

# «Union sans cesse plus étroite»? / “Ever Closer Union”?

Conférence des étudiants diplômés / Graduate student conference

Université York University, Toronto, 11 & 12 mars/March 2010



Jeudi / Thursday: 5<sup>th</sup> floor, York Research Tower, campus Keele

12:00 Bienvenue / welcome, graduate organizers & Prof Willem Maas

12:05 – 13:05 “Canada-EU Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement Negotiations / Les négociations en vue d’un accord économique et commercial global entre le Canada et l’Union européenne,” **Maurizio Cellini**, Head, Economic and commercial affairs, Delegation of the European Union to Canada / Chef, affaires économiques et commerciales, Délégation de l’Union européenne au Canada.

13:05 – 13:30 Light lunch / déjeuner léger

13:30 – 15:00 Institutions

**Anthony Imbrogno** (PhD Political Science, McGill University) Canada’s federal system of governance in the context of the politics, history and institutions of the European Union

**Tristan Vellinga** (PhD Political Science, University of Florida) Enlargement studies enlarged: An EU-US comparison

**William T. Daniel** (PhD, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh) Sticking Around: the Effect of Legislative Professionalization on Ambition in the European Parliament

Discussants Prof Heather MacRae, Prof Dagmar Soenneken

15:15 – 17:15 Politiques / policies

**David Kline Jones** (PhD Political Science and Public Health, University of Michigan) Politiques de Santé: The Territorial Politics of French Health Care Reform

**Cristina Onose** (MA European, Russian and Eurasian Studies, University of Toronto) The EU Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) and its socio-economic implications for the rural communities in new member states

**Ania Zbyszewska** (PhD Law, University of Victoria) Unveiling the Politics of Gender in the EU Working-Time Regulation: a Recipe for Social Reproduction in Crisis or Crisis in Social Reproduction?

**Samuel Field** (PhD, International Relations and Public Administration, University of Utah) “How Do National Center-Left Parties Respond to Europeanization?”

**Markus Kip** (PhD Sociology, York University) Labour Migration and the Europeanization of Trade Unions - Developments in Germany and Sweden

Discussants Prof Edelgard Mahant, Prof Heather MacRae

Jeudi 19h30 il y a la Conférence Annuelle Jean-Gabriel Castel sur le droit international et les organisations internationales: «La Navigation dans les eaux arctiques du Canada: Y a-t-il un problème? », par Armand de Mestral, Professeur de droit et Chaire Jean Monnet, Université McGill. Il y a une navette au campus Glendon, départ de campus Keele à 17h30.

Vendredi / Friday: salle du sénat / Senate chamber, Glendon

08:30 Light refreshments / rafraîchissements

08:40 Bienvenue / welcome, Prof Kenneth McRoberts, Principal, Glendon

08:45 – 10:30 l’Intégration, l’économie, l’information / integration, economy, information

**Adrienne Novak** (MPIA, York University) Deeper Integration of the Baltic Sea Region: the Strategies of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania

**Vincent-Henri Comte** (maîtrise en droit international et politique internationale, UQAM) L’Europe et la régulation «régionale» de la société «globale» de l’information

**Marie-Christine Morin** (Doctorat en science politique et droit, Université du Québec à Montréal) L’Évolution de l’antitrust: le cas d’étude de Microsoft

**Philip Giurlando** (PhD Political Studies, Queen’s University) EMU and Italy

Discussants Prof Can Erutku, Prof Bruce Morrison

10:45 – 12:30 La cohésion et l’élargissement / Cohesion and enlargement

**Frédéric Gagnon** (Maîtrise en droit international, Université de Montréal) La politique de cohésion prise entre les effets de la mondialisation et des élargissements successifs: vers la croissance ou la solidarité

**Antonio Redfern Pucci** and **Bojan Ratkovic** (MA Political Science, Brock University) An uneven playing field: European Enlargement, Inequality and Double Standards: the Case of Serbia

**Christina Cindric** (MPIA, York University) European Union Motivations for the Accession of Serbia

**Simeon Mitropolitski** (Doctorat en science politique, Université de Montréal) European enlargement as a maker or breaker of the democratic political culture

Discussants Vice Consul Ivana Stefanovic (Consulate General of the Republic of Serbia, Toronto), Prof Willem Maas

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch, salon des professeurs / Senior Common Room. Space is limited. Attendees not on the program may join, but are asked to contribute \$18 and rsvp to [euconf@yorku.ca](mailto:euconf@yorku.ca)

13:45 – 15:30 Migrants et migrations / Migrants and migrations

**Anne-Lyse Gagné** (MA Political Studies, University of Ottawa) European Migration policy: towards securitization of society?

