

## Interdisciplinary perspectives on European Public Action

Symposium on 10 and 11 June 2020

University of Strasbourg, MISHA

### CALL FOR PAPERS

To conclude the IdEx research programme "For a common culture of European public action" (2018-2020) at the University of Strasbourg, the research laboratories SAGE, DRES, BETA and E3S have organised a symposium entitled "Interdisciplinary Perspectives on European Public Action" to be held on 10 and 11 June 2020 in Strasbourg.

This call for papers is open to various disciplines in the humanities and social sciences (particularly Economics, Law, Sociology and Political Science) that develop an interdisciplinary perspective to analyse European public action and/or study the issues at play. We seek to bring together various disciplines in the social sciences to examine European public action in an original twofold approach.

The first original approach considers European public action from a broad perspective that is not limited to initiatives undertaken by the EU or the Council of Europe through their various legal instruments, but also takes into account the forms of cooperation between States and regions. We thus aim to shift questions of the Europeanisation of public action by institutional actors (local authorities, European institutions, etc.) or non-institutional actors (trade unions, associations and citizens' movements, NGOs, etc.) to the centre of discussions. In many domains, such as culture, sport, health, education and employment, the Community scale does not have any binding powers, but contributes all the same to the framing of national policies within a multi-level organisation in which the reproductive effects of comparative models between countries, the legitimising effects of *benchmarking*, and the importing effects that result from political and social power relations at a national level are intertwined.

The second original approach consists not so much in analysing a "solution" to a given "problem" but rather the conduct of public action through the study of the **actors** (experts, national and European administration officials, European social partners, national trade union and professional organisations, lobbyists, parliamentarians, etc.) invested in these processes, the **instruments** mobilised (legal provisions, financial resources, indicators, or forms of control and evaluation) within various **arenas** of decision-making, negotiation and/or cooperation.

## Guest Speakers

Andy Smith, Research Director in political science at the Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques (FNSP) and President of the Association Française de Science Politique (AFSP) at the University of Bordeaux.

Jean-Marc Daniel, Professor of Economics, ESCP Europe, Paris

Jean-Sylvestre Bergé, Professor of Law, University Côte d'Azur, CNRS GREDEG, IUF

**Submission procedure:** Papers should highlight the added value of an interdisciplinary approach to any European public policy issue and should be based on empirical data and/or fields.

One-page proposals in English or French should be submitted by email to [abarbier@unistra.fr](mailto:abarbier@unistra.fr). Submissions should mention: the paper title, the name(s) of the author(s), their affiliation, e-mail address, postal address and telephone number.

The authors of the selected proposals will be invited to present their paper at the symposium (20 min presentation). Presentations may be delivered in French or English.

## Scientific Committee:

BETA: Laurent Bach, Amélie Barbier-Gauchard, Francesco de Palma, Agathe Simon, Yann Thommen

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SAGE: Marine de Lassalle, Hélène Michel, Sébastien Michon

## Important Dates:

17 February 2020: Call for papers

24 April 2020: Deadline for proposal submission

4 May 2020: Notification of acceptance

5 June 2020: Deadline for written contributions