



Southern European Socialism in the 1980s

5-6 December 2014

European University Institute (EUI), Badia Fiesolana - Sala del Capitolo

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By 1983, socialist governments had gained power across Mediterranean Europe. While this period saw a prominent shift to the right in many of the Western countries with Thatcher, Kohl and Reagan coming to power, socialist premiers such as Gonzalez, Craxi, Papandreu, Soares, and Mitterrand loomed large on the European and Cold War scene. The proposed conference will engage critically with the Socialist period of Southern Europe and evaluate its impact on France, Greece, Italy, Portugal and Spain in the 1980s. Participating scholars will be asked to employ comparative analytical approaches across the five countries in order to examine similarities and differences at the socio-economic and political levels. The two day conference will consist of four panels and will culminate in a roundtable discussion examining the legacies of the Southern European socialist era on the respective countries and the European and international system. The official language of the conference will be English. The papers will be interdisciplinary in nature and comparative in scope.

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Day One, 5 December 2014 (Friday)

Time	Topic	Chair/Discussant	Panelist/ Speaker	Paper Title
9.30-10.00	Coffee and Registration			
	Opening Remarks	Federico Romero and Eirini Karamouzi		
10.00-12.00	Panel I: The Institutionalization of Democracy	Chair: Luc-André Brunet (LSE IDEAS)	Susannah Verney (University of Athens)	From Mediterranean Socialism to Community South: The European integration framework and the evolution of PASOK
		Discussant: Zoe Lefkofridi (EUI/University of Salzburg)	Maria Elena Cavallaro (IMT Institute for Advanced Studies, Lucca)	The Spanish Socialist Workers' Party and the consolidation of democracy between the heritage of Europeanism and the European integration process
			Ana Mónica Fonseca (University Institute Lisbon)	The Socialist International and Portugal in the 1980s
12.30-14.00	Lunch			
14.00-16.00	Panel II: Party Politics and Style of Leadership	Chair: Eirini Karamouzi (Sheffield/ Oxford)	Luigi Musella (Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II)	The PSI of Craxi. A personal leadership
		Discussant: Jonathan Hopkin (LSE)	Takis Pappas (University of Macedonia/ EUI)	Populism versus Socialism: Comparing the Politics of Greece and Spain in the 1980s
			Alan Granadino (EUI)	Redefining Socialism? The Portuguese Socialist Party and the meetings of the Southern European Socialist Parties (1980-1982)
16.00-16.30	Coffee Break			
16.30-18.30	Panel III. Economics and Finance	Chair: Othon Anastasakis (Oxford)	Vincent Duchaussoy (Université de Rouen)	1981-1983: A European constraint on the French economic policy?
		Discussant: Emmanuel Comte (EUI)	Paul Kennedy (University of Bath)	From crisis to boom: Reconversion and European Integration under the PSOE 1982-89
			Ana Bela Nunes (University of Lisbon, ISEG)	The Portuguese economy in the 1980s: structural change and short-term upheavals
20.00	Dinner			

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Day Two, 6 December 2014

Time	Topic	Chair/Discussant	Panelist/ Speaker	Paper Title
9.00-11.00	Panel IV. Actors within the European integration process and the Cold War	Chair: Federico Romero (EUI)	Georges Saunier (Institut Mitterrand)	Shaping Europe : the French socialist diplomacy in perspective
		Discussant: Piers Ludlow (LSE)	Antonio Varsori (University of Padua)	The Italian Socialists between European choice and Atlantic loyalty: a successful policy or mere illusions?
			Konstantina Botsiou (University of Peloponnese)	European and Atlantic dilemmas for the Greek socialists in the 1980s
11.00-11.30	Coffee Break			
11.30-13.30	Panel VI. Roundtable: The legacies of the Socialist Rule in Southern Europe	Moderator: Brigid Laffan(EUI)	Charles Powell (Real Instituto Elcano)	
			António Costa Pinto (University of Lisbon)	
			Laurent Bouvent (Université de Versailles)	
			Othon Anastasakis (Oxford)	
			Federico Romero (EUI)	

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