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# CERiM Newsletter



## In the spotlight: Brexit and the EP elections

Brexit and the 2019 European Parliament elections have surely caught the attention of the academic community at the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences and at the Faculty of Law in this academic year 2018-2019. For instance, the Jean Monnet Lectures hosted by CERiM all looked at the upcoming elections, albeit from different angles. Possibly the most contested issue approaching the elections, namely the Spitzenkandidaten process, was then explored in the academic debate featuring Thomas Christiansen and Diane Fromage, hosted in collaboration with the Maastricht Centre for European Law (MCEL).

Another joint CERiM & MCEL conference brought together many CERiM members and a wide array of different [legal and political perspectives on Brexit](#), from the Irish backstop to what will Brexit mean for EU Agencies. CERiM members were also invited to speak about Brexit in several other occasions, such as the [Expert Roundtable 'Brexit and Beyond'](#) including Patrick Bijsmans and former CERiM fellow Oriane Calligaro, or the conference ['Surviving Trump, Brexit and the BRICS: How Europe can stand up for global governance'](#), featuring Thomas Conzelmann, Hylke Dijkstra, Anke Moerland and Andrea Ott. Brexit and the role of academia was

## Upcoming events

[29 April 2019](#): The Maastricht Debate with the Spitzenkandidaten, moderated by Rianne Letschert and Ryan Heath.

[3 May 2019](#): Inaugural Lecture by Mariolina Eliantonio, preceded by the congress 'The future of judicial review'.

[7 May 2019](#): Debate Café by Studium Generale 'Brexit, the UK and the EU: What's Next?'

[17 May 2019](#): PhD Conferral Daniel Stinsky.

[22 May 2019](#): CERiM Young Scholars' Forum.

also the theme of the symposium that, in occasion of the 43rd Maastricht University Dies Natalis, kicked off the Maastricht-York strategic partnership. A strong signal of the willingness to keep close ties between the universities in the continent and in the UK. And in the Brexit turmoil, the timely [blog posts](#) by Prashant Sabharwal provided much needed clarity in the delicate withdrawal process.

Inevitably, Brexit has also raised many questions as to the idea of EU membership itself and its future developments. These questions will be addressed at the [CERiM Annual Conference](#) "Beyond EU 'Membership'? Current issues and future perspectives", which will bring to Maastricht renowned experts in EU law and politics, as well as experienced practitioners.

And as Brexit seems to be postponed for a few months and we are instead looking forward to listening to the Spitzenkandidaten at the [Maastricht Debate](#) tonight, this newsletter will provide an overview of the main events and news involving CERiM and its members in the academic year 2018-2019.


We wish you a good read!

*The CERiM Team*

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## UM-York Partnership

In January, Maastricht University and the University of York have concluded a major strategic partnership, aiming at establishing joint research projects, teaching collaborations, knowledge exchange, student and staff exchange, and sharing of best practices among staff and students on a variety of topics. Especially relevant to CERiM members is one of the five core academic themes of the partnership, namely "Europe".

The strategic partnership was inaugurated on the 43rd Maastricht University Dies Natalis, when colleagues from Maastricht University and the University of York were also invited to speak at the symposium 'Bridges over Brexit : How can universities respond to a changing political landscape?'.  


Click [here](#) to find out more about the UM-York Partnership and to discover the funding opportunities available.

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[23-24 May](#) 2019: CERiM Annual Conference 'Beyond EU 'Membership'? Current issues and future perspectives'.

[6-7 June 2019](#): Conference 'Ten years of the EU-Eastern Partnership'.

[23-28 June](#): Summer School by the Jean Monnet Network on Challenges to Multiculturalism and Multilateralism.

[24-28 June 2019](#): CLEER Summer School on the Law of EU External Relations.

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## Awards and Achievements

The interfaculty [Marie Curie COFUND proposal 'LIMES'](#) has been approved. UCM, SBE and FoL joined forces to set up this doctoral programme under the lead of FASoS.

[Kiran Klaus Patel & Valentina Mazzucato](#) were appointed as KNAW members

[Ellen Vos and Kristel De Smedt](#) have been awarded a large H2020 project on the precautionary principle, to which other CERiM colleagues will also Contribute.

[Andrea Ott](#) was appointed Professor of 'EU External Relations Law'.

[Mathieu Segers](#) was appointed 'Professor of Contemporary European History and European Integration'.

[Arjan Schakel](#) was awarded a large BFS Starting Grant for his project 'Strengthening Regional Democracy – Contributing to Good Democratic Governance'.

[Lisa Waddington](#) coordinates Maastricht University's involvement in the Marie Curie Innovative Training Network (ITN) 'DARE' on disability law.

[Hylke Dijkstra](#) has been awarded a prestigious ERC Starting Grant for his research project 'NestlOr' on the decline and death of international organisations.

## Jean Monnet Lectures

In the academic year 2018-2019, CERiM organised four Jean Monnet Lectures, all related to the upcoming European Parliament elections.

