# ANNUAL SUMMARY 2021

# THE EUROPAEUM

#### **Europaeum Mission**

Our mission today is to give the most talented, most energetic and most socially committed students within the Europaeum network the opportunities to develop professional qualities to shape the future of Europe for the better.

When you look out of the window, what do you see – buildings, cars, people? What you do not see is the glass! Think about how it was to live before the invention of glass. And what is the "glass" for Europe? It is the Rule of Law and the set of institutions, ideas and values handed down to us from the Age of Enlightenment and the Scientific Revolution. This is the conceptual framework that has shaped the modern western world. These are the ideas that replaced superstition with science, dogma with reason, fate with free will, and authority on high with the moral choice of the individual. All those aspects of living which have enormous value, but which go largely unnoticed.

These ideas have spread across the globe, but their origins are European. Aristotle was Greek, Spinoza – Dutch/Portuguese, Rousseau – a French-speaking Genevois, Descartes, Montesquieu and Voltaire – French, Kant – German, Locke – English, Hume and Smith – Scottish. Today, these ideas are threatened, inter alia, by populism, prejudices, fake news and conspiracy theories. And, on the wider stage, Europe faces challenges from pandemics, growing inequalities, and climate change.

The member universities of the Europaeum have unanimously agreed that, far from retrenching, this is the time to build on the foundations we have established, to reassert our values and enhance our inter-connectedness. This is why the Europaeum exists. We need more, not less, emphasis on universities engaging with the wider society; more, not less, international collaboration; and more not less, drawing together of the disciplines.

In recent years, the Europaeum has structured its activities around three themes:

**European History & Culture** 

**European Policy-Making** 

#### European Liberal Democracy & Citizen Engagement

These three themes reflect our focus on students whose disciplines lie primarily (if not exclusively) in the Humanities and the Social Sciences. Some events sit squarely within a single theme (such as the Classics Colloquium in the first or the Brussels Policy Seminar in the second), while others straddle two or three. They form the foundation of the Europaeum's philosophy of facilitating and encouraging critical and innovative thinking about Europe and European identity. Across all three themes, we study societal problems and how they might be tackled. Almost inevitably, this requires a multidisciplinary approach, which is what many Europaeum students find so exciting and so different from much of their traditional academic study. Linguists have to talk to lawyers, economists to historians, sociologists to philosophers and all of these to practitioners and policy-makers to help us understand more about Europe's culture, politics and people and what might be done to make Europe a better place.

#### Overview 2021

In 2021, the second cohort of the Europaeum Scholars Programme completed their journey, almost entirely online due to COVID-19. The four groups produced their policy recommendations which they presented as part of an international conference in Toledo, Spain. All core activities were held online except the Classics Colloquium in Madrid in November. The University of Tartu joined the network and that completes the expansion to 18 members.

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# **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The Board of Trustees has the overall responsibility for the organisation. It is chaired by Lord Patten of Barnes (Chancellor of Oxford University) and may include up to 15 members.



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Governor of Hong Kong, 1992-1997
Chairman of the Independent Commission on Policing for Northern Ireland, 1998-1999
European Commissioner for External Relations, 1999-2004
Chancellor, University of Oxford, 2003 to present



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Minister of Foreign Affairs, Portugal, 1992-1995 Leader of the Opposition, Portugal, 1999-2002 President of Social Democratic Party, 1999-2004 Prime Minister of Portugal, 2002-2004 President of the European Commission, 2004-2014



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Vice-Chancellor of Austria, 1991-1995

Special Representative of the Austrian Government on EU Enlargement, 2000-2001

Special Coordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, 2002-2008

Rector of the University of Applied Sciences, Salzburg, 2004-2011



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Financial Consultant, Merrill Lynch Bank, Austria, 1996-1999 Co-founder and Partner, FBLA Consulting, Geneva, Head of Family Business Community, World Economic Forum, Executive in Residence, Oxford Saïd Business School, 2020 to present



### **Dr Andrew Graham**

Founder of the Oxford Internet Institute, 2001 Master of Balliol College, Oxford, 2001-2011 Warden of Rhodes House, 2012/13 Executive Chair of the Europaeum, 2010 – 2020); Founder of the Europaeum Scholars Programme, 2017



#### Margaret Jay, Baroness Jay of Paddington

A founder director of the National Aids Trust, 1987 Life peer, British House of Lords, 1992 to present Minister of State for Health and Deputy Leader of the House of Lords, 1997-1998 Minister for Women, Leader of the House of Lords, and Lord Privy Seal, 1998-2001 Chair of the UK Constitution Committee, 2010-2014



