

# **MAKING CONSTITUTIONS, BUILDING PARLIAMENTS** **Constructing representative institutions, 1000-2000**

## **CONFERENCE PROGRAMME**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June, King's College, London**  
**King's College, London**

*KCL History Department, Strand Campus, London WC2R 2LS*

2.00pm ICHRPI Editorial Board Meeting (S8.08, KCL History Department)  
Meeting of the *Direction*

3.00 ICHRPI Annual General Meeting (S8.08, KCL History Department)  
*Tea and coffee provided*

*The Weston Room (old Rolls Chapel) Maughan Library, KCL, Chancery Lane*

5.00 Conference Registration opens

6.00 OPENING RECEPTION  
Opening remarks and welcome:  
Dr Adam Sutcliffe (Head of History Department, KCL)  
Dr Paul Seaward (History of Parliament)

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July, Royal Holloway, University of London**

**Moore Building/Annexe, Boilerhouse Lecture Theatre, Founders' Dining Room**

- 8.00am Coaches available from Montague Place, WC1E 7JW, London (at the back entrance of the British Museum) for transport to Royal Holloway  
**(Please note: coaches will leave at 8 am sharp. If missed, delegates will have to find their own way to Royal Holloway via Waterloo Station)**
- 9.30 Arrive Royal Holloway: coffee
- 9.00 – 4.00pm Registration desk and publishing exhibition in Moore Building/Annexe
- 9.45 Welcome to Royal Holloway  
Formal opening of the ICHRPI conference  
Professor Maria Sofia Corciulo (ICHRPI)
- 10.00 SESSION 1: PANELS
- Session A: The Commons and their Communities: Petitioning in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth century**  
Helen Killick, *Common Petitions in the Fourteenth-Century English Parliament*  
Mark Ormrod, *Common petitions and common profit: the development of the Commons' political authority, 1272-1377*  
Gwilym Dodd, *Common petitions: the rhetoric and reality of common interest*
- Session B: Parliaments in early modern Northern Europe**  
Alan MacDonald, *Shire Commissioners and the Evolution of the Political Community in Scotland*  
John Young, *The making and significance of the Scottish Constitutional Settlement of 1640-41*  
Joakim Scherp, *The Swedish Model, Early Modern edition: cooperation and constitutionalism in the Swedish parliament*
- Session C: The Sicilian Constitution of 1812-15**  
Carmen Trimarchi, *'If we wish to preserve Sicily, and make it happy in itself and useful to us, we must commence by resolving to govern it in the name of the present dynasty': Gould Francis Leckie's political plan and the Sicilian Constitution of 1812.*  
Francesca Frisone, *Political struggle and parliamentary élites in Sicily: the making of Parliament between 1813 and 1815*  
Enza Pelleriti, *The last Parliament of the Sicilian Kingdom and the suggestions of amendments of the 1812 Constitution (1814-15)*
- Session D: The People and the constitution**  
Giovanni Maniscalco Basile, *The role of the people in projects of constitutional reform in Russia, from 1730 to 1917*  
Robert Podolnjak & Petar Bačić, *From the Parliament Act 1911 to the European Union Act 2011: Transformation from Informal to Mandatory Referendum in British Constitutional Doctrine*  
László Komáromi, *Historical Roots of the Constitutional Referendum*
- 11.30 Coffee

