

**29-30 April 2016**

**International conference on**

**“New Developments in Cabinet Coalition Research”**

**at the**

**ACADEMIA BELGICA** 

**29 April 10.30-12.30**

- Welcome word (*and coffee time*) by Bernie Grofman (University of California, Irvine) and Patrick Dumont (University of Luxembourg and Université catholique de Louvain)
- Alejandro Ecker and Thomas Meyer (University of Vienna) “Coalition Bargaining Duration in Multiparty Democracies”
- Kaare Strøm and Charles McClean (University of California, San Diego) "Minority Government Revisited"

**Discussants:**

Patrick Dumont (University of Luxembourg and Université catholique de Louvain); Bernie Grofman (University of California, Irvine)

**29 April 14.00-17.30 (*coffee break 15.30-16.00*)**

- Daniel Walther and Torbjörn Bergman (Umeå University) “Government Stability and the State”
- Petra Schleiter (St Hilda' College, University of Oxford) “A Typology of Early Government Terminations”
- Daniela Gianetti (University of Bologna) “The Influence of Bicameralism on Coalition Government Formation and Termination”
- Antti Pajala (University of Turku), Patrick Dumont (University of Luxembourg and Université catholique de Louvain), Bernie Grofman (University of California, Irvine) “The Pseudo Banzhaf Power Index and Coalition Formation”

**Discussants:**

Catherine De Vries (University of Oxford); Guillermo Owen (Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey)

30 April 10.00-13.00 (coffee break 10.45-11.15)

- Patrick Dumont (University of Luxembourg and Université catholique de Louvain), Hanna Bäck (University of Lund), Albert Falco-Gimeno (University of Barcelona), Indridi Indridason (University of California, Riverside) and Bernie Grofman (University of California, Irvine) “Power, Policy Saliency and Votes in Cabinet Coalition Research: A Research Agenda”

General discussion

- Wrap-up session

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- Further details:

1) Paper circulation and length of presentations:

We have a limited number of participants and ample time overall to present and discuss papers, but would like you to limit your presentation to 30 minutes at the most.

You can circulate your papers to the whole group so that general discussions are facilitated. If you prefer not to given the state of your paper/presentation, please send what you think is relevant to know about it to your discussants by Monday 25<sup>th</sup>.

2) Directions and other helpful information:

A. Reaching Academia Belgica

Academia Belgica in Rome in the Borghese Gardens, Via Omero, 8; +39-06-20398631.

On a large map:

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?ll=41.916521%2C12.479095&mpf=0&hl=en&ctz=-120&source=embed&spn=0.022354%2C0.036478&t=m&vpsrc=6&msa=0&z=14&ie=UTF8&mpa=0&mid=zlrIzZi1g7bM.ktYQAUrTYyls>

- From Fiumicino airport :
  - Direct train Fiumicino – Roma Termini “Leonardo Express”: 2 trains per her, lasts 31 minutes.
- From Ciampino airport:
  - Autobus to Roma Termini, lasts 40-50 minutes.

If in real need of a taxi from whichever airport direct to Academia Belgica (and are residing there): book with Taxi Cimarelli (tél. +39-06 523 10 100) as they have a special arrangement.

Beware: those of you staying at the Academia: late check-in may be complicated, so please let Patrick Dumont know your expected time of arrival (either by mail or +32 494 84 23 58) so that he can arrange things for you.

B. Reaching the Hilton Garden Inn

Hilton Garden Inn Rome Claridge, Viale Liegi 62; +39-06-845441.

Location and directions:

<http://hiltongardeninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/italy/hilton-garden-inn-rome-claridge-ROMRCGI/maps-directions/index.html>

### C. From Hilton Garden Hill to Academia Belgica

From the hotel, you will be able to get to the Belgian Academy directly by tram, with the tram stop more or less right outside the hotel, and stopping on the major street more or less directly opposite the Academy (though there will be a flight of stairs to walk up into that part of the Garden). It is also walkable, about 45 minutes or so, but you can choose to walk through the Borghese Gardens for much of the way, so it can be a very pleasant walk.

### D. Dinner on Friday 29th 7 PM:

Taverna Rossini Restaurant, Viale G. Rossini, 54, near the Hilton Garden Inn.

### E. Arriving on Thursday 28th:

Participants arriving on Thursday may meet at 7 PM at the Hilton Garden Inn and join us for an informal (not funded) dinner. You can reach Patrick (+32 494 84 23 58) either by phone or text to let us know you arrived safely if you do not to join, so that we can also communicate the latest relevant information in case there is any.