political Economy of Postsocialism. *Slavic Review*, 58(4): 756–793.

Recommended:

Rupnik, J. & Zielonka, J. (2013). Introduction: The State of Democracy 20 Years On: Domestic and External Factors. *East European Politics and Societies and Cultures*, 27(1): 3–25.

Wolchik, S. L. & Curry, J. L. (2018). Democracy, the Market, and the Return to Europe. In: Wolchik, S. L. & Curry, J. L. (eds.), *Central and East European Politics: From Communism to Democracy* (pp. 3–29). London: Rowman & Littlefield.

**NO CLASS ON 14.10.2019!**

**5. Session (21.10.2019): Mediterranean Society and Economies**Required reading:

Rhodes, M. (2015). Southern Europe in Social Science. A ‘Southern European Model’? In: Baumeister, M. & Sala, R. (eds.), *Southern Europe? Italy, Spain, Portugal, and Greece from the 1950s Until the Present Day* (pp. 51–76). Frankfurt–am–Main: Campus Verlag.

Presentation:

Simonazzi, A. & Ginzburg, A. (2015). The Interruption of Industrialization in Southern Europe. A Center–Periphery Perspective. In: Baumeister, M. & Sala, R. (eds.), *Southern Europe? Italy, Spain, Portugal, and Greece from the 1950s Until the Present Day* (pp. 103–137). Frankfurt–am–Main: Campus Verlag.

Recommended:

Gal, J. (2010). Is There An Extended Family of Mediterranean Welfare States? *Journal of European Social Policy*, 20(4): 283–300.

**6. Session (28.10.2019): Euro Crisis 2008–2014: The Case of Greece**Required reading:

Selçuk, B. & Yılmaz, N. (2011). The Effects of Global Crisis into Euro Region: A Case Study of Greek Crisis. *European Journal of Economic and Political Studies*, 4(2): 51–74.

Presentation:

Hall, P. A. (2018). Varieties of Capitalism in Light of the Euro Crisis. *Journal of European Public Policy*, 25(1):7–30.

Recommended:

Varoufakis, Y. (2017). *Adults in the Room: My Battle with Europe’s Deep Establishment*. London: Routledge, Chapter 2 (pp. 19–49).

**7. Session (04.11.2019): Labour Policies in the European Union**Required reading:

Hancké, B., & Rhodes, M. (2005). EMU and Labor Market Institutions in Europe. The Rise and Fall of National Social Pacts. *Work and Occupations*, 32(2): 196–228.

Presentation:

Hassel, A., Knudsen, J. S., and Wagner, B. (2016): Winning the Battle or Losing the War: The Impact of European Integration on Labour Market Institutions in Germany and Denmark. *Journal of European Public Policy*, 23(8): 1218–1239.

Recommended:

Manow, P. (2008). Electoral Rules, Class Coalitions and Welfare State Regimes, or How to Explain Esping–Andersen with Stein Rokkan. *Socio–Economic Review*, 7(1): 101–121.

Thelen, K. (2001). Varieties of Labor Politics in the Developed Democracies (pp. 71–103). In: Hall, P. A. & Soskice, D. *Varieties of Capitalism*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

### **8. Session (11.11.2019): Sustainability of Capitalism**

#### Required reading:

Klein, N. (2007). *The Shock Doctrine: The Rise of Disaster Capitalism*. New York: Metropolitan Books Holt, Introduction (pp. 3–21); Chapter 2 (pp. 49–71).

#### Presentation:

Streuck, W. (2011): The Crises of Democratic Capitalism. *New Left Review*, 71: 5–29.

#### Recommended:

Klein, N. (2007). *The Shock Doctrine: The Rise of Disaster Capitalism*. New York: Metropolitan Books Holt, Chapter 1 (pp. 25–48).

### **9. Session (18.11.2019): Economic Policies of the Populist Right**

#### Required reading:

Mudde, C. (2007). *Populist Radical Right Parties in Europe*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. Chapter 5 (pp. 119–137).

#### Presentation:

Harteveld, E. (2016). Winning the ‘Losers’ but Losing the “Winners? The Electoral Consequences of the Radical Right Moving to the Economic Left. *Electoral Studies*, 44: 225–234.

#### Recommended:

Inglehart, R. & Norris, P. (2017). Trump and the Populist Authoritarian Parties: The Silent Revolution in Reverse. *Perspectives on Politics*, 15(2): 443–454.

Hopkin, J., & Blyth, M. (2019). The Global Economics of European Populism: Growth Regimes and Party System Change in Europe (The

Government and Opposition/Leonard Schapiro Lecture 2017). *Government and Opposition*, 54(2): 193–225.

### **10. Session (25.11.2019): European Economy from A Gender Perspective**

#### Required reading:

Peterson, V. S. (2005). How (the Meaning of) Gender Matters in Political Economy. *New Political Economy*, 10(4): 499–521.

#### Presentation:

Orloff, A. S. (2009). Gendering the Comparative Analysis of Welfare States: An Unfinished Agenda. *Sociological Theory*, 27(3): 317–343.

#### Recommended:

Collins, J. B. (1989). The Economic Role of Women in Seventeenth-Century France. *French Historical Studies*, 16(2): 436–470.

Black, S. E. & Brainerd, E. (2004). Importing Equality? The Impact of Globalization on Gender Discrimination. *ILR Review*, 57(4): 540–559.

### **11. Session (02.12.2019): Brexit and Its Possible Consequences**

#### Required reading:

McGowan, I & Phinnemore, D. (2017). The United Kingdom: Membership in Crisis (pp. 77–99). In: Dinan, D., Nugent, N., and Paterson, W. E. (eds.), *The European Union in Crisis*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.

#### Presentation:

Hobolt, S. (2016). The Brexit Vote: A Divided Nation, a Divided Continent. *Journal of European Public Policy*, 23(9): 1259–1277.

#### Recommended:

Oliver, T. (2017). Fifty Shades of Brexit: Britain’s EU Referendum and its Implications for Europe and Britain. *The International Spectator*, 52(1): 1–11.

**12. Session (09.12.2019): Migration and Its Impact on Economy**Required reading:

Dustmann C., Fasani, F., Frattini, T., Minale, L., and Schönberg, U. (2017). On the Economics and Politics of Refugee Migration. *Economy Policy*, 32(91): 497–550.

Presentation:

Thielemann, E. & Zaun, N. (2018). Escaping Populism – Safeguarding Minority Rights: Non-majoritarian Dynamics in European Policy-making. *Journal of Common Market Studies*, 58(4): 906–922.

Recommended:

Castles, Stephen (1995). How nation-states respond to immigration and ethnic diversity? *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 21(3): 293–308.