- 11.45            SESSION 2: PANELS
- Session A:**    **Parliament as an idea in the C16th and C17th centuries**  
Paul Cavill, *Polydore Vergil and the first English parliament*  
Cathleen Sarti, *Parliaments deposing Monarchs*  
Maija Jansson, *Representing the Commonwealth*
- Session B:**    **Political and Ecclesiastical Affairs in Medieval Europe**  
Stefan Burkhardt, *Interactions of Monastic and Political Assemblies ca. 1100-1300*  
Julia Burkhardt, *Bishops in Political Assemblies in Late Medieval Central Europe*  
Flavio Silvestrini, *Magna Carta as an anti-hierocratic source: the involvement of Innocent III in the King-barons controversy (1202-1215)*
- Session C:**    **Magna Carta in History and Politics**  
Steven Franklin, *Magna Carta: The transformation of a medieval document to mythic social tool*  
George Garnett, *Sir Edward Coke and Magna Carta*  
Alex Lock, *Magna Carta and Radical Politics in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Century*
- Session D:**    **The 1860s and 1870s in Italy, Spain and France**  
Maria Sofia Corciulo, *The first Sicilian Senators in the new Kingdom of Italy (1860-61): revising the interpretation of 'Il Gattopardo'*.  
Unai Belaustegi & Joseba Iñaki Arregi, *The first Basque republicans and the importance of the parliamentary act during the First Spanish Republic, 1873-1874*  
Jean Garrigues, *How the centre groups built the French constitutional laws of 1875*
- 1.15            Lunch
- 2.15            SESSION 3: PANELS
- Session A:**    **Medieval parliaments**  
Maria Helena Coelho, *The Cortes in the kingdom of Portugal: historical background*  
Nina Kršljanin, *Interrupted evolution: the Serbian medieval assembly (Sabor)*  
Dalibor Janiš, *The Liberties of the Estates and the Beginning of the Representative Assemblies in the Medieval Czech State*
- Session C:**    **Hungary**  
Barna Mezey, *Between Estate and Popular Representation. Change in the Function of the Hungarian Parliament in the First Half of the 19th Century*  
István Szabó, *Der Reichstag und die historische Verfassung in Ungarn nach 1848*  
Magdolna Szigeti, *Die Rolle des Parlaments im Systemwechsel von 1989 in Ungarn*
- Session D:**    **Parliaments at work in the C20th**  
Alessandro Breccia, *Building a Parliamentary Democracy in Italy: the Debate on the Role of Permanent Committees from the Liberal Era to the Constituent Assembly (1916-1948)*  
Roland Kleinhenz, *Parliaments at war: The British Parliament and warfare in 1918*  
Betlem Castella, *Les commissions de travail: Organes consultatifs, âmes des assemblées ou vrais chevaux de Troie ?*
- 3.45            Tea

4.00           Tours

- Visit to Runnymede meadow, site of agreement of Magna Carta (meet outside Moore Building from 4pm)
- Royal Holloway Gallery tour (arranged with Curator, Laura MacCulloch, for 4pm and 4.45pm – meet outside Moore Building at 3.55 or 4.40)

6.00           SESSION 4: PLENARY/PUBLIC LECTURE (Boilerhouse Lecture Theatre)

Professor David Carpenter (KCL) *Simon de Montfort, Magna Carta and the development of Parliament*

Introduced by Professor Jonathan Phillips

7.15           DRINKS RECEPTION

8.00           Buffet supper (Founders' Building)

9.00           Coaches return to central London

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, Portcullis House, Victoria Embankment, London**  
**Attlee Room, Grimond Room, Thatcher Room, Room R**

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9.00 – 4.30pm Registration desk (Attlee suite ante-room)

9.30 SESSION 5: PANELS

**Session A: Medieval English Parliaments**

Robin McCallum, *Provincial towns and the English Parliament, 1295-1350*

Daniel Gosling, *Praemunire and the freedom of the English Church in the parliaments of Edward III and Richard II*

Lucy Hennings, *The King's Clerks: Continental Networks and the Governance of England in the Reign of Henry III.*

**Session B: Parliaments and histories**

Mikel Urquijo & Aritz Onaindia, *The search to legitimize autonomous communities through the tradition of historical representative assemblies (Spain, 1978-1983)*

Joseba Agirreazkuenaga, *Exploring political resilience patterns: representative assemblies on both sides of the Pyrenees in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries and the making of new parliaments in the Basque area in the 20<sup>th</sup> century.*

Stefano Tabacchi, *Italian Parliament and European constitutional traditions (1848-1890)*

**Session C: The impact of the British Parliamentary model**

Gerald Kohl, *English constitutional law in Austrian popular legal literature*

Emilia Iñesta, *Nineteenth century Spanish parliamentarism and Jeremy Bentham*

Rosamaria Alibrandi, *The German Interpretation of the English Constitution in Italian Juridical Thinking in the Late Nineteenth Century*

**Session D: Constitutions under Stress**

*'Constitutions under Stress' is a joint initiative by the constitutional studies programmes at the University of Oxford and Sciences Po. Its aim is to study the constitutional changes occurring in the United Kingdom and France in light of their long, rich constitutional history.*

Jean Garrigues

Scot Peterson

11.00 Coffee (Attlee Suite)

11.20 SESSION 6: ROUND TABLE AND PANELS

**Session A: Round Table I: Digitisation (Chair: Jane Winters)**

Marc Alexander

Jonathan Blaney

Luke Blaxill

Andrew Laas  
Cheryl Schonhardt-Bailey

- Session B: Parliaments and the right of resistance and representation**  
Felicia Roşu, *Constitutional expressions of the right of resistance in Eastern Europe, 1222-1791: from disobedience to armed opposition*  
Alastair Mann, *'An unofficial constitution': parliamentary sovereignty and representation in early modern Scotland through the lens of George Buchanan and his opponents*  
Mario Damen, *The nobility in the Estates of the late medieval duchy of Brabant*  
Valerie Vrancken, *The political use of the Inauguration Charters of the Brabantine dukes by the Estates of Brabant (1356-1430)*

