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Wednesday 2 July 2003

9:30-10:00

Opening

Chairman (morning session): MOSHÉ MACHOVER, King's College, London and The London School of Economics

10:00-10:50

William Zwicker, Union College, Schenectady (NY), *The mean and median in social choice theory.*

10:50-11:10

Coffee break

11:10-12:00

Annick Laruelle and Federico Valenciano, University of Alicante and University of the Basque Country, Bilbao, *Bargaining, voting and value.*

12:00-14:00

Lunch

Chairman (afternoon session): MAURICE SALLES, University of Caen

14:00-14:50

Jean-François Laslier and Karine Van der Straeten, École Polytechnique, Paris, *Approval voting experiments.*

14:50-15:10

Coffee break

15:10-16:10

Keynote address: Michel Balinski, École Polytechnique, Paris, *From principles to electoral practice: lessons from the French experience.*

16:10-17:10

Keynote address: Steven Brams, New York University, *Voter sovereignty and election outcomes* (with Remzi Sanver).

17:15-18:15

Round table on the harmonization of voting procedures in Europe.

Thursday 3 July 2003

Chairman (morning session): RUDY FARA, The London School of Economics

10:00-10:50

Hannu Nurmi, University of Turku, *The open-list PR system*.

10:50-11:10

Coffee break

11:10-12:00

Friedrich Pukelsheim, University of Augsburg, *The German electoral systems*.

12:00-14:00

Lunch

Chairman (afternoon session): DENNIS LEECH, Warwick University

14:00-14:50

Peter Emerson, The De Borda Institute (Belfast), *An electoral system to consolidate a regional, national and continental peace*.

14:50-15:10

Coffee break

15:10-16:00

Marc Feix, Dominique Lepelley, Vincent Merlin and Jean-Louis Rouet, University of Caen and University of Orléans, *Representation of nations and citizens in the EU council*.

16:00-16:50

Abraham Diskin, Dan Felsenthal and Moshé Machover, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, University of Haifa, King's College (London) and London School of Economics, *Closeness of results in two-candidate elections and yes-no referenda*.

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