

International Conference

Measuring Democracy:

What are we measuring and how does Central and Eastern Europe fit in?

Date and time: 22. 9. 2017, 8:30—17:00

Location: Academic Conference Centre – Czech Academy of Sciences, Husova 4a, Prague 1

Organised in the frame of the long-term interdisciplinary Research Program of the Czech Academy of Sciences "Strategy AV21", project *Global Conflicts and Local Interactions: Cultural and Social Challenges*.

Program

8.45—9.00 Intro

9.00—9.45 **Keynote: Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Merkel**, Social Science Center Berlin
"Shifting axes of democratic legitimacy"

9.45—10.15 Discussion

10.30—12.15

Block I. Varieties of Democracy & varieties of approaches to democratic governance

Moderator: Zdenka Mansfeldová, IS CAS

10.30—11.00 **Prof. Dr. Philippe Schmitter**, European University Institute
"Some Critical Thoughts on Researching the Quality of Democracy"

11.00—11.30 **Prof. Dr. Brigitte Geissel**, Goethe University Frankfurt
"Measuring Quality of Democracy: Bringing People back in"

11.30—12.00 Discussion

13.00—15.00

Block II. Varieties of democracy in CEE – consolidated, defective, illiberal and beyond

Moderator: Petra Guasti, Goethe University Frankfurt & IS CAS

Discussant: Jonathan Rinne, Goethe University Frankfurt

Prof. Dr. Radek Markowski, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Warsaw
"Supply Side Revolution and the Will of the People"

Prof. Dr. Darina Malová and Dr. Branislav Dolný, Comenius University Bratislava
"Missing Ingredients in the Study of CEE Democracies"

Dr. Petra Guasti and Dr. Zdenka Mansfeldová, IS CAS
"Processes of Democratic Consolidation in the Czech Republic and Slovakia"

Dr. Martin Brusis, Babes Bolyai University, Cluj
"Quality of Democracy in CEE"

Dr. Pavol Baboš, Comenius University Bratislava
"Globalization against Liberal Democracy? Distorting Effects in Central Europe"

14.30—15.00 Discussion

15.15—17.00

Round Table: The Future of Democracy in the CEE and Beyond

Moderator: Prof. Vladimíra Dvořáková, University of Economics, Prague

Participants: Prof. Merkel, Prof. Geissel, Dr. Brusis, Prof. Markowski, Prof. Schmitter