
Although democracy lies at the heart of European political tradition and culture, the European project has suffered, all along its history, of the so called *democratic deficit*. The Lisbon Treaty marked a new step towards a full and satisfactory respect of the democratic principle in the EU. However, shortly after its entry into force, the financial crisis forced the EU and its Member States to issue several unprecedented measures, which are generating increasing political tension: the new measures, despite their far-reaching impact on the sovereignty of the involved Member States, do not or could not take sufficiently account of the democratic principle. This originated a growing trend of litigation before both Member States Constitutional courts and European courts, where the respect of the democratic principle is being put into question under newly emerged angles (including transparency). It is beyond any doubt that a new institutional equilibrium in the European economic governance – including democratic processes and structures – still needs to be found. Indeed the last phase of the Greek turmoil reached its highest peak and threw the EU in an unprecedented political and confidence turmoil. A new challenge is now on the table, which demands to dramatically enhance the democratic dimension of the EU and of the common decisions taken by its Member States.

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9.00 a.m.

Registration of the participants

MORNING SESSION

9.15 a.m.

Welcoming addresses and presentation of the conference

G. NOVELLI, Rector, Università di Roma Tor Vergata

G. SABATINI, Secretary General, Associazione Bancaria Italiana

D. MORANA, Director, Dipartimento di Diritto Pubblico, Università di Roma Tor Vergata

L. DANIELE, EU Law Chair, Università di Roma Tor Vergata

9.30 a.m.

First Panel — The New Institutional Balance and Democracy

Chair: E. CANNIZZARO (Rome)

Speakers

M. STARITA (Palermo)

Leaving the Old-fashioned Habit of Democracy behind? An Inquiry into EU Institutional Transformation in the Course of the Crisis

F. MARTUCCI (Paris)

The Democratic Foundations of the EMU: The European Parliament and the National Parliaments between Cooperation and Rivalry

R. SMITS (Amsterdam)

From Subordinated to Prominent: The Role of the European Commission in EMU. Reflections on Euro Area Democracy

F. ALLEMAND (Luxembourg)

More or less Intergovernmental Cooperation within the new EMU?

10.45 a.m.

Coffee break

11.00 a.m.

Short presentations

S. DE LA PARRA (Luxembourg)

C. FASONE – D. FROMAGE (Rome - Utrecht)

L. LIONELLO (Milan)

F. MARTINES (Pisa)

12.00 a.m.

Second Panel – EMU and the Banking System

Chair: J.-V. LOUIS (Bruxelles)

Speakers

A. VITERBO (Turin)

Financial Challenges to Solidarity: Building up the European Banking Union in Times of Crisis

G. NAPOLETANO (Rome)

Federal and National Perspectives in Monetary Policy and within the Banking Union

Short presentations

R. CISOTTA (Rome)

M. ORTINO (Verona)

N. RUCCIA (Bari)

1.15 p.m.

Buffet lunch

POSTMERIDIAN SESSION

2.30 p.m.

Third Panel – The European Central Bank and Democracy

Chair: M. P. CHITI (Firenze)

Speakers

C. ZILIOLI (Frankfurt a M.)

The ECB, Independence and Judicial Scrutiny

S. CAFARO (Lecce)

How the ECB reinterpreted its Mandate during the Euro-crisis (and why it was Right in doing so)

F. BASSAN (Rome)

Legality Parameters of ECB Non-conventional Measures

Short presentations

G. PERONI (Milan)

4.00 p.m.

Coffee break

4.15 p.m.

Fourth Panel – EMU as a Case for Dialogue or Confrontation between National and European Courts

Chair: L. S. ROSSI (Bologna)

Speakers

M. RUFFERT (Jena)

The EMU in the ECJ-A New Dimension of Dispute Resolution in the Process of European Integration

R. BARATTA (Macerata)

The Role of the ECJ beyond EU Law

O. POLLICINO (Milan)

Taking the Economics away from the Judges? The Post Crisis Judicial Involvement from a Comparative and European Perspectives

Short presentations

L.F. PACE (Campobasso)

N. XANTHOULIS – T. TRIDIMAS (London)

5.30 p.m.

G. L. TOSATO (Rome) **Concluding Remarks**

6.00 p.m.

Closing of the Conference