Join us for a focused debate on the eve of a referendum that is potentially the most significant in European history. The schedule is as follows:

14.00: Coffee and introductions
14.15: The treasury report and the economics of Brexit (Ian Manners and Holly Snaith, CEP)
14.45: The vote leave campaign and impact on the Conservative party (Ben Rosamond, CEP and Eddie Ashbee, CBS)
15.15: Break
15.30: What lessons does the UK have for Denmark? (Rebecca Adler-Nissen, CEP)
16.00: What are the consequences for the EU? (Mads Dagnis Jensen, RUC and Maja Kluger Rasmussen, Think Tank Europa).
16.30: Close
For more information please check out the Facebook event.

**CEP Researchers at Folkemødet 2016**

Professor and Director of CEP, Marlene Wind, and Professor Martin Marcussen will be debating at Folkemødet. Wind has been invited to participate in a debate about the future of the Nation State in light of European integration and a debate about the future of the EU. Marcussen will be debating the foreign policy options for a small state like Denmark and what tools are needed to be an influential player on the global stage. Moreover Marcussen will participate in a roundtable on the challenges companies face in a reality of conflict ridden and unstable export markets posing new threats. For more information see the full programme. (*Photo:* Søren Svendsen)

**Op-ed by Marlene Wind on incompetent political leaders**

In an op-ed by Professor Marlene Wind delivers a critic of the constant blaming of the EU rather than the national capitals for the current malaise of Europe. According to Wind the portrayal by many politicians and the media of the EU as a faceless monster which has caused the crisis Europe currently faces is far from the truth. It is not the EU which has failed. Instead it is the modern political leaders who are afraid to lead. Read the article on EurActive’s website.

**Morten Nørgaard Christensen wins CEP prize for the best MA thesis on EU**

In his thesis Morten investigates the instruments the EU has at its disposal to secure democracy and the rule of law in the member states thereby upholding the EU's
Democracy and the rule of law in the member states thereby upholding the EU’s credibility and coherence as a club of democratic states. The analysis is carried out as a case study of Hungary, which during Victor Őrban's time in government has taken a more and more authoritarian path. CEP Director Marlene Wind presented the prize to Morten at the annual graduation ceremony in May on the ground that "the thesis is not only a very thorough and independent piece of work it also contributes with new insights into the EU’s attempts to address the political developments in Hungary". The thesis will be available at the CEP website.

Burning Questions about Brexit Debated

Monday 13th of June CEP had the pleasure of co-organising with the Danish Association of European Law the public seminar: "Brexit: Burning Questions." On the occasion of the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare’s death the internationally renowned Professor of English and European Law, Paul Craig, from the University of Oxford, took the audience through a 4 acts drama on the political and legal aspects of the British referendum on whether to leave or remain in the EU. Professor Craig was followed by Freja Sine Thorsboe, who is a member of the European Commission’s Task Force for Strategic Issues Related to the UK Referendum. In her talk Freja Thorsboe explained the process of negotiating the New Settlement between the EU and the UK. Professor and Director of CEP Marlene Wind concluded the seminar by posing some critical questions to the two experts, which was followed up by a lively Q&A session with the audience.

Publication on the legal, political & economic implications of Brexit

CEP researcher Holly Snaith has together with Graham Butler from the Faculty of Law at the University of Copenhagen and Mads Dagnis Jensen from Roskilde University edited the debate section “British Exit from the EU: Legal and Political Implications” in the Journal of European Public Policy's May edition. The section looks at the political, legal and economic implications of an exit for both the Member State in question, and the Union as a whole. Beyond the immediate case of the forthcoming British referendum in June 2016, the Debate Section focuses on issues that may arise in future scenarios, such as (re)negotiation of a ‘new settlement’, referendums, the broader
implications of a shrinking Union, and challenges for the broadening levels of uncertainty.

PhD Defence

Nikolay Vasev will Thursday 23rd of June defend his PhD thesis: "Patient mobility amidst political paralysis: Europeanization of national healthcare systems or the lack thereof". The thesis examines the transposition and implementation of Directive 2011/24/EU on the application of patients’ rights in cross-border healthcare in several European Member States. Austria and Bulgaria in particular. The instrument is the first of its format, which give EU patients’ access to healthcare within other EU Member States. As the Directive facilitates patients easier access to healthcare services in other Member States, it is principally antithetical to the fundamental organizational principles of European national healthcare systems. This conflict has prompted many of the Member States to respond in a minimalistic or restrictive way, in both the transposition and the implementation of the Directive. The defence is open to the public and will start at 14:00 at the Department of Political Science, Room 4.2.26. Øster Farimagsgade 5, 1353 Copenhagen K.

Publications


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