

**Master in Parliamentary
Parliamentary procedures
and legislative drafting
(EUPADRA)**

Course Syllabus
Academic Year 2016/17

Course Title: History of Parliaments and Representative Democracy

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Course description

The course aims at explaining how representative democracy and institutions have evolved in the last 150 years, and at analyzing how they are being affected by the challenges of the twenty-first century. The course will be opened and closed by seminars jointly led by the two instructors. Three classes, led by Giovanni Orsina, will consider the historical evolution of European representative institutions from the late nineteenth century to the 1980s; three classes, led by Leonardo Morlino, will focus on the transformations of the last decade.

Assessment

Students will be requested to write two short papers, one with a historical approach and another one with a polsci one (between 4,000 and 4,500 word each), on a topics to be chosen in agreement with the instructors. Participation to class discussion will be considered in the final grade (20%).

Course Structure

	Topic and suggested bibliography
Class 1 (Morlino & Orsina)	Introduction: what are the issues at stake in the changes of representative institutions and actors <u>Readings:</u> H. Pitkin, <i>The Concept of Representation</i> , Berkeley, University of California Press, 1967, 209-40. Ch. De Gaulle, Bayeux speech, 1946: http://www.charles-de-gaulle.com/l-homme-du-verbe/speeches/16-june-1946-bayeux-speech.html
Class 2 (Orsina)	Of representation and decision: parliaments and governments in Europe, 1867-1930 <u>Readings:</u>

	<p>T.A. Jenkins, <i>Parliament, Party and Politics in Victorian Britain</i>, Manchester 1996</p> <p>M. Weber, <i>Parliament and Government in Germany under a New Political Order</i>, in M. Weber, <i>Political Writings</i>, Cambridge 1994</p> <p>D. Diner, <i>Cataclysms. A History of the Twentieth Century from Europe's Edge</i>, Madison Wisconsin 2007, chapter 3: "Regimes: Democracy and Dictatorship"</p>
Class 3 (Orsina)	<p>Back in the saddle again: parliamentary democracies in Europe, 1945-1969</p> <p><u>Readings:</u></p> <p>K.D. Bracher, "Problems of Parliamentary Democracy in Europe", <i>Daedalus</i>, 1964, pp. 179-198</p> <p>C.S. Maier, "The Two Postwar Eras and the Conditions for stability in Twentieth-Century Western Europe", <i>The American Historical Review</i>, 1981, 327-52</p> <p>M. Conway, "Democracy in Postwar Western Europe; The Triumph of a Political Model", <i>European History Quarterly</i>, 2002, 32-59</p> <p>P. Pombeni, "Anti-Liberalism and the Liberal Legacy in Postwar European Constitutionalism. Considerations on Some Case Studies", <i>European Journal of Political Theory</i>, 2008, 31-44</p> <p>Jan-Werner Müller, <i>Contesting democracy. Political Ideas in Twentieth-Century Europe</i>, Yale 2011, chapter 4, "Reconstruction Thought"</p> <p>N. Atkin, <i>The Fifth French Republic</i>, Basingstoke 2005, chapter 1, "La Coagulation: The Fourth Republic, 1946-58"</p>
Class 4 (Orsina)	<p>Representative institutions and the changing boundaries of the political, 1960s-1980s</p> <p><u>Readings:</u></p> <p>B. Manin, <i>The Principles of Representative Government</i>, Cambridge 1997, chapter 6, "Metamorphoses of representative government"</p> <p>Jan-Werner Müller, <i>Contesting democracy. Political Ideas in Twentieth-Century Europe</i>, Yale 2011, chapter 6, "Antipolitics, and the Sense of an Ending"</p> <p>C. Crouch, <i>Post-Democracy</i>, Cambridge 2004</p> <p>R. Vinen, <i>Thatcher's Britain. The Politics and Social Upheaval of the Thatcher Era</i>, London 2009, "Conclusions"</p> <p>G. Orsina, <i>Berlusconism and Italy. A Historical Interpretation</i>, Basingstoke 2014, chapter 3, "Berlusconism"</p>
Class 5 (Morlino)	<p>Representative democracy and the new intertwining between electoral accountability and inter-institutional accountability</p> <p><u>Readings:</u></p> <p>R. Dalton, D. Farrell, I. McAllister (2011), <i>Political Parties and Democratic Linkage: How Parties Organize Democracy</i>. Oxford, Oxford University Press, 161-212.</p> <p>L.Morlino and W. Sadurski (2010), <i>Conclusions</i>, in Morlino and W. Sadurski (eds.), <i>Democratization and the European Union</i></p>

	<p><i>Comparing Central and Eastern European Post-Communist Countries</i>, London, Routledge, 216-241.</p> <p>P. Mair (2002), "Populist democracy vs. party democracy", in Y. Meny and Y. Surel (eds.) <i>Democracies and the Populist Challenge</i>, Houndmills, Palgrave, 92–97.</p> <p>D. Albertazzi and D. McDonnell (2007) (eds.) <i>Twenty-First Century Populism: The Specter of West European Democracy</i>, Houndmills, Palgrave.</p>
Class 6 (Morlino)	<p>The transformations of intermediary institutions: organization, alternatives, relative salience;</p> <p><u>Readings:</u></p> <p>R. Dalton, D. Farrell, I. McAllister (2011), <i>Political Parties and Democratic Linkage: How Parties Organize Democracy</i>. Oxford, Oxford University Press, 212-234.</p> <p>L. Bardi, S. Bartolini and A.H. Trechsel (2014) "Responsive and Responsible? The Role of Parties in Twenty-First Century Politics ", <i>West European Politics</i>, 37(2): 235-252.</p> <p>R. Rose (2014), "Responsible Party Government in a World of Interdependence", <i>West European Politics</i>, 37(2):253-269.</p> <p>D.M. Farrell (2014) "Stripped Down' or Reconfigured Democracy", <i>West European Politics</i>, 37(2): 439-455.</p>
Class 7 (Morlino)	<p>How and why the 2008-14 economic crisis has been reshaping representative institutions and mechanisms</p> <p><u>Readings:</u></p> <p>N. Bermeo and L. Bartels (2014), "Mass Politics in Tough Times", in N. Bermeo and L. M Bartels (eds.) <i>Mass Politics in Tough Times: Opinions, Votes and Protest in the Great Recession</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1-39.</p> <p>H. Kriesi (2014), "The Political Consequences of Economic Crisis in Europe: Electoral Punishment and Popular Protest", in N. Bermeo and L. M Bartels (eds.) <i>Mass Politics in Tough Times: Opinions, Votes and Protest in the Great Recession</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 297-333.</p> <p>L. Morlino and D. Piana (2014) "Economic Crisis in a Stalelated Democracy: The Italian Case", <i>American Behavioural Scientist</i> 58(12): 1657-1682.</p> <p>L. Morlino and M. Quaranta (2016), "What is the impact of economic crisis on democracy? Evidence from Europe", <i>International Political Science Review</i>, 37 (3).</p>
Class 8 (Morlino & Orsina)	<p>The crisis of democratic representation in coping with contemporary challenges (i.e. economic crisis, immigration, and terrorism)</p> <p><u>Readings:</u></p> <p>No readings</p>