

The Hague University of Applied Sciences organizes in cooperation with the Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA) a conference on

FUTURE MODELS OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION

THURSDAY

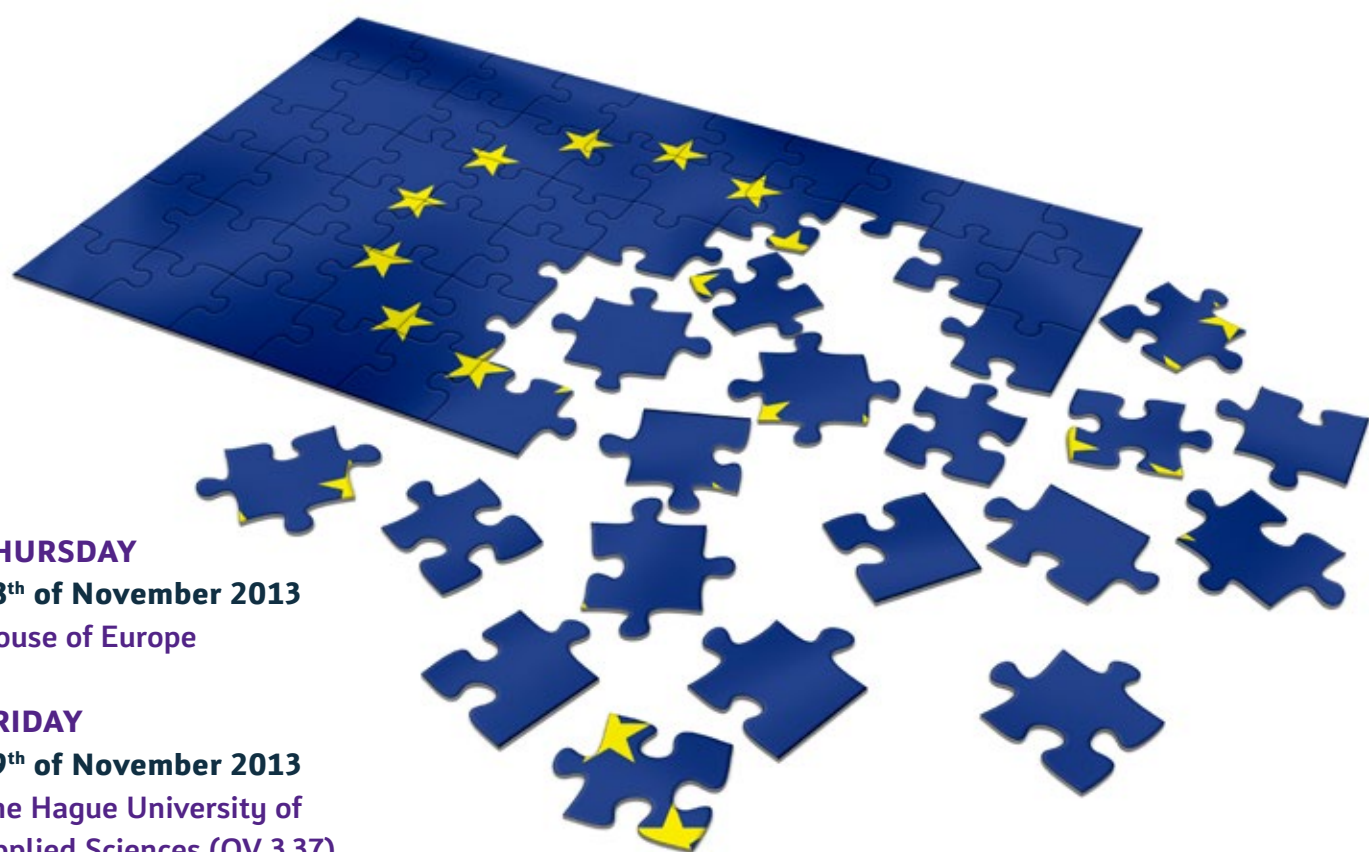
28th of November 2013

House of Europe

FRIDAY

29th of November 2013

The Hague University of Applied Sciences (OV 3.37)



On Thursday 28 and Friday 29 November 2013 the Research Group European Integration of The Hague University of Applied Sciences organizes, in cooperation with the Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA) a conference entitled **Future Models of European Integration**.

The Conference will discuss *models of differentiated integration*. The idea being that without such models, the European Union may probably not survive in the future. Indeed, the group of existing member states is not a homogeneous group. Between the partners there exist substantive differences as to economic and/or social development. Thus one may hardly expect that all member states will be able to cooperate in the future in a uniform manner and simultaneously in all policy domains.

The first file open for discussion concerns *Economic Governance*. Indeed, economic and monetary policy has from the outset been an area where not all Member States participate in a similar manner. The recent ESM (European Stability Mechanism) Treaty as well as the Fiscal Compact Treaty have only confirmed this fact.

In a second part the potential of *enhanced cooperation* will be discussed. So far this general treaty principle has been applied in three cases. However, in the future more use will respectively should be made of this principle, eventually by creating more flexibility as to the modalities of application of enhanced cooperation.

Thereafter in three parallel sessions specific case studies will be discussed. A first topic concerns the possibilities to introduce varieties of differentiated cooperation in *Common Foreign and Security Policy*, after the example of the *Area of Freedom, Security and Justice* where for example three member states have been granted full-fledged derogations. Then attention will be given to the possibility to involve *neighbouring countries* and *applicant countries* in crucial domains of EU cooperation according to the model of gradualness. Moreover tensions related to *independentism* within individual member states will be analysed: what would it mean for EU membership when a given member state would fall apart?

Finally and in the light of the findings reached during the discussions over the other topics, the best approach(es) to be followed by the European Union as a whole will be discussed.

Registration and more information

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Venue

Thursday 28 November 2013 – House of Europe

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PROGRAMME

Thursday 28 November 2013

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13.30 Arrival, registration & coffee

14.00 Opening

14.15 Session I – Economic Governance

- *Iain Begg*, European Institute, London School of Economics
- *Fabian Amtenbrink*, Erasmus University Rotterdam
- *Ramūnas Vilpišauskas*, Vilnius University, Lithuania

15.45 Break

16.15 Session II – Enhanced Cooperation

- *Jaap de Zwaan*, The Hague University/ Erasmus University Rotterdam
- *René Repasi*, Heidelberg University, Germany

17.30 End of discussions - Drinks

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9.00 Coffee

9.30 Parallel Sessions III Differentiated Integration

1. Unity or diversity?

- *Gianni Bonvicini*, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome
- *Jan Rood*, Clingendael, The Hague

2. Enlargement/Neighbourhood policies

- *Marc Maresceau*, University Ghent, Belgium
- *Jan Marinus Wiersma*, Clingendael, The Hague

3. Independentism in Europe

- *Graham Avery*, St. Antony's College, Oxford University
- *Anneleen van Bossuyt*, Adviseur Europa, Studiedienst Nieuw-Vlaamse Alliantie, Brussels

10.45 Break

11.15 Session IV

Which Model for the European Union?

- *Brendan Donnelly*, The Federal Trust for Education and Research, London
- *Thijs van der Plas*, Director European Integration, Foreign Office, The Hague
- *Joris Voorhoeve*, The Hague University/ Leyden University

12.45 Final conclusions

13.00 Luncheon and farewell

