



3. Global Conference on Parliamentary Studies

10. June 2024

Faculty of Law, Charles University Address: Náměstí Curieových 7, Praha 1

from 8:15	Registration, 38, ground floor				
9:00	Room 220 Opening of the Conference Chair: Marek Antoš, Vice-dean of the Faculty of Law, Charles University, Head of Department of Constitutional Law				
	Welcome addresses Radim Boháč, Dean of the Faculty of Law, Charles University tbc. Speaker or Deputy Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies, tbc. Zsolt Szabó, Brill				
9:30	Room 220 Plenary Session I: Division of Power – Contemporary and New Approaches Chair: Marek Antoš, Faculty of Law, Charles' University Keynote speeches: Jan Wintr: Reflections on parliamentary autonomy and the role of constitutional courts Zoltán Szente: Unicameralism v. Bicameralism: An old debate revisited? Methmini Wijesinghe: Unpacking executive dominance in the legislative process: Exploring the role of legislative scrutiny in upholding democratic governance in Sri Lanka Ewa Michałkiewicz-Kądziela: How to change the constitution without changing it at all? – The inglorious case of the Polish Sejm				
10:45	Coffee break, 220, 2. floor				
	Panel Sessions				
11:15	Room 220 Panel I Sustainability of Parliaments and Democratic Backsliding Chair: Jan Kudrna, Faculty of Law, Charles University	Room 38 Panel II Dynamics of the Legislative Procedure Chair: Jana Reschová, Faculty of Law, Charles University, tbc.	Room 305 Panel III Bicameralism and Subnational Level of Representation Chair: Jan Grinc, Faculty of Law, Charles University		

	Keynote speech: Gianmario Demuro: Populism and European dimension of parliamentary democracy Jakub Charvát and Ladislav Cabada: Political trust, the populist challenge, and the decline of legislative power: A Central European perspective Fruzsina Gárdos-Orosz: (Non)Separation of powers during Covid 19 in Hungary and its consequences Lóránt Csink: On political responsibility and separation of powers – To the sideline of a resignation Ewa Milczarek: Parliament in times of constitutional crisis – The example of Poland	Keynote speech: Marek Antoš and Karel Řepa: From discussion to decision: Structuring debate in European parliaments Tomasz Litwin and Mateusz Nieć: The duration of debate in the lawmaking process in the Sejm in the period 2019-2023 Kateřina Ochodková: When obstruction turns to destruction: 9 th electoral term of Czech Chamber of Deputies as an extreme case of parliamentary obstructionism Matěj Czinege: It takes two to tango: Unveiling new dimensions in parliamentary question comparison Ondřej Preuss: The significance of Parliament's seat for the constitutional system	Keynote speech: Franziska Carstensen (and Calixte Bloquet): Members of the German Bundesrat: Do they represent? Ferdinando La Placa: Is there still a role for the second chamber? An Italian perspective Jan Hruška: Explaining perceived legitimacy of upper chambers: The case of the Czech Senate Giulio Santini: Models of bicameralism and interinstitutional cooperation between chambers Jack Nathan Liddall: Ever so slowly emerging: The structures for parliamentary scrutiny of intergovernmental relations in the United Kingdom	
12:45	Lunch break, 38, 1. floor			
13:45	Room 220 Panel I: Sustainability of Parliaments and Democratic Backsliding Venelin Bochev: Legislatures at the forefront: a unified framework for studying parliamentary opposition to autocratization Jan Němec: It's only words? Analysing parliamentary narratives on the rule of law Stanislav Ivasyk: Ukraine's Parliament during wartime: Balancing security and transparency Jakub Dienstbier: Emergency government and fourth-branch institutions: the best solution to the problem, or threat to parliaments and division of power?	Room 38 Panel II: Dynamics of the Legislative Procedure Anna M. Palau: Legislative strategies and the budget law: a territorial perspective Zsolt Szabó: Omnibus legislation in comparative perspective: advantages and disadvantages Jock Gardiner: Precedent and parliamentary law - A tool to either compel or prevent executive dominance Petr Gangur: "You voted for it!" On the inadmissibility of constitutional motions on the grounds of prior consent to a law Thijs Vos: Power or Ideology? What structures legislative voting behaviour in Dutch municipal councils, ideology, or coalition-opposition dynamics?	Room 305 Panel IV: Members of Parliament and Parliamentary Research Chair: Miluše Kindlová, Faculty of Law, Charles' University Keynote speech: Christoph Konrath: Can parliaments renew democracy? – A reconsideration the expressive, the teaching and the informing functions of parliaments. Andrea Cullen: The Voice of First Nations Peoples in the political process—a comparative analysis of parliamentary representation and participation Smita Singh: Representation through legislation: A study of gender quota in India Pankaj Kumar Patel: Investigating India's challenges in achieving equitable political representation: An examination of parliamentary delimitation	

		Fotios Fitsilis: Beyond standard parliamentary work: side activities of modern representative institutions		
15:15	Coffee break, 220	Coffee break, 305		
15:45	Room 220 Panel V: Parliaments and the Supranational Level of Representation Chair: Jan Grinc Keynote speech: Aleksandra Jovanovic: Comparative analyses of the role of national parliaments of Serbia and Montenegro in the law harmonization and EU accession negotiations processes Dániel G. Szábó: Protecting the democratic legitimacy of the European Parliament by preliminary ruling Csaba Gergely Tamás: The EU national parliaments: guardians of subsidiarity principle? Meray Maddah: Promotion of female representation in international organizations – Descriptive and substantive effects Laura Gil-Besada: Small state sagacity: Luxembourg's strategic play in parliamentary diplomacy	Room 305 Panel IV: Members of Parliament and Parliamentary Research Kevin Fredy Hinterberger: General Data Protection Regulation applies to parliamentary committees of inquiry – ECJ strengthens data protection Monica Velasco-Pufleau: The European Parliament and the protection of privacy and personal data: An institutional analysis of its response to the Schrems judgements Peter Smuk: Privacy in parliament? Piero Gambale: Ethics Infrastructure – Regulating parliamentary conduct in Italy Vijay K. Tyagi: Anti-defection Law and 'Whip': Changing paradigm of legislators' rights in India, Bangladesh, and Pakistan		
17:15	Coffee break, 220			
17:45	Room 220 Plenary Session II: Practice of Good Legislation Chair: Marek Antoš Keynote speech: Nicolas Duca: Is law the most appropriated tool for developing public policies? Ylenia Maria Citino: Leveraging automated technologies for law-making in Italy: Generative AI integration and constitutional challenges Philippe Poirier: The construction of scientific information in parliaments Izolda Bokszczanin-Gołaś: Public hearing in Poland – a legitimising dimension of citizen participation in the legislative process			
19:15	Closing of the Conference Jindřiška Syllová, Parliamentary Institute and Faculty of Law, Charles University			