

Conference Participants: Biographical Notes

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Hon. Margot Wallström

Vice President of the European Commission, Brussels

Margot Wallström, was elected to the Swedish Parliament in 1979 after which she was appointed to the Government of Sweden as Minister of Civil Affairs (1988-91), Culture (1994-96) and Social Affairs (1996-98). Designated by the Swedish Government she was Environment Commissioner in the European Commission (1999-2004) ardently defending the Kyoto Protocol and putting forward a radical proposal for new European chemicals legislation. Since November 2004 she has served as Vice-President of the European Commission, responsible for Inter-institutional Relations and Communications Strategy, and also replacing Commission President Barroso in his absence. She received the International Association for Impact Assessment Global Environmental Award in 2004 and was voted the European Commissioner of the Year in 2002 by the readers of the European Voice.

ACADEMIC PANELISTS

Dr. Ariane Chebel d'Appollonia

Institut Politiques de Paris, France

Educated at Sciences Po (Ph.D. in Political Science, DEA in History), Ariane Chebel d'Appollonia teaches at both undergraduate and postgraduate level at universities in France (Sciences Po, Paris III-Sorbonne, Columbia University in Paris, Chicago University in Paris), and the US (New York University, University of Pittsburgh, Northwestern University). She was the Director of the American Center at Sciences Po (2000-2003) and in charge of the TIRES Program, a transatlantic research network on "Transnationalism, Immigration, Racism, Ethnocentrism and the State." She is also *Attachée Scientifique* at the Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques and Associate senior researcher at the CEVIPOF/Center for Political Research. She specializes in the politics of immigration and anti-discrimination in Europe, racism and xenophobia, extreme-right wing movements, political theory and EU integration. In addition to three books (including one on the Far Right in France, and another on Everyday Racism) and three edited volumes, she has published many articles. As the Buffet Chair Professor (NU), she recently gave a series of lectures on "The failure of Migrant Integration as a New Security Issue" and "Urban Racism and Violence in France and Europe".

Dr. Anke Grosskopf

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Dr. Anke Grosskopf is Assistant Professor of Political Science at the C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University. A native German and former Fulbright fellow, she received her PhD from the University of Pittsburgh. Her research focuses on the intersection of national and supranational public opinion in the European Union, particularly in relation to constitutional courts and other constitutional matters. Currently, she is working on a book manuscript entitled "Explaining the Democratic Trust Conundrum - Lessons from the Re-United Germany."

Dr. Ulrike Liebert

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Dr. Liebert teaches European integration and comparative European politics at Bremen University and, since 2000, has served as director of the Jean Monnet Centre for European Studies (CEuS). She received her Ph. D from the European University Institute in Florence, Italy, and Dr. Liebert has also taught at the Universities of Heidelberg, Koblenz, Bracelona, and Cornell University. Dr. Liebert's most motable publications include: *Postnational Constitutionalisation in the New Europe* with J. Falke and A. Maurer, eds. (Baden-Baden, NOMOS, 2005); *Gendering Europeanisation. Patterns and Dynamics in France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Sweden and the UK* with S. Sifft (Brussels, P.I.E. Peter Lang 2003); *Women and Welfare. Theory and Practice in the United States and Europe* with N. Hirschman (Rutgers University Press 2001); and *Parliament and Democratic Consolidation in Southern Europe: Greece, Italy, Portugal, Spain and Turkey* with M. Cotta, eds. (London and New York, Pinter Publishers 1990).

Dr. George Menz

**Lecturer in Political Economy, Department of Political Science
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George Menz is Lecturer in Political Economy in the Politics Department at Goldsmiths College, University of London. He has an M.A. and Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Pittsburgh and also studied at the Goethe University in Frankfurt, the Free University of Berlin and the Institute of Political Studies in Paris. His research interests lie primarily on the field of (International) Political Economy, focusing both on the dynamics of globalisation and subsequent adjustment processes at the national level. In addition, Dr. Menz explores European Union politics and policy and the impact of European integration on its member states, particularly in the domains of economic, social and labor market policy and also the politics of migration and its regulation both at the national and the European level. He is the author of *Contested Borders: National Varieties of Capitalism and their Responses to Europeanization* forthcoming from Oxford University Press.