#### **Pascal Lamy**

Member of the European Commission, 1979-2004 European Commissioner for Trade, 1999-2004 Director-General of the World Trade Organization, 2005-2013 President Emeritus of the Jacques Delors Institute



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Lecturer then Reader in Medieval English Language and Literature , University of Oxford, 1984-2013
Professor of Older Scots Literature, Oxford, 2013-2016
Junior Proctor, Oxford, 2006-2007
Pro-Vice-Chancellor, 2009-2011 Personnel & Equality; 2011-2016 Education
Principal and Vice-Chancellor, University of St Andrews, 2016 to present



#### Laura Nordström

Special Adviser, European Parliament, 2009-2011 and 2014-2018 Special Adviser, Foreign Ministry/Prime Minister's Office, Finland, 2011-2014 PhD Researcher, University of Helsinki (Political Science), 2017 to present Europaeum Scholar, 2018-2019



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Dean of Faculty, ESSEC Business School, to 2016 Dean, School of Management and Innovation, Sciences Po, 2016-2020 Director, Graduate Institute Geneva, 2020 to present



#### H.E. Karel Schwarzenberg

Senator from Prague 6, Czech Republic, 2004-2010
Founder and Leader of the TOP 09 party, 2009-2015
Member of the Chamber of Deputies, from 2010
First Deputy Prime Minister, Czech Republic, 2010-2013
Minister of Foreign Affairs, Czech Republic, 2007-2009, and 2010-2013



#### Professor Carel J.J.M. Stolker

Director of E.M. Meijers Institute of Legal Studies, Leiden University, 1996-2001 Professor of Private Law and Dean of Leiden University Law School, 2005-2011 Rector Magnificus and President of Leiden University, 2013-2021



#### **Professor Tomáš Zima**

Head of Institute of Medical Biochemistry and Laboratory Diagnostics, Charles University, Prague, 1999 to present Professor, medical chemistry & biochemistry, Charles University, 2001 to present Dean of First Faculty of Medicine, Charles University, Prague, 2005-2012 Rector of Charles University, Prague, 2014 to present



































# JOINT DEGREES

#### **MA EUROPEAN HISTORY & CIVILISATION**

The Europaeum Masters Programme in European History and Civilisation offers graduate students a special opportunity to deepen their knowledge of European history and institutions, their philosophical and historical backgrounds and underpinnings, and their social and economic contexts, through the lens of three different university worlds. This knowledge plays an increasingly crucial role in practical decision-making and strategic planning, where Europe-wide and global contact and negotiation is required. Students spend a term each in Leiden, Paris and Oxford.

In 2021, the physical presence of students in Oxford was made difficult by the COVID-19 pandemic. Some completed their degrees in Leiden, some opted for an online Oxford term and some postponed their studies to the autumn.

Wouter Baas Weltösterreich:

The Habsburg Legacy and Austrian Internationalism, 1916-1927

**Thijs de Dood** A Transformation in the Shadows:

The American Intelligence Community and the Indonesian War of

Independence (1945-1949)

Zaza Jung Controlling the 'R'dical alien':'American Debates on the Prevention of

Immigrant Radicalism during the First Red Scare (1917-1921)

Nuri Kurnaz 'P'n-Islamism: An Imaginary Threat?

Knowledge formation about pan-Islam in transnational Orientalist

networks, 1876-1909

Caecilia Moerdijk The establishment process of the Central Planning Bureau: A case study

on economic planning in a capitalist and liberal democratic context

Marti Monso Solans The Long Shadow of the Minister-Favourite: Conceptualizations of

Power and State in Early Modern Europe

Tomasz O'Donoghue 'Baldwin of Egypt's Lake':

The Egyptian Overland Route and European Colonial Expansion, 1775-

1798

# **MA EUROPEAN POLITICS & SOCIETY**

This joint master's degree is offered by Charles University (Prague) as leading partner, plus Jagiellonian University (Krakow), Leiden University and Pompeu Fabra University (Barcelona), with the help of Erasmus Mundus funding. It is a two-year programme that starts in Prague and subsequently offers different options. Students will receive a Europaeum Certificate and some will be invited to attend the Spring School in Oxford in their second year.

#### More information

The first cohort of students started on this two-year course in 2017/18.