- Session C: The influence of the British model**  
John McEldowney & Gerard Marcou, *France and Britain*  
Paul Smith, *L'esprit anglais and the French constitutional moment, 1789 to 1958*  
Frederik Verleden, *Proposing a contribution on the development of a Westminster-style parliamentary system in the 19th century Belgian parliament*  
Marcella Aglietti, *"As a brave lion". Democracy and the influence of the British model in the parliamentary discourse of early Spanish liberalism*

- Session D: Making Constitutions in Saxony**  
Andreas Hoffmann, *On the first constitution of 1831 in post-Napoleonic Germany*  
Janosch Pastewka, *The making of Saxony's first democratic constitution of 1920*  
Edith Schriefl, *The pre-socialist constitution of 1946*  
Caroline Förster, *The creation of Saxony's post-cold-war constitution of 1992*

1.10 Lunch (Attlee Suite)

2.10 SESSION 7: PANELS

- Session A: From fire to fire: St Stephen's Chapel and the Commons Chamber, 1512-1834**  
John Cooper, *Investigating St Stephen's Chapel in the Palace of Westminster'*  
James Jago, *The House of Commons and Theatres of Debate in Early Modern England*  
Rosemary Hill, *The Debate about the Rebuilding of Parliament*  
Caroline Shenton, *Burning Down the House: The 1834 Fire and the House of Commons*

- Session B: Parliaments at work in the C19th**  
Simona Fazio, *The debate on the prison system in the Kingdom of Italy as seen through the work of Parliamentary committees (1862-1866)*  
Maria Zozaya, *Political clubs building parliamentarians in Portugal and Spain*  
Alessandro Isoni, *"The worst judge is a deaf judge". Bagehot and the informing function of the House of Commons*  
Kieran Hazzard, *Constitutionalism and The Raj: The Quest for a Representative Empire, 1815-1832*

- Session C: Parliaments at work in the C18th**  
Philip Loft, *Public participation in the Westminster Parliament, 1688-1730*  
Glenn McKee, *The Irish House of Commons 1692 to 1730: asserting difference by copying Westminster*

Coleman Dennehy, *Nisi per legale iudicium parium suorum: Parliament and the right to trial by peers in early modern Ireland*

Ugo Bruschi, *Through Italian Eyes: The Perception of the British Parliamentary System in the 18th Century in Italian Diplomatic Reporting*

**Session D: Monarchs and Early Modern Parliaments: the Legacy of H.G. Koenigsberger** (Chair: Henry Cohn)

John Rogister, *Emile Lousse, H.G. Koenigsberger and the development of the concept of the composite State*

Alastair Duke, *Managing constitutional change in a dominium politicum et regale. The privileges in the Revolt of the Netherlands*

4.00 Tea (Attlee Suite)

4.40 SESSION 8: PLENARY/PUBLIC LECTURE (Attlee Suite)

Professor Colin Kidd FBA, *Founding Myths and their Discontents: the British and American Constitutions compared*

Introduced by The Lord Cormack FSA (History of Parliament Trust)

6.00 DRINKS RECEPTION

Speaker's House, House of Commons

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**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, Portcullis House, Victoria Embankment, London**  
**Attlee Room, Grimond Room, Thatcher Room, Room R**

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9.30 SESSION 9: ROUND TABLE AND PANELS

**Session A: Round Table II: Oral History** (Chair: Emma Peplow)

Priscila Pivatto

Don Ritchie

Kristina Spohr

Mikel Urquijo

**Session B: Italy in the nineteenth century**

Francesco Soddu, *The Holy Ark of the Statuto: nature and instrumental use of the Italian constitution during the Liberal age*

Andrea Del Corno, *The place of the British parliamentary model and the adoption of a single-chamber system at Naples during the 1820-1821 constitutional experiment*

Patrizia De Salvo, *Les sermons constitutionnels dans la Sicile de la première moitié du 19e siècle*

**Session C: The Uses of History in the Long Parliament**

Stephen K. Roberts *Appeals to the past and creating the record in the Long Parliament, 1640-7*

Jason Peacey *'That memorable parliament': medieval history in parliamentary polemic, 1641-2*

Vivienne Larminie *Parliament and the English church: precedent, history, gospel order and godly imperative in the thinking of MPs of the 1640s*

**Session D: Traditions of constitutionalism/Constitutions in Practice**

Elisabetta Fiocchi Malaspina, *The model of constitutionalism in the école romande du droit naturel (XVIII century)*

Andrew Blick, *Magna Carta and constitutional exceptionalism*

Paschalis Kitromilides, *Traditions of constitutionalism in Greek political thought*

