

1st NEWGOV-CONNEX Training Course

**New Modes of Governance:
theoretical approaches and research methods**

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European University Institute, Florence

Purpose of the Training Course

The specific purpose of this training course sponsored by NEWGOV and CONNEX is to ensure that all researchers involved in the two Consortia are equipped with the tools to carry out their work effectively. In doing so it contributes to the broader concerns of NEWGOV and CONNEX to reinforce and deepen our knowledge of governance in the EU, extend established research methodologies within and across disciplines, and thereby also contribute to the building of social scientific capacity across the European Research Area.

The course will provide an intensive period of training for younger researchers from the partner institutions of both NEWGOV and CONNEX and the wider circle of affiliated institutions. The programme will include state-of-the-art lectures on approaches to the study of governance, training in basic social science research and presentation skills, and presentations by the participants of their own research, be it PhD projects or NEWGOV and CONNEX-related research. The aim will be to enhance the general skills of the students involved and to bring the expertise of the invited scholars to bear on their particular projects and research designs. Each day will include a presentation of the state-of-the-art in each professor's area of expertise, a discussion of the core methodological issues pertaining to the topic at hand, and several presentations and discussions of the student work.

The course is jointly organised by the Integrated Project *NEWGOV – New Modes of Governance*, and the Network of Excellence *CONNEX - Connecting Excellence on European Governance*. Both projects are multiannual programmes within the EU's Sixth Framework Programme of Research in the priority area of 'Citizens and Governance in the Knowledge-based Society'. Approximately 300 scholars cooperate within the two projects. NEWGOV's 26 sub-projects and two task forces examine the transformation of governance in and beyond Europe by mapping, evaluating and analysing the emergence, execution, and evolution of 'New Modes of Governance'. CONNEX seeks to integrate independent fundamental research and mobilise outstanding scholars from different disciplines to deepen our knowledge of European multilevel governance and build a Europe-wide research community of scientific excellence.

Programme

The programme of the training course will consist of five working days, each one supervised by different senior scholars. Each day will begin with a state-of-the-art lecture focusing on the day's topic, followed by presentations and discussions of the research topics and designs of course participants. It will conclude with a lecture by the same scholar on his/her current research with a special emphasis on research methods.

The course will be led by the scientific course directors Profs. Jelle Visser and Martin Rhodes.

The following scholars will take responsibility for individual working days:

- Prof. Dr. **Renate Mayntz**, Emeritus Director of the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Cologne;
Topic: *Governance Theory and Comparative Research Methods*
- Prof. **Andreas Føllesdal**, Director of Research, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo;
Topic: *Democracy, Legitimacy and Accountability of Governance*
- Prof. Dr. **Wolfgang Wessels**, Jean-Monnet Professor, Department for Political Science and European Affairs at the University of Cologne;
Topic: *Theoretical and Strategic Approaches on the Deepening and Widening of the European Union*
- Prof. **Jelle Visser**, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam Institute for Advanced Labour Studies, and Prof. **Martin Rhodes**, European University Institute/University of Denver;
Topic: *Socio-economic Governance, Corporate Governance, Varieties of Capitalism*
- Prof. Dr. **Adrienne Héritier**, Chair of Public Policy, European University Institute, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, Florence;
Topic: *Old versus New Modes of Governance: Hypothesis Testing in Qualitative Research*

Conditions and Organisational Details

Applicants should be **PhD-students** with a relevant thematic focus (governance, democratic theory, European integration, etc.). While the programme is primarily directed towards political science PhD students, law and economics students are welcome to apply. Applicants should have obtained an advanced-level university degree (MA or equivalent) and should be PhD students affiliated to a university or higher education institution (e.g. enrolled in a PhD-programme). The total number of participants will not exceed twenty-five.

Preference will be given to applications from both the **NEWGOV** and **CONNEX** partner institutions. Their travel expenses (special restrictions apply), subsistence and accommodation during the course will be covered by the NEWGOV project; hence their participation will be **free of charge**.

PhD-students from **other institutions**, both from European and non-European countries, are welcome to apply. While the participation in the course is free of charge, they will however have to pay a **fee of 600 EUR** which covers the expenses for accommodation (6 days, standard 2-star hotel) and subsistence during the training course. Participants must pay their own travel costs.

