



The European Financial Crisis and German Politics and Policy

**University of Sussex
Conference Centre
Bramber House
Falmer, Brighton
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Friday 24th February 2012

Overview

This workshop analyses the impact of the Eurocrisis on both the domestic and international politics of the Federal Republic of Germany. As Europe's richest state and the possessor of the continent's most robust economy, Germany has been at the centre of attempts to bail out heavily indebted Euro states in the south and west. Whilst continually stressing their commitment both to the Euro and to deeper European integration, German politicians – and most certainly German electors – have none the less been reluctant to transfer the huge sums of money required to the mechanisms created to help bail out indebted national economies.

The papers presented at this workshop will outline whether the Eurocrisis has had profound impacts on three levels of politics; the domestic, the European and the international. The papers cover various aspects of political economy, party politics and international relations, and it is hoped that the event will offer a first opportunity to systematically analyse the impact of the Eurocrisis on Germany both at home and abroad.

Preliminary Programme

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10h00 – 10h30 *Coffee and Registration*

10h30 – 10h45 *Introduction*

- Dan Hough (University of Sussex)

10h45 – 12h45 *The Political Economy of the Eurocrisis*

- Daniela Schwarzer (SWP, Berlin): 'The German Government's Eurocrisis Strategy'
- Wade Jacoby (Brigham Young University): to be confirmed
- Alan Mayhew (University of Sussex): 'Europa sucht den Superstar! Why does everyone believe only Germany can save Europe?'
- Lucia Quaglia (University of Sussex): 'The political economy of German financial regulation and the Eurocrisis'

12h45 – 13h45 Lunch

13h45 – 15h00 *The Party Politics of the Eurocrisis*

- Charles Lees (University of Bath): 'Stumbling from pillar to post? The CDU/CSU-FDP Government and the Eurocrisis'
- Dan Hough (University of Sussex): 'The aims, strategies and tactics of the opposition parties'

15h00 – 15h30 *Coffee*

15h30 – 17h00 *The Eurocrisis and its Impact on Germany's Foreign Policy*

- William E. Paterson (Aston University): 'Germany's (changing?) European Vocation'
- Jackson Janes (AICGS, Washington D.C.): 'Germany, the USA and Transatlantic Relations'
- Kai Oppermann (University of Cologne): 'Same same, but different? Germany's foreign policy in 2011 and beyond'

17h00 *Concluding Remarks*

- Alan Mayhew (University of Sussex)



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If you would like to attend the conference, please return the booking form to Amanda Sims at the following address

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The attendance fee is £25 per person. Please return cheques, payable to the University of Sussex, to the address above with your application form. Please note that the event is free for postgraduate members of the IASGP – if you are a student and not yet a member of the IASGP, then it only costs £7.50 to become one. Membership applications can be made quickly and simply via www.iasgp.org/membership.asp. Once you have registered for the conference, then your registration is binding. Registration includes lunch and refreshments throughout the day. For further questions please don't hesitate to contact Dan Hough at d.t.hough@sussex.ac.uk

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