11.00 Coffee (Attlee Suite)

11.20 SESSION 10: ROUND TABLE AND PANELS

**Session A: Round Table III: Discourse** (Chair: Pasi Ihalainen)

Emma Crewe

Cornelia Ilie

Shirin Rai

Taina Saarinen

Henk te Velde



**Session B: 'Crown', 'state' and 'res publica' during the 'Crisis of the Seventeenth Century**  
Professor Robert von Friedeburg, Erasmus University, *Territorial Estates and the modern notion of 'state' in Thirty Year War Germany*  
James Collins, *Representative Assemblies and Legacies of Noble Citizenship in France*  
Xavier Torres, *Political Discourse in the Catalan revolt of 1640*

**Session C: Petitioning and popular constitutionalism in modern Britain**  
Richard Huzzey, *(E-)Petitioning and (Re)making Constitutions: Lessons from the Abolitionists*  
Malcolm Chase, *What did Chartism petition for?*  
Henry Miller, *Popular or parliamentary sovereignty?: the contested nature of the right to petition in Britain, 1780-1914*  
Robert Poole, *Petitioning for parliamentary reform in regency England*

**Session D: Interwar Europe and beyond** (Chair: Emma Peplow)  
Cristiana Senigaglia, *The Weimar National Assembly and its role in drawing up the new Constitution*  
Idir Ouahes, *Representative assemblies & Mandate politics in Syria & Lebanon 1920-26*  
Maria Manuela Tavares Ribeiro, *Parliamentarism and Anti-parliamentarism - The Voices of the Republicans 1910-1926*  
Maciej Wojtacki, *From parliamentary republic to the authoritarian state. Polish constitutional thought in the interwar period*

1.10 Lunch (Attlee Suite)  
1.15 – Guided tour of 'Women in Parliament' art exhibition (meet in Attlee Suite)  
Melanie Unwin  
Mari Takayanagi

2.10 SESSION 11: ROUND TABLE AND PANELS

**Session A: The influence of the British model**  
Ginevra Conti Odorisio, *The English Constitution in S.N.H. Linguet's 'Annales Politiques'*  
Agustín Bermúdez, *English parliamentary practice in the writers of Hispanic Cortes (16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> centuries)*  
Saverio Di Franco, *The construction and use of foundational constitutional documents in the Kingdom of Naples and England: a comparative perspective on the sense of the State (16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> centuries)*  
Sergey Kondratiev, *Constantine A. Kuznetzov (1883-1953) and the Beginning of Researching Pre-Revolutionary English Parliament in Russia*

**Session B: Rebuilding the British parliamentary system, 1831-1860**  
Rebekah Moore *Parliamentary Government and Temporary Accommodation, 1834-1852*  
Joseph Coohill, *Satire and the New Houses of Parliament*  
Edward Gillin, *The Science of Parliament: rebuilding Britain's government, 1834-1860*

Martin Spychal, *Constructing the reformed House of Commons: the 1831–2 English boundary commission and the 1832 Reform Act*

**Session C: Post-war Parliaments**

Pepijn Corduwener, *Conceptualizing democracy in an Age of transition. Comparing constitutional debates in post-war Western Europe*

Sandro Guerrieri, *An impossible mission? The European Parliament and the question of a European Constitution (1952-2005)*

Leonida Tedoldi, *The President of “Gobierno” and Parliament during the First Decades of Democratic Spain (1977-1989)*

Maria Claudia Drummond, *Technical bodies in parliaments: the case of the Legislative Advisory Board of the Federal Senate of Brazil*

4.00 Tea (Attlee Suite)

4.20 SESSION 12: ROUND TABLE AND PANELS

**Session A: Round Table IV: National projects** (Chair: Pasi Ihalainen)

Carla van Baalen

Andreas Schulz

Paul Seaward

**Session B: Parliaments, Estates and regional powers in Early modern Europe**

Dariusz Makitła, *Turning points in the development of the Polish Parliament during the 15th and 16th century*

Jolanta Choinska-Mika, *Parliaments and the Peripheries: State formation and Processes of Incorporation of Early Modern Masovia and Wales.*

Mateo Ballester Rodríguez, *Sovereignty and patriotism in the revolt of the Communities of Castile (1520-1521): a modern or a traditional rebellion?*

**Session C: Round table V: Women and the development of the Westminster Parliament, 1700-2000** (Chair: Melanie Unwin)

Emma Crewe

Jennie Davey

Ben Griffin

Sarah Richardson

Mari Takayanagi

6.00 – 7.00 Tours

- Palace of Westminster tour (meet in Attlee Suite)

7.00 – 10.30 RECEPTION AND CONFERENCE DINNER

Members' and Strangers' dining room, House of Commons

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