#### **MA VACLAV HAVEL**

This is a specialisation offered to master's students at Charles University (Prague), Leiden University and Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne, who can spend one semester at one partner university.

# The growing network of Václav Havel Scholars Report by Anna Lukešová

In Prague, the Charles University's Alumni of the Václav Havel Programme gathered to remember five years since the first university exchange of the Václav Havel Scholars. During this time, Charles University in Prague sent eighteen students for an exchange at Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne or Leiden University, with two other students completing their second year of the programme at present. This numerous group thus created a great team of friends who meet actively even after years.

The Václav Havel Programme gained its name after the prominent personality of the Czech ex-president Václav Havel. The programme was launched in the academic year of 2012/2013 by a trio of the Europaeum member universities: Leiden University, Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne and Charles University in Prague. It is designed as a complementary two-year programme for Masters' students of the three partner universities who focus their studies on European issues. The Václav Havel Scholars enjoy not only a one-semester exchange at one of the partner universities of the programme, but they also participate in the Oxford Spring School where they can meet with students from other member universities of the Europaeum association or students involved in other Europaeum programmes, such as *History & Civilisation* or *European Politics & Society*.



Havel graduates receive their certificates (2018)

# GRADUATE WORKSHOPS SPRING SCHOOL, SUMMER SCHOOL SEMINARS & DEBATES

# 28-29 January 2021 online



### **Policy Seminar**

**Policy-Making Inside Europe** 

The 2021 online Policy Seminar, organized in collaboration with the European Parliamentary Research Service (DG EPRS) was a joint effort to link academic and policy institutions, contributing to a better understanding of the process of preparation and implementation of EU policies. The programme included talks and discussions with those at the sharp end of policy and decision-making in Brussels. This on-line edition focused on how key areas of European policy are made covering core themes such as: the future of the Europe; EU crisis management; Brexit and post-COVID economic recovery; EU and global order; protecting fundamental rights and supporting democracy around the globe. There were more detailed discussions in working groups with the accent on pluralism of opinions, recommendations and understanding of key policy challenges.

# 28 January

#### **Welcome and Introduction**

Anthony Teasdale (Director General, European Parliamentary Research Service / EPRS) Dr Marcin Walecki (Director, The Europaeum)

#### **Opening Debate: The Future of Europe**

Chair: Dr Hartmut Mayer (Director, European Studies Centre, University of Oxford; Executive Chair, The Europaeum)

Daniel Freund, MEP (Member of the EP Committees on Constitutional Affairs and on Budgetary Control)
Maria Jose Martinez Iglesias (Director of Legislative Affairs, European Parliament)

Richard Corbett (Deputy Head of Secretary General's Cabinet for constitutional and institutional affairs, and former MEP)

### **Group Discussions**

Group 1, moderated by Dr Silvia Kotanidis (Citizens' Policies Unit, European Parliamentary Research Service / EPRS)

Group 2, moderated by Dr Hartmut Mayer (Director, European Studies Centre, University of Oxford)

#### Session A: COVID-19 and EU economic recovery

Chair: Dr Andrew Graham (Trustee, The Europaeum)
Mikołaj Dowgielewicz (Director General, European Investment Bank)
Ben Hall (European Editor, Financial Times)

# **Group Discussions**

Group 1, moderated by Marcin Szczepański (Economic Policies Unit, European Parliamentary Research Service / EPRS) and Marianna Pari (Budgetary Policies Unit, European Parliament Research Service / EPRS) Group 2, moderated by Mikołaj Dowgielewicz (Director General, European Investment Bank)

#### **Keynote Speaker**

Dr Roberta Metsola, MEP (First Vice-President of the European Parliament)

'The Rule of Law in the European Union'

#### 29 January

#### Session B: EU-US and Transatlantic Relations after Presidential Elections

Chair: Etienne Bassot (Director, Members' Research Service, European Parliamentary Research Service / EPRS) Esteban González Pons, MEP (Vice-Chair, Group of the European People's Party (EPP) European Parliament) Kati Piri, MEP (Vice-Chair, Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (S&D), European Parliament)

Ruben Diaz-Plaja (Senior Policy Adviser, Policy Planning Unit, Office of the Secretary General, NATO) Tania Latici (Policy Analyst, External Policies Unit, European Parliamentary Research Service / EPRS)

#### **Group Discussions**

Group 1, moderated by Tania Latici (Policy Analyst, External Policies Unit, European Parliamentary Research Service / EPRS)

