

## Winter Term 2018/19

### Specialisation Module Political Science 1 (CGS): Research Project Federalism, Decentralisation and Multi-Level Governance

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Fri 12:00 – 13:30 h

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First class 26 October 2018

This course aims at introducing participants into current research on the territorial organisation of the, mostly democratic, state. Ideally, participants develop their own research questions and designs on questions of federalism, decentralisation or multi-level governance while attending the course.

Students are expected to:

- attend sessions regularly
- actively contribute to classroom discussions (oral presentations, written questions on assigned readings, group work)
- complete assigned readings according to schedule
- hand in one research paper of about 15 pages or two research essays of about 7 to 8 pages in length on 10 March 2019 at the latest (late assignments will be penalized, unless prior arrangements are made!). You are free to hand in individual research papers or group research papers.

Office Hour:

Appointments can be arranged via email, André Kaiser ([André.Kaiser@uni-koeln.de](mailto:André.Kaiser@uni-koeln.de)), Kristina Gushchina ([kg@mpifg.de](mailto:kg@mpifg.de)).

Reading assignments:

A reader with the required texts will be made available to participants.

General readings:

León, Sandra and Pablo Beramendi (2015). Federalism, in: Jennifer Gandhi and Rubén Ruiz-Rufino (eds), *Routledge Handbook of Comparative Political Institutions*. London: Routledge, 209-225.

Rodden, Jonathan (2006). Federalism, in: Barry Weingast und Donald Wittman (Hg.), *Oxford Handbook of Political Economy*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 357-370.

### Schedule:

**26 October 2018      General Introduction: Why is there no unified theory of federalism?**

Bednar, Jenna (2005). Federalism as a Public Good. *Constitutional Political Economy* 16, 189-205.

[Kaiser, André (2012). Politiktheoretische Zugänge zum Föderalismus, in: Ines Härtel (ed.), *Handbuch Föderalismus – Föderalismus als demokratische Rechtsordnung und Rechtskultur in Deutschland, Europa und der Welt. Band 1: Grundlagen des Föderalismus und der deutsche Bundesstaat*, Heidelberg: Springer-Verlag, 165-178.]

**2 November 2018      Symmetric and Asymmetric Federalism**

Zuber, Christina Isabel (2011). Understanding the Multinational Game: Toward a Theory of Asymmetrical Federalism. *Comparative Political Studies*, 44(5), 546-571.

### **9 November 2018    Joint Federalism vs Dual Federalism**

Bolleyer, Nicole, and Lori Thorlakson (2012). Beyond Decentralization. The Comparative Study of Interdependence in Federal Systems. *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 42(4), 566-591.

### **16 November 2018    Federalism in Multiethnic and Multinational Societies**

Stepan, Alfred (1999). Federalism and Democracy: Beyond the US Model. *Journal of Democracy* 10, 19-34.

### **7 December 2018    Why Decentralization?**

Röth, Leonce, and André Kaiser (2018). Why Accommodate Minorities Asymmetrically? A Theory of Ideological Authority Insulation, *European Journal of Political Research*, published online: <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.1111/1475-6765.12301>.

Röth, Leonce, André Kaiser, Çağan Varol, and Uğur Sadioğlu (2016). Centre-Periphery Conflict and Ideological Distance in Turkey. *Swiss Political Science Review* 22(4), 585-607.

### **21 December 2018    Trends in Established Federal Systems**

Kaiser, André and Stephan Vogel (2017). Dynamic De/Centralization in Germany, 1949-2010, *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, published online: <https://doi.org/10.1093/publius/pjx054>.

[Dardanelli, Paolo, John Kincaid, Alan Fenna, André Kaiser, André Lecours, Ajay Kumar Singh, Sean Mueller and Stephan Vogel (2019). Dynamic De/Centralization in Federations: Comparative Conclusions. *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, forthcoming.]

Dardanelli, Paolo, John Kincaid, Alan Fenna, André Kaiser, André Lecours and Ajay Kumar Singh (2019). Conceptualizing, Measuring, and Theorizing Dynamic De/Centralization in Federations. *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, forthcoming.]

### **11 January 2019    The Regional Authority Index**

Hooghe, Liesbet, Gary Marks, Arjan H. Schakel, Sara Niedzwiecki, Sandi Chapman Osterkat, and Sarah Shair-Rosenfield (2016). *Measuring Regional Authority: A Postfunctionalist Theory of Governance*. Volume I, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1-25.

### **18 January 2019    Federalism as a Dynamic System I: Belgium**

Deschouwer, Kris and Min Reuchamps (2013). The Belgian Federation at a Crossroad. *Regional and Federal Studies* 23(3), 261-270.

### **25 January 2019    Federalism as a Dynamic System II: Spain**

Gemma Sala (2014). Federalism without Adjectives in Spain. *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 44(1), 109-134.

Tània Verge (2013). Party Strategies on Territorial Reform: State-wide Parties and the State of Autonomies in Spain. *West European Politics* 36(2), 317-337.

### **Block Seminar, 26 January 2019, 9:00-18:00 h**

#### **Dynamics of Quasi-Federalism: United Kingdom**

Jeffery, Charlie (2009). Devolution in the United Kingdom: Problems of a Piecemeal Approach to Constitutional Change. *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 39(2), 289–313.

#### **Federalism, Decentralization and Performance**

Biela, Jan, Annika Hennl and André Kaiser (2012). Combining Federalism and Decentralization. Comparative Case Studies on Regional Development Policies in Switzerland, Austria, Denmark and Ireland. *Comparative Political Studies* 45(4), 447-476.

Biela, Jan, Annika Hennl and André Kaiser (2013). Policy Making in Multilevel Systems. Federalism, Decentralisation, and Performance in the OECD Countries, Colchester: ECPR Press 1-32.

#### **Secession**

Kymlicka, Will (1998). Is Federalism a Viable Alternative to Secession?, in: Percy B. Lehning (ed.), *Theories of Secession*, London: Routledge, 109-148.

Massetti, Emanuele, and Arjan H. Schakel (2013). Between Autonomy and Secession. *Party Politics* 22(1), 59-79.

#### **Wrap Up**