**Christopher Leite** (MA Political Studies, University of Ottawa) Battle of the *Banlieues*: Resisting the Secure

**Karina Pogosyan** (MPIA, York University) Roma EU Realities Today: The case of Romania and Bulgaria

**Nancy Spina** (PhD Sociology and Equity Studies in Education, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto) Bounded Inclusion: Racialization and Community-Building in the EU Discourse on ‘Immigrant’ Education.

Discussants Prof Alexander Caviedes, Prof Sabine Dreher

15:45 – 17:15 Relations extérieures / External relations

**Christine Maydossian** (MPIA, York University) Les Nouvelles Initiatives Economiques entre l’UE et le Canada

**Michelle Collins** (MPIA, York University) A Union of Firsts: Why the EU is the world's first supranational global power

**Evgeny Postnikov** (PhD Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh) Europeanization and Foreign Policy: Assessing the Impact of EU Membership on French and German policies towards Russia

Discussants Prof Jean Yves Haine, Prof Matthew Light

## **Participants**

**Christina Cindric**, a Toronto native, graduated with a bilingual degree specializing in Political Science from Glendon College, York University's bilingual campus. She is currently completing her second year of a Masters in Public and International Affairs at Glendon's School of Public & International Affairs. An ardent political activist, Christina's research interests primarily focus upon Canadian politics. Throughout the course of completing her Master's degree, much of her work has also highlighted some of the policies of the European Union, especially those that concern Eastern Europe, where her family is originally from.

**Michelle Collins** is a graduate student at the Glendon School of Public and International Affairs. Before coming to Glendon, Michelle spent two years reporting on federal politics and international affairs for Embassy Magazine in Ottawa. On several occasions, Michelle reported on the talks between Canadian and EU diplomats and officials regarding an economic partnership agreement. Michelle has a BA in Journalism from Carleton University, and has reported for several media across the country.

**Vincent-Henri Comte** est adjoint de recherche au CEIM et termine ses études à la maîtrise bidisciplinaire en droit international et politique internationale. Dans le cadre du projet ETIC, ses travaux portent sur le modèle institutionnel européen qui propose une voie communautaire en matière de régionalisme économique et d'intégration des marchés. L'Union européenne et son modèle d'intégration légaliste sont tout aussi contraints par le développement des nouveaux réseaux de gouvernance particulièrement dans le domaine des technologies de l'information et de communication (TIC), mais ses méthodes de régulations publiques supranationales tranchent avec le modèle du laisser-faire américain.

**William Daniel** is a second-year PhD student in the Department of Political Science at the University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh, PA). His research interests include comparative European politics, institutions, political parties, political economy, and quantitative methodology. He is currently chair of the University of Pittsburgh's European Union Center of Excellence Fifth Annual Graduate Student Conference on the EU. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Wake Forest University (Winston-Salem, NC), where he graduated magna cum laude with degrees in Political Science and French. William is a student of B. Guy Peters and Alberta Sbragia.

**Samuel Field** completed his undergraduate and Master's degree in Politics, Economics and History at the Leibniz Universität Hannover. He focused on the European Union and more specifically on political parties, nationalism and international relations. His time as a teaching assistant motivated me to pursue a career in academia. He is currently working on a PhD at the University of Utah where he focuses on International Relations and Public Administration. He has three children who consistently put his mediation and diplomatic abilities to the test.

**Anne-Lyse Gagné** is currently completing a Master's degree in Political Studies at the University of Ottawa. Prior to her university studies, she studied in Geneva, Switzerland. This, in particular, sparked her strong interest in European Studies. She now actively studies the European Union, most notably its security and defence policy and migration policy. She hopes to complete a doctoral degree in European Studies following the completion of her Master's program.

**Frédéric Gagnon** has a Bachelor degree in Law, *University of Sherbrooke* and *University of Montpellier* (France). He is a member of Quebec's Bar since 2006. He received a Master in International Law in 2009, from the Université de Montréal. He is a lawyer for Pion et Associés since 2008. Frédéric is writing multiple papers on European Union law, on human rights and also writes for the Faculty of Law's student news paper. He has participated in United Nations simulations at McGill's University and in New York. He is a recipient of a scholarship from the Chair *Jean Monnet en droit européen of University of Montreal*. He has many foreign experiences including working in France, studying in France and travelling in Western and Eastern Europe and Asia.