Group 2, moderated by Ruben Diaz-Plaja (Senior Policy Adviser, Policy Planning Unit, Office of the Secretary General, NATO)

#### Closing Debate: Protecting fundamental rights in the EU and supporting democracy around the globe

Chair: Dr Marcin Walecki (Director, The Europaeum)

Isabel Santos MEP, S&D Group (Rapporteur on the European Parliament's own initiative report on human rights and democracy in the world and the EU's policy on the matter - Annual report 2019)

Jerzy Pomianowski (Executive Director, European Endowment for Democracy)

Pietro Ducci (Directorate-General for External Policies of the Union, European Parliament)

#### **Group Discussions**

Group 1, moderated by Dr Joanna Apap (Strategy and Innovation Unit, European Parliamentary Research Service / EPRS)

Group 2, moderated by Dr Marcin Walecki (Director, The Europaeum)

#### **Keynote Speaker**

**Heidi Anneli Hautala, MEP** (Vice-President of the European Parliament responsible for the Sakharov Network and for Human Rights and Democracy)'The role of the European Parliament in promoting human rights and democracy in the world'

#### **Closing Remarks**

Dr Joanna Apap (Strategy and Innovation Unit, European Parliamentary Research Service / EPRS)
Dr Hartmut Mayer (Director, European Studies Centre, University of Oxford; Executive Chair, The Europaeum)

#### **Europaeum participants**

Barcelona: Dao Nguyen

Bologna: Gianmarco Carra, Carlotta Mingardi, Gianmarco Riva, Adriano Rodari

Copenhagen: Caroline Bertram, Ana Carolina Campera

FU Berlin: Shanti Wade Geneva: Somabha Mohanty

Helsinki: Ada Segerstam, Iurii Agafiniv

Leiden: Lukas Spielberger, Janusch Ziegler, Nicolas Schuierer Leuven: Sabrina Islamaj, Fernando Martin Espejo, Jens Meijen

Lisbon: Ines Domingos

Luxembourg: Pier Mario Lupinu

Munich: David Presslein

Oxford: John Helferich, Claas Mertens, Hayley Pring Paris: Lorène de Gouvion, Ole Spillner, Baddredine Soufi

Prague: Zuzana Krulichová

MA EPS: Đorđe Dimitrov, Lennart Paetz, Ruben Sansom, Panagiotis Chatzis, Tatev Derzyan, Karolina Horanjo,

Kristin Aldag, Gonzalo Fernández Jaraiz, Ayauzhan Kamatayeva

St Andrews: Emily Fiedler, Philipp Schoenegger

Tartu: Mari-Liis Sulg, Maili Vilson

#### Student Feedback:

Overall assessment	93% excellent or very good
Talks & lectures	90% excellent or very good
Discussion groups	76% excellent or very good
Organisation	87% excellent or very good
Programme shape/concept/theme	86% excellent or very good
Communication, timekeeping, session length/breaks	84% excellent or very good
Did their understanding of the topic change/improve?	90% yes
Would attend another Europaeum event	100% yes
Would recommend Europaeum to others	95% yes

<sup>&</sup>quot;The invited lecturers were amazing and able to engage the audience with really interesting insights both from an academic and practical perspective"

# 11-12 February 2021 online



# **Classics Colloquium**

Slavery: Antiquity and Modernity in Dialogue

This online Europaeum Classics Colloquium – the 18th in our series – explored various aspects of ancient slavery. During the colloquium, core aspects of slavery were looked at - matters that are still at the very heart of human interest.

The objective of the Colloquium was to examine ancient slavery in all its manifestations from different perspectives and with a wide range of research methods. The colloquium brought together leading international researchers and scholars including Professor Nino Luraghi (Oxford University), Prof Edith Hall (King's College, London) and Dr Myles Lavan (University of St Andrews). Topics included how often were slaves freed and why, and the importance of manumission to our understanding of slavery. To have a full understanding of the political, social and economic dimensions of ancient slavery, the colloquium also looked in depth at slavery as a form of trade.