On 18 October, we hosted **Ryan Heath**, Political Editor at POLITICO Europe. In his lecture 'The first real European election?', Ryan engaged with the audience in a discussion about what makes the 2019 elections so important for the future of Europe. On 13 November, in collaboration with the Ambassador Lectures Series, we had the honour to listen to **Alberto Alemanno**, renowned academic, civic advocate and social entrepreneur, discussing his expectations for the elections and the emergence of transnational parties. As the elections were coming closer, on 7 February we had the opportunity to discuss predictions, polls and candidates with **Sophia Russack**, Researcher at CEPS and PhD candidate at Maastricht University. This was in fact the first Jean Monnet Lecture delivered by a Maastricht University researcher and alumna. Finally, on 28 March, **Luuk van Middelaar**, Professor of Foundations and Practice of the European Union and its Institutions at Leiden University, joined us in Maastricht to present his new book 'Alarums and Excursion: Improvising Politics on the European Stage' and to discuss how the crises of the past years will impact the upcoming elections. Sadly, this was also the last Jean Monnet Lecture hosted by Michael Shackleton, whom we thank for his precious contribution to CERiM and the Jean Monnet Lecture series over the past years.



Click [here](#) to find the summaries of the Jean Monnet Lectures.

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## Selected Publications

### Books and book chapters

Christiansen, T., & Fromage, D. (2019). *Brexit and Democracy: The role of parliaments in the UK and the European Union*. (European Administrative Governance). Cham: Palgrave Macmillan. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-06043-5.

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Rittberger, V., Zangl, B., Kruck, A., & Dijkstra, H. (2019). *International organization*. Houndmills, Basingstoke, Hampshire, UK: Red Globe Press.

[Andrea Broderick](#) was awarded the 2018 Edmond Hustinx Prize for Science for her research on accessibility and universal design obligations as outlined in the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).

[Elissaveta Radulova](#) has been appointed as the new Programme Director of the BA programme European Studies.

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## In the news

[Christine Arnold](#) interviewed by RTV Maastricht on the Maastricht Debate.

[Thomas Christiansen](#) interviewed by the oldest Japanese newspaper, Mainichi.

[Kiran Patel](#) interviewed by various international media outlets.

[Sarah Schoenmaekers](#) interviewed by 1Limburg on the use of English at Maastricht University.

[Hylke Dijkstra](#) interviewed by Luxemburger Wort.

## Blog posts

[An 'Expert' Perspective on Brexit... Means Brexit](#) by Patrick Bijsmans.

[Brexit Blogs](#) by Prashant Sabharwal.

[Brexit and the Economics of Federalism](#) by Niels Philipsen.

[Brexit and citizenship I: retention of EU citizenship](#) by Anne Pieter van der Mei.

[Brexit and citizenship II: Associate EU citizenship](#) by Anne Pieter van der Mei.

[Emergency for a wall?](#) by Aalt Willem Heringa.

[Fake news, algorithms and democracy protection: can David beat Goliath?](#) by Maja Brkan.

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Waddington, L., & Lawson, A. (2018). *The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Practice: A comparative analysis of the role of courts*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

## Journal Articles

Carraro, V. (2019), 'Electing the Experts: Expertise and Independence in the UN Human Rights Treaty Bodies', *European Journal of International Relations*, DOI: 10.1177/1354066118819138

Carraro, V., Conzelmann, T., & Jongen, H. (2019). Fears of Peers? Explaining Peer and Public Shaming in Global Governance. *Cooperation and Conflict*. DOI: 10.1177/0010836718816729

Dijkstra, H., Petrov, P., & Mahr, E. (2019). Learning to deploy civilian capabilities: How the United Nations, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe and European Union have changed their crisis management institutions. *Cooperation and Conflict*. DOI: 10.1177/0010836718823814.

Fromage, D. (2019). Guaranteeing the ECB's democratic accountability in the post-Banking Union era: An ever more difficult task? *Maastricht Journal of European and Comparative Law*. DOI: 10.1177/1023263X18822788.

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Schakel, A., & Romanova, V. (2018). Towards a scholarship on regional elections. *Regional & Federal Studies*, 28(3), 233-252. DOI: 10.1080/13597566.2018.1473857.

## Latest additions to the CERiM Online Paper Series

[Online Paper No 10/2018](#) - Phedon Nicolaidis (2018). Accountability of the ECB's Single Supervisory Mechanism: Evolving and Responsive

[Online Paper No 11/2018](#) - Maria Patrino (2018). The Legal Nature of the Principle of Collegiality: A General Principle of EU Law?

[Online Paper No. 12/2018](#) – Ute Lettanie (2018) The ECB as Agent or Trustee in Light of the ESM?

[Online Paper No. 13/2018](#)- Tobias Tesche (2018) Supranational Agency and indirect Governance after the Euro Crisis: ESM, ECB, EMEF and EFB

[Online Paper No. 14/2018](#)- Jens Hillebrand Pohl (2018) Fairness Screening of International Investments as an Instrument of EU External Trade and Investment Governance



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[International disability rights and the dilemma of domestic courts](#) by Anna Lawson & Lisa Waddington.

[Palestine v US: why the ICJ does not need to decide whether Palestine is a state](#) by Jure Vidmar.

[The 5 Star Movement's use and abuse of direct democracy and the Italian constitution](#) by Mariolina Eliantonio and Sascha Hardt.

[The Italian budget drama – Brussels and Rome on collision course](#) by Paul Dermine.

[When states elect the experts: the case of the UN Human Rights treaty bodies](#) by Valentina Carraro.

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