**Philip Giurlando** has an honours BA in public administration from Ryerson University. Also has an MA in International Relations from Queens University. Is a second year PhD student at Queens University, specializing in International Relations and comparative politics. Writing his dissertation on Italy and EMU and is approaching it with an interdisciplinary focus. Research interests include Italian politics, European politics, politics of European Integration, ideational and constructivist theory and ontology.

**Anthony F. Imbrogno** is from Calgary, Alberta and is currently a PhD candidate at McGill University. At the University of Calgary he completed degrees in Finance and Political Science (Honours). His undergraduate thesis concerned economic convergence in the European Union and the case of Ireland. Afterwards, he continued his studies at University College Dublin where he received a Masters of Economic Science in European Economic and Public Affairs. A two-year hiatus from academia saw Anthony working for Citigroup in the hedge funds industry. Now at McGill, he is continuing the work of his Masters by focusing on the topics of European and Canadian federalism. His other research interests include the politics of developed states, regionalism, international finance, political economy and election analysis.

**David K. Jones**, originally from New York City, is a doctoral student pursuing a joint degree in political science and health policy at the University of Michigan. He received his master's degree from the School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina, and his bachelor's degree in sociology from McGill University in Montréal. He has worked in policy settings such as L'École des Hautes Études en Santé Publique in Rennes, France and the North Carolina Institute of Medicine. He has also worked in political settings, such as with the Chair of the Health Committee in the Canadian House of Commons, in Congressman Charles Rangel's district office in Harlem, and in the Idaho House of Representatives. In addition to completing his coursework, he is currently studying the political and policy implications of health reform in France.

**Markus Kip** is a PhD candidate in Sociology at York. He is an associate of the Canadian Centre for German and European Studies and the City Institute. His dissertation research will compare trade unions' support for migrant workers in Frankfurt and Stockholm. Prior to his graduate studies at York, he has been working as an organizer with the homeless-led organization "Picture the Homeless" in New York City.

**Christopher Leite** is an MA candidate at the School of Political Studies, University of Ottawa, with a BA (Hons) in Political Science from McMaster University, Hamilton. He has submitted an article, co-authored, for publication in *Security Dialogue*, has presented his work at the European Union Centre of Excellence Graduate Student Conference, Carleton University, and has submitted articles for presentation at conferences in Victoria

and Montreal. His research interests include security and strategic studies, foreign and military policies, practices of democratisation, European Politics, and the European Union.

**Christine Maydossian**, born in Toronto, received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Glendon College, York University in 2007. Now a Masters student, she is completing the final semester of her bilingual degree at the Glendon School of Public and International Affairs at York University, which included an exchange in the Master Affaires Publiques program at Sciences Po, Paris. After having participated in the Canada-EU Study Tour in May 2009, she completed an internship at the Department of Justice and Home Affairs at the Mission of Canada to the European Union in Brussels, Belgium. Her research interests include joint efforts by Canada and the EU to deter illegal immigration and the recent *Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement* between the two regions.

**Simeon Mitropolitski** is a PhD candidate at the Political science department at the University of Montreal where he also teaches a course on Qualitative methods in political science. He has a Master of Arts degree from McGill University, and also degrees of Bachelor of Arts from McGill University and from Sofia university (Bulgaria). His MA thesis tries to evaluate the existing theoretical models in political science regarding the post-communist political regime diversity. His current interests lie with the understanding of the role of the European integration on the post-communist democratization. This topic is part of a larger one dealing with the relations between politics and culture. His current research is supervised by Prof. McFalls from the Political science department at the University of Montreal.

**Marie-Christine Morin** est maître en Droit (L.L.M) et se spécialise en Relations internationales et en Droit international. En tant qu'adjointe de recherche au CEIM dans le cadre du projet ETIC, elle est chargée d'analyser la problématique de la mondialisation du droit de la concurrence via l'étude des débats politico-juridiques américains et européens en la matière. Dans cette optique, ses travaux se concentrent plus particulièrement sur l'examen du cas Microsoft. De plus, ses études en droit et en science politique lui procurent une formation multidisciplinaire et lui permettent de conjuguer, au sein d'une même réflexion philosophique, les sphères juridique, politique et économique. Durant ses études à la maîtrise, elle a exploré plusieurs problématiques se rattachant à l'étude comparée des systèmes juridiques et de la gouvernance mondiale et a acquis de très bonnes connaissances des sphères économiques, politiques, et juridiques sur le plan international. Dans son projet final, à travers l'étude des systèmes de droit canadien et chinois, elle a dégagé le rôle de la gouvernance globale dans l'uniformisation normative des différents systèmes juridiques, notamment dans les domaines économique et commercial.