#### Thursday, 11 February

#### **Keynote Speaker:**

Professor Edith Hall (King's College London)

'Intermittently Visible: The Slaves in the Baggage Train of the Ten Thousand in Xenophon's Anabasis'

#### Session 1: Free vs enslaved - citizens vs non-citizens

Maja Rechendorff Møller (University of Copenhagen)

'Really Useful? - Χρηστός as a method for identifying slaves in epigraphic sources'

Matthew Hewitt (University of Oxford)

'The Place of Manumission in the Greek World: The Use of the Theatre at Athens and Bouthrotos'

Chair: Professor Krzysztof Bielawski (Jagiellonian University)

#### Session 2: Slaves in public life: Theatre in Greece and the sacred slave

Antonio Mura (University of Bologna)

'Slavery Images in Aristophanes' Poetics'

Javier Funes (University Pompeu Fabra)

'Hierodouloi in Hellenistic Egypt'

Chair: Professor Christian Amitzbøll Thomsen (University of Copenhagen)

#### **Afternoon Lectures and discussion**

Professor Miriam Valdés Guía (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)

'Atimoi and agogimoi. Reflections on debt slavery in Archaic Athens'

Dr John Latham-Sprinkle (Ghent University)

'Slavery in the North Caucasus and its place in the wider political economy of the region in the 8th-15th centuries'

#### Friday, 12 February

#### Morning Lectures and discussion

Dr Laurens E. Tacoma (Leiden University)

'Freedom in slavery. Status and agency in Greek stone epigrams from the Hellenistic and Roman period' Prof. Christian A. Thomsen (University of Copenhagen)

'Freed-men and -women beyond the family'

# Session 3 Transformations: the origins of slavery and the continuation in the Americas

Marietta Kosma (University of Oxford)

'Uncanny compulsions; on the exposition of racial violence through Hopkins' and Wells' work' Simon Lobach (Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies, Geneva)

'The African natural slave: History of an idea' Chair: Dr Tracey Sowerby (Oxford University)

#### **Closing debate**

Slavery: Antiquity and Modernity in Dialogue

Professor Nino Luraghi (Wykeham Professor of Ancient (Greek) History, Oxford University)

Dr Myles Patrick Lavan (University of St Andrews) Professor Edith Hall (King's College London)

#### Europaeum participants not giving a paper:

Jagiellonian: Anna Borowy

Leiden: Sara Cabras, Annemijn Geelen, Cornelia Hefting

Madrid: Aida Fernández Prieto Oxford: Kar Lok Pang, Joel Pollatschek St Andrews: Bart Danon, Carolyn La Rocco

#### **Student Feedback:**

Overall assessment	100% excellent or very good
Talks & lectures	80% excellent or very good
Organisation	85% excellent or very good
Programme shape/concept/theme	82% excellent or very good
Communication, timekeeping, session length/breaks	83% excellent or very good
Did their understanding of the topic	75% yes
change/improve?	
Would attend another Europaeum event	100% yes
Would recommend Europaeum to others	100% yes

"The final discussion was great, bringing everything together, drawing some final conclusions and actually bringing antiquity and modernity in dialogue with each other"

# **Trinity Term 2021** online



# **Weekly Seminar**

for the graduates on the MA in European History & Civilisation, and members of the University of Oxford

**European Connections** 

4 May	Dr Stephanie Cavanaugh, What can Conversion Teach us about Belonging in Early Modern		
	Spain?		
11 May	Dr Cathleen Sarti, Concepts of the Baltic Region: On Geography, Territories, Networks, and		
	Trans-Territorial Connections in Historical Research		
18 May	Professor Robert Service, The First World War and the Russian Revolution		
1 June	Professor Tom Buchanan, Human Rights Activism in Post-War Britain		
8 June	Professor David Hopkin, The Soldier's Tale: Military Storytelling in Revolutionary Europe		
15 June	Professor Guido Bonsaver, The "Americanisation" of European Culture: General Questions and		
	the Specifics of Pre-WWII Italy		
	Suggested reading: R. Kuisel, 'The End of Americanisation? Or Reinventing a Research Field for		

Suggested reading: R. Kuisel, 'The End of Americanisation? Or Reinventing a Research Field for Historians of Europe', Journal of Modern History, 92/3 (2020), 602-34

# **1-3 October 2021** Toledo, Spain



### Conference

#### Crisis as an opportunity for Europe?

Over the past three decades, Europe has experienced a series of disruptions: the collapse of communist regimes, the Balkan war, the global financial crisis, the UK's departure from the EU, the refugee crisis, conflict in Ukraine, and the recent COVID-19 pandemic to name but a few. Yet it has been over the past 20 months that Europe has experienced one of its most significant political, economic, social and cultural crises. Although the "way of life BC (Before COVID)" might never return, this crisis could be seen as a critical juncture for new policy, political and institutional developments – regionally and globally – as well as greater awakening of the need for social justice. History illustrates that crises and major threats can be useful for directing individuals and institutions towards new solutions. Out of crises can emerge new and incredible opportunities, particularly if traditional approaches and paradigms are questioned and challenged. How have international organizations, national, regional, and local level authorities, business and universities responded to acute challenges, and have these actually made a difference? How have these institutions responded to our citizens' needs?