Dr. Sarah J. Mahler, PhD

**Director, Center for Transnational and Comparative Studies
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Dr. Mahler is a cultural anthropologist and specialist on international migration and the transnational ties that migrants sustain and build between their homelands and their adoptive countries, particularly between Central America/ the Caribbean and the United States. In recent years she has pioneered research on how gender relations are negotiated transnationally. The author of two books and numerous articles, she has served as PI on many grants and also directs an EU-US consortium on international migration issues featuring comparative studies and student training and exchanges. Mahler holds a PhD and M.Phil. in Anthropology from Columbia University and a B.A. from Amherst College.

Dr. Paul F. Mullen

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Dr. Mullen spent several years as an attorney in private practice and several years as an Assistant State Attorney General before returning for his Ph. D. studies. He was the 1998-1999 European Community Studies Association Marshall Fellow at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy. He studies comparative government, focusing on the European Union and United States, and is particularly interested in law and courts in these two regions. Most recently, he published a chapter in Cowles and Smith, eds. *State of the European Union: Risks, Reforms, Resistance and Revival* (Oxford University Press, 2001) that dealt with translation and the internal operation of the European Court of Justice. He is currently researching of how judicial institutions affect outcomes in court cases, the effects of enlargement on the European Court of Justice on the performance of that Court, and how voters use information in judicial elections.

Dr. Elisabeth Prügl

**Associate Professor, Department of International Relations and Geography,
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Dr. Elisabeth Prügl is an Associate Professor in the Department of International Relations and geography. Her research focuses on global economic governance with a special focus on international organizations, the European Union, and women's labor. Her articles on gender in international relations, women in European agriculture, home-based workers, and women in development have been published in top journals of the field. She also is the author of *The Global Construction of Gender: Home-based Work in the Political Economy of the 20th Century* (Columbia, 1999), co-editor of *Gender Politics in Global Governance* (Rowman and Littlefield, 1999) and of *Homeworkers in Global Perspective: Invisible No More* (Routledge, 1996).

Dr. Nicol C. Rae

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Dr. Nicol C. Rae (D. Phil, Oxford University) **Co-Director**, Miami EUC is Professor of Political Science at Florida International University, Miami, Florida. His most recent book (co-edited with Timothy Power) is **Exporting Congress: The Influence of the US Congress on World Legislatures** (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, forthcoming). Other books include *Impeaching Clinton: Partisan Strife on Capitol Hill* (with Colton Campbell); and *Conservative Reformers: The Republican Freshmen and the Lessons of the 104th Congress*. Professor Rae has also written numerous journal articles and book chapters on American and European politics and government. He was chosen for an *American Political Science Association Congressional Fellowship* in 1995-1996, and was *Gwyllim Gibbon Prize Research Fellow* at Nuffield College Oxford from 1985-1988.

Dr. Joaquin Roy

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Dr. Roy (Lic. Law, University of Barcelona, 1966; Ph.D. Georgetown University, 1973), is Jean Monnet Professor of European Integration, Director of University of Miami European Union Center and Co-Director of the Miami-Florida European Union Center of Excellence.

He has published over 200 academic articles and reviews, and he is the author, editor, or co-editor of 25 books, among them *The Reconstruction of Central America: the Role of the European Community* (North-South Center, 1991), *The Ibero-American Space/ El Espacio Iberoamericano* (U.Miami/University of Barcelona, 1996), *Cuba, the U.S. and the Helms-Burton Doctrine: International Reactions* (University of Florida Press, 2000), *Las relaciones exteriores de la Unión Europea* (México: UNAM, 2001), *Retos de la integración regional: Europa y América* (México: UNAM, 2003), and *La Unión Europea y el TLCAN* (México: UNAM, 2004). He has also published over 1,200 columns and essays in newspapers and magazines. Among his awards is the Encomienda of the Order of Merit bestowed by King Juan Carlos of Spain.

