

**ECPR GENERAL CONFERENCE
POTSDAM, 10-12 SEPTEMBER 2009**

**SECTION 55:
“THE QUALITY OF DEMOCRACY IN SOUTHERN EUROPE”**

Section Chair: Susannah Verney, University of Athens

Panel 1

**SOUTHERN EUROPEAN EXCEPTIONALISM AND ITALIAN POLITICS:
AN EXCEPTION TO THE END OF EXCEPTION?**

Session Time: Thursday, 10 September: 14.00-15.40

Chair: James L. Newell, University of Salford
Discussant: Odette Toemscu-Hatto, Sciences Po, Paris

“Italian Apples and Southern European Oranges? Exceptionalism, Orientalism and Facile Comparisons” Duncan McDonnell (Università degli studi di Torino) & Alfio Mastropaolo (Università degli studi di Torino),

“Southern European Exceptionalism End in contrast: EU Regional policy and sub-state institutionalisation in Southern Italy and Spain” Domenico Gullo (Istituto Italiano di Scienze Umane) & Jorge Tuñón (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)

“Quality of Bureaucracy: a Proposal of Analysis and an Application to the Italian Case” Maria Tullia Galanti (SUM - Istituto Italiano scienze umane)

“Stability and Quality of Political Leadership in Southern Europe” Gianfranco Pasquino (Università di Bologna) & Marco Valbruzzi

“The politics of non-accommodation: legislative coalitions and governance through emergency Decrees in Italy” Laurentiu Stinga, (European University Institute)

“Rupture, continuity or discontinuity in the Italian ministerial elite during the XX century” Goffredo Adinolfi (Centro de Investigação e Estudos de Sociologia (CIES))

Panel 2

KAKFA GOES SOUTHERN

CHAIRS: Daniela Piana and Romana Coman

“Political fragmentation and judicial activism: the impact of prosecutorial power on politics. A comparison of Italy, France and Spain” C. Guarnieri (Università di Bologna)

“Transitional justice: from political actions to political activism in Portugal”
Joao Paulo Dias

Panel 3

**LEADERSHIP AND POLITICAL PARTIES IN SOUTHERN EUROPEAN
REGIONS**

Session Time: Saturday, 12 September: 09.00-10.40

CHAIR: Antonio Robles Egea, University of Granada

“Leadership, Political Parties, and the Quality of Democracy in Andalusia”
Santiago Delgado Fernandez (University of Granada), Guadalupe Martínez & Rafael Vázquez,

“Leaders as regional makers in Southern Spain” Manuela Ortega Ruiz (University of Granada) & Francisco Javier Luque Castillo

Panel 4:

**TRENDS IN POLITICAL PARTICIPATION OF NON-NATIONAL
RESIDENTS IN SOUTHERN EUROPE DEMOCRACIES.**

Session Time: Saturday, 12 September: 11.00-12.40

CHAIR: Isabel Estrada Carvalhais, University of MINHO

DISCUSSANT: Marteen P. Vink (Universiteit Maastricht)

“Migrants and Political Citizenship within the Italian context” Ivan Pedrazzini (Università degli studi di Trento)

“Formal access to local political spaces: Immigrant Voters and Elected in Portugal Municipalities and Parishes” Carlos Elias Barbosa (Centro de Estudos Sociais)

“Political participation of non-national residents in Portugal” Isabel Costa Leite (Universidade de Fernando Pessoa)

“Brazilians and Cape-Verdeans in Portuguese Local Politics” Isabel Estrada Carvalhais (University of MINHO)

Tabled Paper

“Political challenges arising from migration related diversity in Greece” Ruby Gropas & Anna Triandafyllidou (both at University of Thrace and ELIAMEP, Athens)

Panel 5:

POLICY CHANGE AND REFORM EFFECTIVENESS IN SOUTHERN EUROPEAN DEMOCRACIES: EXPLAINING DOMESTIC REFORM PATHS UNDER VARIETIES OF CAPITALISM

Session Time: Saturday, 12 September: 14.00-15.40

CHAIR: Kevin Featherstone (London School Of Economics & Political Science)

CO-CHAIR: Dimitris Papadimitriou (University of Manchester)

“Labour market and welfare reform in Spain and Italy 1980-2006: the role of electoral politics” Kerstin Hamann (University of Central Florida) & John Kelly (University of London, Birkbeck College)

“Pension reform patterns in Southern Europe: The cases of Greece and Italy” Marina Angelaki (Panteion University of Social & Political Science, Athens)

“Internalising EU pressures in Cyprus: the Cypriot corporatist tradition and political sophistication amidst EU adaptation forces” Christina Ioannou (University of Nicosia) & Giorgos Kentas,

Tabled Papers

“Weakness or strength? Regulation of Utility Markets in Greece” Charalampos Koutalakis (University of Athens)

“Europeanization and the ‘Southern’ Model of Capitalism: Setting the Limits of Macro-economic and Structural Convergence” Spyros Blavoukos (Athens University of Economics and Business) & George Pagoulatos

Panel 6:

**INSTITUTIONAL PERFORMANCE AND DEMOCRATIC QUALITY IN
SOUTHERN EUROPE**

Session Time: Saturday, 12 September: 16.00-17.40

CHAIR: Susannah Verney (University of Athens)

“Political leadership, government performance, and democratic quality: The tale of Greece and Spain in the 1980s” Takis S. Pappas (University of Macedonia)

“The Europeanization of Cyprus’ National Parliament: Change, Continuity and Adaptation” Hara Parla & Kalliope Agapiou-Josephides (both at University of Cyprus)

“Dissatisfied societies: comparing Italy and Portugal” José M. Magone (Berlin School of Economics)

“The Role of Women's Organizations in the Democratization Process under the AKP Government in Turkey” Hürcan Asli Aksoy (Universität Tübingen),