#### 30 September

Europaeum Scholars (cohort 2) presented their Projects to a Panel of Judges: **Ben Hall** (Financial Times) **Maria Joao Rodrigues** (FEPS) and **Anthony Teasdale** (DG EPRS)

#### 1 October

#### Keynote debate: Crises as Opportunities for Resilience and Renewal

Lord Chris Patten (Chancellor of the University of Oxford)

José Manuel Barroso (former President of the European Commission)

Chair: Sally Mapstone (Principal and Vice-Chancellor of the University of St Andrews)

# Panel 1: The EU in Global Affairs: The Transatlantic Relationship with an Emphasis on the Challenges of China and Russia

Mira Milosevich-Juaristi (Elcano Royal Institute)

Jose María Beneyto (San Pablo CEU University)

Hartmut Mayer (Oxford University)

Chair: Wim van den Doel (Leiden University)

#### Panel 2: Economic Recovery: Wealth and Job Creation post-COVID

Armando Jiménez San Vicente (Ortega y Gasset Institute)

Andrew Graham (Europaeum)

Sarah Fowler (Oxford Analytica)

Chair: Ben Hall (European Editor, Financial Times)

#### Panel 3: Climate Change - Unresolved Problems and New Dimensions

Jürgen Großmann (Georgsmarienhütte Holding GmbH)

Marcus Lippold (Advisor to the European Commission)

Angeles Santamaria (CEO Iberdrola Espana)

Peeter Vihma (Europaeum Scholar)

Chair: James Candon (Managing Director of United Europe)

#### Keynote debate: Global Crisis and Opportunity for the EU

Julio Crespo-MacLennan (Ortega y Gasset Institute)

Maria Joao Rodrigues (President of Foundation for European Progressive Studies)

Pascal Lamy (former Director-General of the World Trade Organization)

Chair: Marcin Walecki (Director, Europaeum)

#### **Conference Reception**

Guest Speaker: Charles Powell (Director of Elcano Royal Institute) at El Convento de San Juan de la Penitencia

#### 2 October

#### Panel 4: Crisis and Opportunity for Gen Z

Biliana Sirakova (EU Youth Coordinator)

Ariadna Petri and Tuukka Brunila (Europaeum Scholars)

Chair: Tracey Sowerby (Europaeum)

#### Panel 5: Al and digital transformation as Responses to Crisis

Jose Maria Lassalle (former Spanish Minister for Digital Technologies)

Robert Krimmer (University of Tartu)

Alice Trinkle, George Nikolou and Lukas Spielberger (Europaeum Scholars)

Chair: Roxana Radu (The Graduate Institute Geneva)

#### **Debate: The Impact of COVID-19 on Democracy**

Katarzyna Gardabkhadze (OSCE/ODIHR)

Kevin Casas-Zamora (Secretary General International IDEA)

Chair: Marcin Walecki (Director, Europaeum)

#### Panel 6: EU Institutional Reform

Richard Corbett (Deputy Head of Secretary General's Cabinet for Constitutional and Institutional Affairs, and former MEP)

Günther H. Oettinger (President of United Europe)

Eduardo Garcia Cancela, Lewin Schmitt and Riccardo Nanni (Europaeum Scholars)

Chair: Hartmut Mayer (Oxford University)

#### 3 October

#### Panel 7: The Migrants and Refugee Crisis: Unresolved Problems and New Dimensions

Iván Martín (Universitat Pompeu Fabra) Natasha Saunders (University of St Andrews) Chair: Sonia Lucarelli (University of Bologna)

#### Closing Panel: Leadership in a time of Crisis

Roberta Metsola MEP (First Vice-President of the European Parliament) Andrew Serazin (President of the Templeton World Charity Foundation) Manuel Muñiz (former Secretary of State for Global Spain) Laura Nordström (Europaeum)

Chair: Andrienne d'Arenberg (Europaeum)

**18-20 October 2021** Estoril, Portugal



### **Estoril Political Forum - Interational Graduate Debate**

On the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Atlantic Charter: Structuring a New Alliance of Democracies

The Institute for Political Studies of the Catholic University of Portugal celebrated the 29th anniversary of its International Annual Meeting in Political Studies – the Estoril Political Forum - in October. The Estoril Political Forum 2021 brought together leading policy-makers and academics from the US, UK, Portugal and the rest of Europe. Keynote speakers included Marc Plattner (Co-Editor, Journal of Democracy, Washington, D.C.), Carl Gershman (President, The National Endowment for Democracy, Washington D.C.), and Professor José Manuel Barroso (Former President of the European Commission; Director, IEP-UCP Centre for European Studies, Lisbon).