Dr. Alberta Sbragia

**Director Center for Western European Studies
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Dr. Sbragia is UCIS, Research Professor of Political Science and Director of the Center for West European Studies and the European Union Center at the University of Pittsburgh. Her various publications include *Debt Wish: Entrepreneurial Cities, U.S. Federalism, and Economic Development* (University of Pittsburgh Press, 1996) and *Euro-Politics: Politics and Policymaking in the "New" European Community*, (The Brookings Institution, 1992). Dr Sbragia's ongoing work related to the European Union focuses on 1) the impact of the EU on the organization of the international economy. More specifically, it examines how the creation of the EEC as a customs union shaped the subsequent emergence of regionalism, NAFTA, MERCOSUR, ASEAN (AFTA), and APEC in particular 2) analyzing the EU in comparative terms, with particular reference to the literature on American federalism, policymaking, state formation and development.

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Barbara Sgouraki Kinsey (Ph.D. Washington University) is an Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Central Florida where she has taught since 2002. Her research has appeared in *Party Politics*, *Industrial Relations Journal*, *The Latin Americanist*, and *Scandinavian Political Studies* (forthcoming).

Dr. Markus Thiel
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Dr. Thiel holds a Ph.D. in International Studies from the University of Miami, writing on the impact of European integration in the post-Maastricht period on trans-national identities. His research interests include trans-national and European identities, the Europeanization of public spheres and European social policy. Previously he worked for the EU-Socrates/Erasmus program at the University of Applied Sciences in Munich, Germany

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A native of Turkey, Gonul Tol completed my B.A. degree in International Relations at Middle East Technical University, Ankara/Turkey in 2001. She graduated from the M.A program of Political Science Department at Florida International University in Fall 2002. She wrote masters thesis on the irredentist movements in former Yugoslavia. She is currently writing a dissertation on the radical Islamist movements in Europe with an emphasis on the Turkish immigrant case. She has given several lectures and presentations in various international conferences and discussion platforms on the issue of role of identity in politics and ethnic conflict.

Dr. Mary Troy Johnston
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Dr. Johnston earned a PhD from Tulane University and in 1989 joined the Loyola University faculty. Her academic specialization is European and comparative government, the field in which she authored *The European Council: Gatekeeper of the European Community*. Her new teaching interests include global issues. In her research, she has branched into international politics with an emphasis on the emerging common European foreign policy, especially in the area of humanitarian intervention. Her experiences growing up in Arkansas during the Civil Rights movement, across the river from Memphis, Tennessee, and attending a women's college continue to direct her concerns to issues of race and gender on campus.

ROUNDTABLE OF MIAMI EU CONSULS GENERAL

Hon. Keith Allan, Consul General of the United Kingdom

Keith Allan was born in Glasgow, Scotland in 1968. Following a brief spell with the Ministry of Defence he joined the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) in 1988, serving in London before being assigned to the British High Commission in Botswana in 1990. In 1996 he returned to London to work in the Counter Terrorism Policy Department, where he handled the response to the kidnapping of UK nationals overseas. Mr. Allan returned to London in 2000 as head of the political section in Central and Northwest European Department dealing with relations with Switzerland and Norway. In January 2002, he spent one month working as Consul in the British Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan following the reopening of the mission after 9/11. On his return from Kabul he took up the position of Deputy Director for Africa and the Middle East in UK Trade and Investment (UKTI). In early 2003 he was asked to establish a new Iraq Unit in UKTI. He worked closely with the US Embassy in London and organized a major UK/US conference for companies looking to get involved in the reconstruction process in Iraq. He accompanied UK government Ministers to Cabinet meetings and on visits to Washington. In July 2003 Mr. Allan was posted to Trinidad and Tobago as Deputy High Commissioner. His role has largely been working with UK and local agencies to tackle the serious crime problem in the country and also efforts to counter the flow of narcotics from South America.

