



European Union Centre of Excellence Lecture Series

“Stateness of a Non-State: ‘European’ Citizenship Practice Twenty Years On”

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12:00–1:00pm, Monday 17 March 2014, Sedgewick C168

Co-hosted with the Centre for Global Studies, *Global Talks*. Brown bag lunch.



This talk will focus on the effect of European integration on ‘stateness’. The motivation to think about the European Union (EU) with reference to stateness stems from the Kantian concept of ‘civilised’ conduct of state institutions. The EU has become particularly powerful through acquiring attributes of stateness while remaining a non-state, nonetheless. This is demonstrated with regard to the performance of its institutions in fundamental rights protection and constitutionalism. In the former field, the EU’s institutions protected European citizens vis-à-vis other international organisations, and in the latter the EU has been able to develop stable organising principles despite its political status of a ‘non-state’ and its legal status as an ‘international organisation’. One effect of European integration then, is that the EU represents the most established case of unbound constitutionalisation in the global realm.

Background readings:

*Making Sense of the New Geography of Citizenship: Fragmented Citizenship in the EU
Rescue Package For Fundamental Rights: Comments by Antje Wiener*

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