The **selection** will be based on the quality of the applications, in particular of the research outline submitted together with the application. An even gender balance of course participants is envisaged. The final selection will be made by NEWGOV and CONNEX. Applicants will

be informed by the end of March 2006. Successful applicants will receive additional information and a list of relevant basic texts.

Deadline

The deadline for submitting the application is: **28 February, 2006**. Applications should be sent to the following e-mail address: NEWGOV@iue.it

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Andreas Føllesdal, Ph.D., is Professor of Political Philosophy at the Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo. He studied psychology, sociology and philosophy at the universities of Oslo, Bergen and Uppsala (Sweden), before obtaining a Ph.D. in philosophy from Harvard University in 1991 as a Fulbright Fellow.

Føllesdal publishes in the field of political philosophy with a focus on issues of international political theory and Human Rights, particularly as they arise in the wake of changes in Europe. He has written on distributive justice, federalism, minority rights, deliberative democracy, subsidiarity and European citizenship, in such journals as *Journal of Political Philosophy*, *Law and Philosophy*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *International Journal on Minority and Group Rights*, *Metaphilosophy*, and *Global Society*. He has published books on democracy in the EU, on the welfare state in Europe, animal ethics, and on Consultancy in Europe.

Føllesdal is Founding Series Editor of *Themes in European Governance*, Cambridge University Press. He participates in several European Union research projects, is a regular Visiting Scholar at the Harvard Center for European Studies, and has served on advisory boards in Norway, Sweden and the United States. During the period 1994-2005 he worked as Research Professor at ARENA, a research program on the Europeanisation of the Nation State. He was Full Professor at the Department of Philosophy, University of Oslo, 1999-2005.

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Adrienne Héritier

Prof. Héritier joined the EUI on March 1st, 2003. Prof. Héritier has been appointed to the Chair of Public Policy. This is a joint Chair between the Department of Political and Social Sciences and the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies.

Adrienne Héritier was professor of political and administrative science at the University of Konstanz for six years and had a full professorship in political science at the University of Bielefeld from 1990 until 1995. For four years (1991-1995) she was chief editor of the *Politische Vierteljahresschrift*. In 1994 she was awarded (jointly with Helmut Willke) the Leibniz Prize for scholarly excellence by the German Science Foundation. In 1995 she was elected a regular member of the Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften. Her main publications are in the fields of policy analysis and policy network analysis, implementation research, comparative policy making, European policy-making processes, neo-institutionalism. She was directing a research programme on the “changing state in Europe” investigating policy patterns, political and administrative practices in various European member-states which are to be observed in the context of the European Union.

Present research projects focus on new modes of governance in Europe; the deregulation and re-regulation of the utilities' sectors, and changing legislative processes in the European Union.

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Renate Mayntz

Graduation from high school in Berlin 1947. Studies at Wellesley College, USA (B.A. 1950), and the Free University Berlin (Dr. phil. 1953). Full-time research work at the UNESCO Institute of Social Research, Cologne (1953-1957), followed by grant-financed research work in Berlin and a year as Rockefeller Fellow in the United States. Appointed Full Professor of Sociology at the Free University of Berlin in 1965, at the Postgraduate School of Administrative Sciences in Speyer in 1971, and at the University of Cologne in 1973. Founded the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies (MPIfG) in Cologne in 1985. Director at the MPIfG from 1985 until her retirement in 1997.

Foreign teaching assignments: Columbia University, New York; New School for Social Research, New York; University of Edinburgh; FLASCO (Facultad Latino-Americana de Ciencias Sociales), Santiago de Chile; Stanford University, California. Renate Mayntz served on the German Council for Educational Reform, the Commission for the Reform of Public Administration, and the Senate of the German Research Council. Research interests: sociological macro-theory, comparative social and political research, organizational and administrative sociology, sociology of technology.

