

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

**THE POLITICS OF EXTREME AUSTERITY:
GREECE BEYOND THE CRISIS**

GLASGOW, 8 & 9 DECEMBER 2011

Draft Conference Programme

Thursday, 8 December 2011

9:00 – 10:00 Registration

10.00-10.15 Welcome - Organising Committee

10.15- 11.45 Panel 1: The Political Economy of the Crisis (1)

Chair/Discussant: Dr Dimitris Tsarouhas (Bilkent) / Prof Tony McGrew (Strathclyde) (tbc)

Prof. Antigone Lyberaki (Panteion) and Dr. Platon Tinios (Piraeus), "Informal social protection and family indebtedness: some hidden economic crisis dynamics"

Dr. M. Matsaganis (AUEB) and Chrysa Leventi (AUEB), "Poverty and inequality during the Great Recession: the case of Greece"

Dr Sotiria Theodoropoulou and Dr Andrew Watt (European Trade Union Institute), "The Greek tragedy: the abject failure of national austerity in the context of an unfinished monetary union"

Eoin Drea (Cork), "Repeating the Mistakes of Austerity? Lessons for Greece from the Irish Economic Experience of the 1920s and 1930s"

11.45-12.00 Coffee Break

12.00-1.00 Keynote Speech

Chair: Prof. Tony McGrew (tbc)

Professor Richard Rose, "Two Dimensions in Comparing Macro and Micro European Responses to the Crisis"

1.00-2.00 Buffet Lunch

2.00-3.30 Panel 2: The System under Pressure: Party Politics and Populism

Chair/Discussant: Dr Christopher Carman (Strathclyde) / Dr Myrto Tsakatika (Glasgow)

Dr Georgios Karyotis and Dr Wolfgang Rudig (Strathclyde), 'The electoral politics of extreme austerity'

Dr Dimitris Tsarouhas (Bilkent), "The cartel party thesis revisited: Greek party politics in the austerity era".

Dr Roman Gerodimos (Bournemouth), "Populism, victimhood and ethical austerity: addressing the root cause of the problem"

Dr Sofia Vasilopoulou (York), Dr Theofanis Eksadaktylos (Surrey), Dr Daphne Halikiopoulou (LSE), "Greece in crisis: the politics of populism in the age of austerity"

Yannis Balampanidis (Panteion) and Katerina Labrinou (Panteion), "The Greek Right towards austerity politics: aspects of euroscepticism"

3.30-4.00 Coffee Break

4.00-5.30 Panel 3: Protest and Civic Culture

Chair/Discussant: Dr Catherine Eschle (Strathclyde) / Dr Bice Maiguascha (Exeter)

Dr Athanasios Tsakiris (Athens) and Dr Valia Aranitou (Crete), "Social Protest in Greece During the Memorandum Period: the Case of Political Disobedience Against Cuts and Taxes"

Dr Georgios Karyotis and Dr Wolfgang Rudig (Strathclyde), "Who protests? An analysis of the profile of veteran and new protesters in Greece"

Dr Hartwig Pautz (Independent Researcher) and Margarita Komninou (Edinburgh), "Reactions to the crisis: appropriation movements in Greece and Germany"

Saliha Metinsoy (LSE), "Alienated Politics: Understanding the Street Protests in Greece at Times of Crisis"

7.00-8.00 Civic Reception (Glasgow City Chambers)

8.00 Conference Dinner

Friday, 9 December 2011

09.30-11.00 Panel 4: Constitution, Legitimacy and Citizenship

Chair/Discussant: Nondas Pitticas (University of West of Scotland) / Roman Gerodimos (Bournemouth)

Dr Christos Papastylianos (The Greek Ombudsman), "Constitutional amendments and legislative politics in Greece"

Dr Manos Papazoglou (Peloponnese), "Recovery through Leadership: Citizenship, Europeanization, Legitimacy"

Eleni Christodoulou (Birmingham), "Greek Politics and Passion(s): Reconstituting National Identity in the Midst of Financial Crisis"

Dr George Koukoudakis (Military Academy of Athens), "The Security Dilemma in the Aegean and its Impact on the Economic Crisis of Greece"

11.00-11.30 Coffee Break

11.30-1.00 Panel 5: Public Policy and Public Administration Reforms

Chair/Discussant: Dr Myrto Tsakatika (Glasgow) / tbc

Dr Stella Ladi (Panteion), "The Politics of the Economic Crisis and Governance in Greece and Cyprus: Opportunities and Constraints"

Dr Theofanis Eksadaktylos (Surrey) and Nikolaos Zahariadis (Alabama), "Policy Implementation and Political Trust: Greece in the Age of Austerity"

Dr Vasilis Leontitsis (LSE), "The 2010 municipality mergers in Greece: A lesson regarding the limits of reforms in periods of fiscal crisis"

Dr Georgios Chryssafis (Ministry of the Interior), "First Tier Local Government in Greece within the Administrative Reform and the Economic Crisis: Some Aspects of the Problem"

1.00-2.00 Buffet Lunch

2.00-3.30 Panel 6: Keynote Roundtable: Question Time

Moderator: Dr Stella Ladi – Dr Georgios Karyotis

Interactive discussion between panellists and delegates. Panel membership to be confirmed

3.30-3.45 Coffee

3.45-5.15 Panel 7: The Political Economy of the Crisis (2)

Chair/Discussant: tbc / Dr Dimitris Papadimitriou (Manchester)

Dr Platon Tinios (Piraeus), "Off-the-Shelf Reforms" and their blind spots: Pensions in post-memorandum Greece"

Dr Bill Paterson (Stirling), "A Greek Tragedy: Neoliberalism, Securitization and Consent"

Dr Anastasios Chardas (Sussex), "Can the literature on the 'Varieties of Capitalism' provide sufficient conceptual explanations about the configurations of the Greek political economy?"

Dr Mariana Jimenez Huerta (Queen Mary University of London) "The Paradox of Finance-led Growth: The Controversial Cases of Argentina and Greece"

Boyka Boneva (IIER), "The Moral Hazard from the Austerity Measures in Greece"

5.15-5.30 Conference Conclusions (GPSG Organising committee)

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