Hon. Santiago Cabanas Ansorena, Consul General of Spain

H.E. Santiago Cabanas Ansorena is the Consul General of Spain in Miami. He joined the Spanish diplomatic service in 1981 where he served as a Director for Northern European Affairs in the General Directorate for European Affairs (1981-1983) and a Deputy Director of the Cabinet of the Minister (1983-1985). Santiago Cabanas served as Deputy Head of Mission and a Counselor at the Embassies in Teheran (1985-1988) and in Washington (1988-1993). After returning to Madrid, he served as a Deputy Director General of Central and Eastern Europe (1993-1996), Director General of Cultural and Scientific Relations (1996-1998) and Director General of the Cabinet of the Minister (1998-2000). Santiago Cabanas was named Ambassador to the Czech Republic (July 2000-2004). He was appointed Consul General of Spain in Miami in August 2005.

Hon. Gianfranco Colognato, Consul General of Italy

On March 13, 1968 Mr. Colognato obtained a degree in Political Science from the University of Rome. On August 29, 1975 he joined the diplomatic service and became Second Secretary on April 9, 1976 assigned to the Office of Technical Cooperation with Developing Countries. On December 15, 1976 he was assigned to Khartoum, as Second Commercial Secretary. On March 1, 1980 he became First Secretary. Subsequently, on August 4, 1980 he was assigned to the Consulate in San Gallo and later on to Vaduz, in Liechtenstein as Consul. On July 2, 1984 he returned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in Rome, assigned to the Main Office of Political Affairs and on October 1, 1984 he is assigned to the Main Office of Immigration Affairs. Promoted to the rank of Counselor on May 1, 1985 he was assigned to Lagos. On June 30, 1989 he returned to Rome, at the Inspectorate General of the Ministry and the Offices abroad. On June 30, 1990 he was once again assigned to the Main Office of Political Affairs. Promoted to the rank of First Counselor on July 9, 1991 he was appointed to Mogadishu, Somalia on August 28, 1991. On May 11, 1992 he was appointed Consul General in Tripoli where he stayed until 1994, when he returned to Rome in charge of Diplomatic Legal Department, Desk of Treaty and Legislative Affairs. On December 6, 1999 he was appointed as Consul General of Italy in Cologne, Germany. On July 30, 2003 he was appointed Consul General of Italy in Miami with jurisdiction over Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, South Carolina, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Netherlands Antilles (St. Marteen, St. Eustatius and Saba), British Virgin Islands, Turks and Caicos and the Bahamas.

Hon. Countess Eva Alexandra Kendeffy, Consul General of the Republic of Germany

After being Associate Lecturer at the College of Administration in Berlin/Germany (1980-1982), Countess Kendeffy entered the diplomatic Service at the Federal Republic of Germany (1982-1984). She became First Secretary at the Political Department of the Foreign Ministry of the Federal Republic of Germany in Bonn/Germany (1984-1986) and from 1986 to 1989 she served as First Secretary of the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in San José/Costa Rica – Press and Cultural Affairs. From 1989 to 1994 she was the Counselor Political Affairs at the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Washington, D.C. After her post in Washington, Countess Kendeffy became the Vice Director of the Office of the Federal Foreign Ministry in Berlin/Germany until 1999. Later in 1999, she was appointed Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Dominican Republic until 2004, when she became the Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany to Florida, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands in Miami/Florida.

Hon. Philippe Vinogradoff, Consul General of France in Miami

A Graduate of the Institut d'Etudes Politiques with a degree in the Practice of Consular Administration, Mr. Vinogradoff entered the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Paris, serving initially in the Department for Economic Affairs and the Department for Europe (1978-1979). Mr. Vinogradoff completed his military service in the Service de la Coopération – Embassy of France in Nairobi (1979-1980). Since 1980 he has served in France's embassies and consulates in Brazil, Panama, Mexico, Chile and Los Angeles returning to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Paris in 1988-1991 and 1999-2002. Prior to his appointment as Consul General of France in Miami in August 2005, Mr. Vinogradoff served as "Second Counsellor" at the Embassy of France in Santiago, Chile. He has the distinction of Knight of the National Order of Merit.