On 20 October, **the Europaeum hosted the "Europaeum Special Debate"**. The motion debated was: "Are Big Tech and Fake News the real threats to democracies today?"

#### **Europaeum Student participants:**

Krakow/Glasgow/Tartu: Soso Dzamukashvili

Leiden: Lennart Paetz Oxford: Jagyioseni Mandal

Prague/Leiden/Krakow: Covadonga Solares Morales

# **25-27 November 2021** Madrid



# **Classics Colloquium**

Metabolé: Crisis and Transformation in Antiquity
With the Classics Department of Complutense University, Madrid

Metabolé is a Greek word usually rendered as a combination of "revolution" and "transformation". Aristotle used it in his philosophical works to designate a process of change implying both destruction and generation of things. It is also a key concept in ancient medicine and politics, referring to changes of health state or political regime respectively: many examples of global crisis and revolutions, from Mycenaean to Late Antique times, can be adduced here, as the uses of the concept in Aristotle or Polybius. But it is also a relevant topic for Literature and the Arts, both for the evolution of genres or motifs and for the turning points of diverse narratives. What follows is a reversal of fortune or a "transition point" in the plot: but, as in the Poetics' treatment of tragedy, is it always for the worse? This hybrid Europaeum Classics Colloquium – the 19th in our series – puts forward the idea of crisis and transformation in Graeco-Roman History and Literature as a leitmotif much in tune with the current COVID situation.

#### 25 November

#### **Welcome Session**

Professor Ana Jiménez San Cristobal (Vice-Dean for Research, School of Languages and Literatures, Complutense University of Madrid)

Professor Isabel Velázquez (Director of the Classics Department, Complutense)

Dr Dimitar Bechev (Europaeum).

#### **Keynote Lecture 1**

Ana Moure (Professor Emerita of Latin Philology, Complutense University of Madrid) 'Remora Transformations of a word'

#### Session 1: Metabolé in Ancient Greek Politics

Chair: David Hernández de la Fuente (Professor of Greek Philology, Complutense) Alexandros Boukouvalas (Freie Universität Berlin)

'Crisis management in ancient Athens, or How Solon laid the foundations for Athenian democracy' Daniel Sutton (online, University of Oxford)

'Language in Crisis: Semantic Change and Stasis in Plato's Republic VIII'

Simón Gutiérrez (Complutense University of Madrid)

'Soter kings and the origins of the Hellenistic process of divinization of the ruler in Seleucid and Graeco-Asian States'

#### Session 2: Metabolé: Late Antique Adaptations

Chair: Francisco Javier Bran García (Assistant Professor of Latin Philology, Complutense) Aitor Boada Benito (Complutense University of Madrid)

'Skin and Crisis: How Skin and its Transformations Shaped Late Antique Christian Communities' Pablo Rodríguez Valdés (Complutense University of Madrid)

'The Transformations of Hymnography in Late Antique Greek Literature'

#### Round table 1 (hybrid format): Metabolé in Literature

Simon Goldhill (Professor of Greek Literature and Culture, University of Cambridge, online)
Miguel Herrero de Jáuregui (Professor of Greek Philology, Complutense University of Madrid)
Luigi Pirovano (Professor of Classics, University of Bologna, online)
Juan Signes Codoñer (Professor of Greek Philology, Complutense University of Madrid)

#### 26 November

#### Session 3: Transformations of Latin Literature

Chair: Miguel Herrero de Jáuregui (Professor of Greek Philology, Complutense University of Madrid)

Paolo Dainotti (University of Oxford)

'Crisis and pathos a fortuna in Virgil's *Aeneid*'

Hylke de Boer (University of Leiden)

Title'Roma Hospitis Patria'

Teresa Torcello (University of Bologna)

'Transformation as an adaptable translation strategy - Three examples in Latin translations from Greek'

#### **Keynote lecture 2**

Arlene Holmes-Henderson (Senior Research Fellow in Classics, University of Oxford)

'Crisis and transformation in the study of antiquity today' (online)

