

Seminar Session 1: Modes of political representation in the EU

Let's work & talk together about...

14/3 h 13-15 Working groups prepare class discussions.

Students presentations & discussion:

- **GROUP 1. Forms of legitimacy in the EU (18/3 h 11-12)**

READINGS

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- **GROUP 2. Functional & territorial representation (17/3 h 11-12)**

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 Piattoni S. (2012) "The Committee of the Regions and the Upgrading of Subnational Territorial Representation", in Kröger S. & Friedrich D. (Eds.) *The Challenge of Democratic Representation in the EU*, Palgrave MacMillan, pp. 59-73.
 Hönnige C. & Panke D. (2016) "Is anybody listening? The Committee of the Regions and the European Economic and Social Committee and their quest for awareness", Journal of European Public Policy, 23:4, 624-642.

- **GROUP 3. The role of NPs in EU policy making (18/3 h 10-11)**

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Bellamy R. & Kröger S. (2014) "Domesticating the Democratic Deficit? The Role of National Parliaments and Parties in the EU's System of Governance", Parliamentary Affairs, 67, p. 437-457.
 Raunio T. (2015) "The Role of National Legislatures in EU Politics", in Cramme O. & Hobolt S.B. (Eds) *Democratic Politics in a EU under stress*, OUP, pp. 103-119.
 Katrin Auel K. & Eisele O. & Kinski L. (2016) "From constraining to catalysing dissensus? The impact of political contestation on parliamentary communication in EU affairs", Comparative European Politics, 14, pp. 154–176.

- **GROUP 4. European parties & Electoral democracy (17/3 h 10-11)**

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 de Vries C.E. (2015) "Rethinking electoral democracy in Europe", in Cramme O. & Hobolt S.B. (Eds) *Democratic Politics in a EU under stress*, OUP, pp. 217-235.