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*Illustration on the front page is of a Czech refugee, 1968. The photo is from the European Commission's audiovisual services.*

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The creation of the status of European citizen was regarded for quite some time as a major normative achievement. It was taken to signal the change of course for European integration, moving from a *market Europe* to a *people's Europe*. Indeed, citizenship came in the trail of the direct election of Members of the European Parliament and of the accrual of new competences on many substantive policies to the European Union, including monetary policy, economic policy, justice and home affairs and security and defence policy. Moreover, European citizenship was regarded as the herald of a new conception of citizenship, detached from the nation-state. European citizenship was thus not only a vehicle of transformation of the European Union, but also of personal statuses as such, promising the transcendence of the alleged too close intertwinement of citizenship and nationality.

The recent set of crises that have hit the European Union, although rather asymmetrically, its member states have revealed the ambivalence of the 'actual' status of European citizenship. Political contestation of the punctual decisions and the structural reform through which the crises have been governed have not been articulated around claims on what European citizenship entails or fails to entail, but rather have resulted in a move back to national citizenship. This 'renationalisation' can be understood either as a normative shield against the "excesses" of Europeanisation, or as the vindication of the revival of statelessness as a personal 'status' whereby non-EU citizens may end up without rights and protection (a trend which can be perceived in some of the states of the Eurozone periphery). The 'refugee crisis' has revealed the extent to which the present asymmetric path of European integration can push Europe and its member states into oscillation between inaction and emergency. Pre-political identities have been mobilised to justify backtracking from normative commitments to the right to seek asylum, while allegedly being regarded as compatible with an acceleration of economic integration.

This workshop aims at both taking stock of these developments and at working out a future research agenda. We need to revisit the relationship between citizenship and European integration, both in the sense of figuring out what European integration has done to citizenship in a political and legal sense, and what consequences European citizenship has had on the definition of the other personal statuses in European law; and very particularly, on the definition of European and national asylum policy.



## PROGRAMME

### SESSION I

**Chair:** *John Erik Fossum, ARENA*

- 9.00 – 9.30** European citizenship: Looking back and looking forwards  
*Agustín J. Menéndez, ARENA*  
*Espen D. H. Olsen, ARENA*
- 9.45 – 10.20** What has European integration done to citizenship  
*Catherine Colliot-Thélène, Université de Rennes 1*
- 10.30 – 11.05** The economically Non-Active: Inclusion and Exclusion in EU Citizenship Law and Politics  
*Sandra Mantu, Radboud University*
- 11.15 – 12.10** Debate  
Led by *Mads Andenæs, University of Oslo*
- 12.00 – 13.00** Lunch

### SESSION II

**Chair:** *Anne Elizabeth Stie, University of Agder*

- 13.10 – 13.45** Brexiting citizenship?  
*Charlotte Galpin, University of Copenhagen*  
*Hans-Jörg Trenz, ARENA and University of Copenhagen*
- 13.45 – 14.20** European citizenship since 1951: public or private autonomy or both?  
*Stefanie Pukallus, University of Sheffield*
- 14.30 – 15.05** The refugee crises as reflex of the impact of Europeanisation on other personal statuses  
*Catherine Wibtol de Wenden, CNRS*
- 15.05 – 16.00** Debate  
Led by *Cathrine Holst, ARENA*
- 16.00 – 16.30** Closing reflections  
*Massimo La Torre, University "Magna Græcia" of Catanzaro*