#### **Session 3: Classical Receptions in Modern Culture**

Federica Pezzoli, Assistant Professor of Greek Philology, Complutense University of Madrid Anna Borowy (University of Krakow)

'The Transylvanian School and the Classical Tradition as an Intellectual Revolution'

Saorise McGilligan (University St Andrews)

'Catasterism and the non-human in Ovid's Metamorphoses'

Zoe Jennings (University of Oxford)

'Old stories for new worlds? crisis and utopia in Metamorphosen' [overcoming mankind] (2021; Volksbühne Berlin, dir. Claudia Bauer)

### Round table 2 (hybrid format): Metabolé in CultureETABOLÉ IN CULTURE

Markus Janka (Professor of Classics, University of Munich, online)

Rebecca Sweetman, (Professor in Ancient History & Archaeology, University of St Andrews, online)

Federica Pezzoli (Assistant Professor of Greek Philology, Complutense University

Rodrigo Verano. (Assistant Professor of Greek Philology, Complutense)

#### 27 November

### **Keynote Lecture 3**

Krzysztof Bielawski (Professor of Classics, University of Krakow)

'Pollas metabolas metaballousa (Arist. Poet. 1449a14) - change and transition in the Greek literary culture'

#### **Session 4: The Transformations of Ovid**

Pere Fàbregas Salis (Assistant Professor of Latin Philology, Complutense University of Madrid)

Frank van den Boom (University of Leiden)

'The Superior Human Poet in Metamorphosen 10: Ovid's Orpheus in the Ecological Crisis and the (In)Ability to Change'

Donato Gagliastro (University of Prague)

'From Icarus to the Heroides: Ovid's Metamorphosis in Gabriele d'Annunzio's Classicism'

Leo Kershaw (University of Oxford)

'Tiresian Metabolē: Gender Fluidity in Ovid's Metamorphoses and its Reception in the Poetry of Kae Tempest'

#### **CLOSING REMARKS**

Professor David Hernández de la Fuente

Professor Miguel Herrero de Jáuregui



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# Feedback

Overall assessment	100% excellent or very good
Talks & lectures	80% excellent or very good
Organisation	94% excellent or very good
Programme shape/concept/theme	95 % excellent or very good
Did their understanding of the topic change/improve?	86% yes
Would attend another Europaeum event	100% yes
Would recommend Europaeum to others	86% yes

<sup>&</sup>quot;The atmosphere was so friendly and confidential that when I had to present my paper, it was as if I was telling it to my best friends"

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22-26 March 2021 (online)

- Sessions on: Rule of Law in the EU, European neighbourhoods, the role of court, human rights, state capture and corruption
- Professional training in policy writing
- Group work

Followed by two short workshops in April with leading professionals from industry for the group working on transition within the automotive industry.



#### **Module 5: Global Governance**

7-11 June 2021

- Talks by experts from the WTO and the UN; also presentations on: Multilateralism; the Private Sector; Global Migration & Health Governance
- Group Work

### Module 6

August 2021

A module predominantly focussing on finishing the two-page policy brief and 5000-word policy report. Scholars also received media training from Engaging Communications.

#### Final conference and project presentations

1-3 October 2021

Toledo, Spain, and online

Scholars presented their policy recommendations first to the assessors Ben Hall (Financial Times) Maria Joao Rodrigues (FEPS) and Anthony Teasdale (DG EPRS) and then to a broader audience of academics, policy makers and other stakeholders who attended our <a href="https://example.com/hybrid conference">hybrid conference on 'Crisis as an Opportunity for Europe</a>?'

Some additional meetings and presentations/training sessions were held between modules

# **GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

# **Bursaries**

Due to the pandemic, a backlog of bursary recipients emerged.

#### Ana Luisa Bernardino came to Oxford and reports:

Geneva – Oxford bursary 2019/20 (postponed to January 2021)

I am incredibly grateful to the Europaeum for its extremely generous support as I finalise my doctoral dissertation. Being the beneficiary of the Geneva-Oxford bursary was crucial in helping me progress with my research. Despite the constraints of the pandemic, I was able to take advantage of Oxford's impressive collection of online and library resources, and to get in touch with fellow doctoral students, as well as Faculty.

Given the interdisciplinary nature of my research, being able to be in touch with professors from other fields and to attend their lectures was another particular highlight. Last but not least, I am also especially grateful to Dr Walecki and Ms Heinrich for their warm welcome and making my first days in Oxford feel like home.



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