**Adrienne Novak** is completing an MA degree in Public and International Affairs at York University. Toward the end of her BA in European Studies at the University of Toronto, she developed an interest in the Baltic Sea Region and has since interned with the Canadian Embassy in Latvia. She appreciates the opportunity to discuss her research at the European Studies Conference and welcomes any feedback on her presentation.

**Cristina Onose** is a Master student at the University of Toronto in the European, Russian and Eurasian Studies Program. After acquiring her Bachelor's Degree in International Studies from York University - Glendon College, she has worked as a Legislative Assistant for a Member of Provincial Parliament. Cristina is also involved in extra-curricular and community activities. She is currently part of the Graduate Students' Union at the

University of Toronto, and founder of the Romanian-Canadian Club of Toronto. She has also taken leadership in various community events and fundraisers organized in collaboration with organizations such as Habitat for Humanity Toronto and the Brain Injury Association of Canada. This summer, she will be in Europe attending various conferences hosted by E.U. institutions, where she will be learning more about E.U. policy-making and integration strategies.

**Karina Pogosyan** is a graduate of York University where she obtained a Bachelor (Honours) Degree in Law and Society with a minor in Music. She is currently pursuing a bilingual Master's degree in Public and International Affairs at Glendon, York University. Her academic research interests are in human and minority rights and genocide studies. Research topics currently studied include human trafficking and the conditions of Roma populations in Europe. She plans to study human rights abuses by peacekeeping forces stationed abroad for her major research paper next year.

**Evgeny Postnikov** is a PhD student in the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs (GSPIA) at the University of Pittsburgh, studying IPE and foreign and security policy. His research interests include international relations theory, IPE, European integration, European foreign policy and EU-Russia relations. He has a master's degree in International Relations from International University Bremen and the University of Bremen in Germany and a diploma in International Relations from the University of Nizhniy Novgorod in Russia.

**Antonio Redfern Pucci** has been a lifelong citizen of Canada spending his childhood in Thunder Bay Ontario. He received his H.B.A. in political science from Lakehead University and previous to his acceptance into the MA program at Brock University spent a year at the University of Manitoba. His academic interest lies in post modern political theory and holds a wider interest in all aspects of the discipline. Currently he is in the process of applying for PhD programs throughout Canada and completing his major research paper under the guidance of Dr. Leah Bradshaw at Brock University. Beyond academics his passions include long distance running and athletics.

**Bojan Ratkovic**, born in Yugoslavia in 1987, experienced firsthand the hardships of the Yugoslav Civil Wars (1991-1995). He is a dual citizen of both Serbia and Canada and he holds an H.B.A. in political science from Brock University in Ontario, Canada. His research interests include European politics, the politics of Serbia, citizenship, deliberative democracy and nationalism. He is currently working on a Master's degree in political philosophy and his application for a PhD in political philosophy is currently under review by the University of Toronto.

**Nancy Spina** is a PhD student at the Department of Sociology and Equity Studies in Education at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education. She holds an MA in Women Studies from the University of British Columbia and a B.Ed from the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education. Her interests are post-nationalism, education, citizenship and theories of intersectionality with a focus on North America and Europe.

**Tristan Vellinga** is a Political Science PhD student at the University of Florida where he studies Comparative and American Politics. His interests include comparative EU studies, European Enlargement and its effect on member states and supranational organizations, Turkish Politics, and Turkey-EU relations. Current research focuses on the role that

enlargement has on the party systems of member states and what this means for larger trajectories of party competition and state development. Since his time in Florida, he has been learning Turkish and been active both within the political science department as well as with the university's Center for European Studies from which he will receive a Certificate of European Studies.

**Ania Zbyszewska** is a PhD candidate at the University of Victoria Faculty of Law and a member of CRIMT, the Inter-University Research Network on Work and Globalization. She obtained her LL.B. from University of Windsor (2005) and an Anthropology B.A. (Hons.) from the University of Toronto (2001). Prior to returning to graduate studies, Ania practiced labour and employment law at a union-side boutique firm in Toronto and clerked at the Superior Court of Justice. Her current research and prospective dissertation focuses on European Union's regulatory measures in the area of working-time, primarily the Directive on Working Time. Specifically, she is analyzing the extent to which the directive and the political discourse surrounding it represent a particular understanding of gender equality and their impact on working-time regimes in Poland.