

## **National Parliaments and Europe**

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### **National Parliaments and Europe**

#### **OPAL project final conference draft programme**

□ **London, 31 March 2014**

**Europe House and Palace of Westminster**

The National Parliaments and Europe conference is organised to mark the end of a three-year collaborative project on national parliaments in the EU after the Treaty of Lisbon. It will be an occasion for the consortium partners of the Observatory of Parliaments After Lisbon (OPAL) project from the Universities of Cambridge, Cologne, Maastricht and Sciences Po Paris to present the most significant findings of their research, to exchange ideas with practitioners and to acknowledge the support of the individuals and institutions that made this project possible.

The event will bring together academics, parliamentarians and parliamentary staff from several EU member states to discuss the main themes of the OPAL Project including national parliamentary scrutiny of EU legislative and non-legislative affairs, the role of national parliaments in the management of the Eurozone financial crisis, and the evolution of inter-parliamentary cooperation after the Lisbon Treaty.

The conference will take place in two venues highlighting the relevance of both the European and national dimensions to our research: Europe House, which houses the London Offices of the European Parliament and European Commission, and the House of Commons.

*To request a registration form, please email Ania Dzieszowska at [amd93@cam.ac.uk](mailto:amd93@cam.ac.uk) . Due to*

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*space constraints, the number of participants is limited and places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.*

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### Part 1 – Role of National Parliaments after the Lisbon Treaty

Venue: Europe House, 32 Smith Square, London

10.00 – 10.25    Arrival, coffee

10.25 –10.30    Welcome address

- Dr Julie Smith – Director, European Centre, POLIS Department, University of Cambridge
  
- Björn Kjellström – Head of UK European Parliament Office

10.30 – 11.30    National parliamentary scrutiny of EU legislative processes: Legislative and administrative adaptation after Lisbon.

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- Chair – Dr Hans Hegeland, Committee Secretary, Swedish Parliament
  
  - Dr Katrin Auel – Associate Professor Institute for Advanced Studies, Vienna, and Dr Olivier Rozenberg – Associate Professor, Sciences Po Paris
  
  - Prof Christine Neuhold and Dr Anna-Lena Högenauer, Department of Political Science, Maastricht University
  
  - Jan Nico van Overbeeke – NDI’s resident director in Niger, former Permanent Representative of the Dutch parliament to the EU
  
  - Respondent – William Cash MP, Chairman of the European Scrutiny Committee, House of Commons
- 11.30 – 11.45    Coffee break
- 11.45 – 12.45    National parliamentary scrutiny of non-legislative EU affairs
- Chair – Lord Roper, immediate past Chairman of European Union Committee, House of Lords
  
  - Robert Walter, MP for North Dorset- (invited)

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- Pat Breen TD – Chairman of the Oireachtas Committee on Foreign Affairs and Trade

- James Spence – Lecturer at Sciences Po Paris and Consultant on EU budgetary matters (invited)

- Respondent – Dr Ariella Huff, Research Associate, Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Cambridge

12.45 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 14.30 National Parliaments and the financial crisis

- Chair – Dr. Christian Deubner, Independent consultant and Member of the Scientific Council of the FEP

- Dominic Hannigan TD – Chairman of the Oireachtas European Affairs Committee

- Oliver Höing – Research Associate at the Jean Monnet Chair, University of Cologne, and Prof Katrin Auel

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- Dr Aleksandra Maatsch – Research Associate, Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Cambridge
  
- Respondent – Mark Field, MP for Cities of London and Westminster

Part 2 – Inter - parliamentary cooperation after the Lisbon Treaty

Venue: House of Commons

15.30 – 16.30 Roundtable on inter-parliamentary cooperation, Grand Committee Room

- Chair – Prof Dr Thomas Christiansen, Jean Monnet Professor of European Institutional Politics, Maastricht University
  
- Lord Boswell – Chairman of the European Union Committee, House of Lords
  
- Dr Ian Cooper – Research Associate, Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Cambridge
  
- Enrique Barón Crespo – Chair Jean Monnet, University of Castilla-la Mancha, Former President European Parliament

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- Claudia Heffler – Research Associate at the Jean Monnet Chair, University of Cologne
  
- Loreta Raulinaityte – Director, Communications Department, former EU Presidency Coordinator, Lithuanian Seimas

16.30 – 18.00 Drinks and Canapés in the Members' Dining Room, House of Commons

- Lord Wallace of Saltaire, Government Whip with Responsibility for the Balance of Competences Review

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