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Martin Rhodes

Martin Rhodes holds a D. Phil. from the University of Oxford (1985) and an M.A. (1st Class) from the University of Canterbury, New Zealand. Before arriving at the EUI, he was a Senior Lecturer in Government at the University of Manchester, UK. From 1995-1999 he was a research professor in the Robert Schuman Centre at the EUI, and since 1999 has been a professor in the Department of Political and Social Sciences. He has acted as a consultant on the world steel market and the Italian economy for the Economist Intelligence Unit and Oxford Analytica, as well as to the European Commission and the Italian Government on social and employment policy. He has been a visiting professor at the Universities of Madison and Washington. Since 2004 he has been Scientific Director of the NEWGOV consortium, a position he relinquishes to Prof. Adrienne Héritier from January 2006 when he takes up a new position at the University of Denver, Colorado.

His research focuses on various areas of European public policy, including EU social and labour market policy and comparative industrial, employment and welfare policies among EU member states, as well as Italian politics. He was founder and co-editor of *South European Society and Politics* from 1995-1999 and has been co-editor of *European Political Science* since 2001.

Recent publications include: 'The European Employment Strategy and the OMC: Efficacy versus Experimentation in New Modes of Governance' in H. Wallace, W. Wallace and M. Pollack (eds.), *Policy-Making in the European Union*, Oxford University Press, 2005; and (with B. Hancké), 'EMU and Labour Market Institutions in Europe: The Rise and Fall of National Social Pacts', *Work and Occupations*, spring-summer 2005.

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Jelle Visser is professor of empirical sociology and chair of sociology of labour and organization at the University of Amsterdam, where he directs the Amsterdam Institute for Advanced Labour Studies (AIAS), an interdisciplinary centre for research and graduate teaching at the University of Amsterdam, with participation from economics, sociology, psychology, law and occupational health. He has been associated with the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies in Cologne.

He worked as consultant to the Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development in Paris, the European Commission, the International Labour Organization in Geneva, the Dutch Government and the Irish National Economic and Social Council. He was member of the High-Level Group on Industrial Relations and Change, advising the European Commission, and has been appointed Chief Editor for the 2004 Industrial Relations in Europe report of the European Commission.

Jelle Visser is the (co-)author of several books and some 100 refereed articles on industrial relations, trade unions, labour markets, working time and organisation. His recent books include: "Trade Unions in Western Europe Since 1945" (with Bernard Ebbinghaus) in the "Societies of Europe" series of Macmillan, London (2000); "A Dutch Miracle. Job Growth, Welfare Reform and Corporatism in the Netherlands" (Amsterdam University Press, 1997), with Anton Hemerijck; "Industrial Relations in Europe. Traditions and Transitions" (Sage, London, 1996, with Joris van Ruysseveldt), and "In Search of Inclusive Unionism" (Kluwer, Deventer and Boston, 1990).

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Wolfgang Wessels

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Wessels has a Master Degree in Economic and Political Science (1973), a doctorate in political science from the University of Cologne (1979) and he received the *Venia legendi* in Political Science of the University of Bonn in 1990. Since summer 1994 he is chairman of the Jean Monnet Chair for Political Science at the University of Cologne. Furthermore he is member of the executive board at the Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP, Berlin), Chairman of the Trans European Political Studies Association (TEPSA, Brussels), and Visiting Professor at the College of Europe, Brugge and Natolin.

His priorities in teaching and research include the political system of the European Union, the role of the EU in the international system, the deepening and widening of the EU, the transformation of political systems in Europe and theories about international relations and European integration. Prof. Wessels is co-editor of the "Jahrbuch der Europäischen Union" and the "Europa von A-Z. Taschenbuch der europäischen Integration".

Most recent publications include: 'The Constitutional Treaty: Three Readings from a Fusion Perspective', *Journal of Common Market Studies*, Annual Review 2004/2005, The European Union, 11-36; 'Theoretischer Pluralismus und Integrationsdynamik: Herausforderungen für den *acquis académique*', in: Bieling, Hans-Jürgen/Lerch, Marika (eds.): *Theorien europäischer Integration*, Wiesbaden 2005, pp. 431-461; (with Andreas Maurer) 'Das Europäische Parlament nach Amsterdam und Nizza: Akteur, Arena und Alibi', Baden-Baden 2003.

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