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Towards a Differentiated Europe

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University of Oslo Library, Georg Sverdrup's building, auditorium 2
18 – 19 May 2017, Oslo

Day I: Thursday 18 May 2017

13.30 – 16.00 PLENARY SESSION

- 13.30 – 13.45 Welcome
- 13.45 – 14.05 Key note speech I:
Norway-EU Relations
Elsbeth Tronstad, State Secretary of EEA and EU Affairs, Norway
- 14.05 – 14.20 Q&A
- 14.20 – 14.45 Break
- 14.45 – 15.30 Key note speech II:
The European Council as the EU's Constitutional Architect: Leading or Misleading?
Wolfgang Wessels, University of Cologne
- 15.30 – 16.00 Coffee break

16.00 – 17.30 ACADEMIC WORKSHOP

16.00 – 17.30 New Dynamics or Disintegration in the EU? From Bratislava to Rome

This panel focuses on the recent developments inside the EU after the Brexit referendum and in the light of the election in the Netherlands, France and Germany in 2017. The aim is to take stock of both the Brexit implications as well as the Bratislava process on the reform of the EU27. Speakers will also address historical perspectives on the EU system as well as legitimacy questions in the EU more generally.

Chair: Johannes Müller Gómez, University of Cologne

Democracy and Differentiation in Europe

Erik O. Eriksen, ARENA/University of Oslo

Current Challenges from a Legal Perspective

Christophe Hillion, Universities of Leiden, Gothenburg and Oslo

Politicization, Populism and the Future of the EU

Barbara Lippert, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik

Differentiated Integration Reconsidered

Hartmut Marhold, Centre international de formation européenne

09.30 – 13.30 **PANEL SESSION I**

09.30 – 11.00 Alternative Forms of Partnership of and with the EU

This panel serves the purpose to put the (potential future) ties of the EU to non-EU member states, particularly Norway, Turkey and the United Kingdom, in perspective. Discussions will build on a joint conceptual basis of 'differentiated integration' in Europe.

Chair: Wulf Reiners, Turkish-German University

EU Differentiation and the Role of the EEA

John Erik Fossum, ARENA/University of Oslo

Issues of Citizenship in the EU and the Nordic States

Espen D.H. Olsen, ARENA/University of Oslo

Concepts of Differentiated Integration in Europe

Funda Tekin, University of Cologne/CIFE

EU-Turkey: Towards a Strategic Partnership?

Ebru Turhan, Turkish-German University

Implications of Brexit for International Agreements: Will Treaties Concluded by the EU Continue to Apply to the UK?

Birte Windheuser, University of Cologne

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 – 13.30 PANEL SESSION II

11.30 – 13.00 Norway's Role in Europe and the Future EU-Norway Agenda

In this panel, presentations will deal with topical and future joint challenges of the EU and Norway. At the same time, since several scholars from the EU with less knowledge about the particularities of the Norway case will be present, discussion will also help investigate Norwegian perspectives on the EU more generally.

Chair: Andreas Hofmann, University of Gothenburg

European and Norwegian Environment and Energy Policies

Elin Lerum Boasson, University of Oslo

Brexit: Implications for Norway

Halvard Haukeland Fredriksen, Bergen University

EU & Norway in the Arctic

Andreas Raspotnik, Arctic Institute

EU and Norwegian Foreign and Security Policy

Helene Sjursen, ARENA/University of Oslo

13.00 – 13.30 Conclusion: Summary of findings and outlook

John Erik Fossum, ARENA/University of Oslo

Wolfgang Wessels, University of Cologne