

BRITAIN AND EUROPE: POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REPERCUSSIONS OF THE CRISIS

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A future referendum on the UK's membership of the EU will be shaped by the trajectory taken by the EU itself. The Eurozone remains economically stagnant. Established parties in France, Spain, Italy and Greece are in crisis with new movements challenging national political establishments. EU institutions have been transformed by the crisis; some have been strengthened, others have been weakened. The future of Britain's relationship to the EU will be shaped by the evolution of the Eurozone and its economic performance, the changing institutional architecture of the EU, and the crisis of party democracy faced by many EU member states. This conference, organized by the Cambridge-based collaborative network on Britain in Europe (NEWBIE), will examine and debate these themes in detail.

9:00-9:30 Arrival, registration

9:30-9:45 Welcome address from NEWBIE steering committee members

9:45-11:15 **Panel 1: Crisis in the Eurozone: Does it Matter for Britain?**
Chair: Ferdinando Giugliano (*Financial Times*, Leader writer on economics)
Speakers: Dr Dermot Hodson (Senior Lecturer, Birkbeck), Dr Monique Ebell (Research Fellow, NIESR), Prof. Nicolas Crafts (University of Warwick), Dr Henning Meyer (Social Europe)

11:15-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-13:00 **Panel 2: Europe's Changing Institutional Landscape: Implications for Britain?**
Chair: John Peet (Europe editor, *The Economist*). Speakers: Dr Christine Reh (University College, London), Professor Hussein Kassim (University of East Anglia, ESRC Senior Fellow), Nick Witney (Senior Policy Fellow, European Council on Foreign Relations)

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:30 **Panel 3: The Politics of Crisis: Lessons from the UK and Europe**
Chair: Quentin Peel (*Financial Times*/Mercator Senior Fellow at Chatham House). Speakers: Prof. Brigid Laffan (European University Institute, Florence), Prof. Drew Scott (University of Edinburgh), Prof. Kevin Featherstone (London School of Economics), Prof. Christian Lequesne (Sciences Po, Paris)

16:00-17:00 Keynote speaker (TBC)

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