



## **COMPARATIVE REGIONALISM: STATE OF THE ART AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS**

Conference

Jointly organized by the Centre for the Study of Governance Innovation, University of Pretoria  
and the Research College "Transformative Power of Europe", Freie Universität Berlin

3-4 November 2016  
University of Pretoria, South Africa

### **Conference Programme**

#### **Wednesday 2 November 2016**

Arrival of Participants

17:30 Meeting in hotel lobby to walk to campus

18:00 Conference reception (Old College House, University of Pretoria)

#### **Thursday 3 November 2016**

8:30 Meeting in hotel lobby

9:00 Registration with tea and coffee

9:30 Greetings

Lorenzo Fioramonti and Frank Mattheis (GovInn, University of Pretoria)  
Tanja Börzel and Thomas Risse (Freie Universität Berlin)

10:00 – 12:00 **Panel 1: Regional perspectives**  
(Old College House, University of Pretoria)

Sub-Saharan Africa  
Christof Hartmann (University of Duisburg-Essen)

North Africa  
Morten Valbjørn (Aarhus University)

Discussants  
Marianne Camerer (University of Cape Town) and Samuel Oloruntoba (Thabo Mbeki African Leadership Institute, University of South Africa)

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 15:30 **Panel 2: Governance perspectives**  
(Old College House, University of Pretoria)

Regional Development Governance  
Stefano Palestini (European University Institute)

Regional Migration Governance  
Terri E. Givens (University of Texas, Austin)

Discussants  
Oladiran Bello (Good Governance Africa, Lagos) and Christopher Nshimbi (GovInn, University of Pretoria)

15:30 – 16:00 Tea/coffee

16:00 – 18:00 **Roundtable (with ESASSA –European Studies Association of Sub-Saharan Africa)**  
**Comparing regions: Europe and Africa**  
(Old College House, University of Pretoria)

Tanja Börzel (chair; Freie Universität Berlin)  
Oladiran Bello (Good Governance Africa, Lagos)  
Lorenzo Fioramonti (GovInn, University of Pretoria)  
Christof Hartmann (University of Duisburg-Essen)  
Sofia Moreira de Sousa (EU delegation to South Africa)

18:00 Shuttle from campus to dinner

18:30 Conference dinner at Fumo Restaurant, Groenkloof Plaza

**Friday 4 November 2016**

8:30 Meeting in hotel lobby

9:00 – 11:00 **Panel 3: Cross-cutting perspectives**

(Old College House, University of Pretoria)

Old, New and Comparative Regionalism

Fredrik Söderbaum (University of Gothenburg)

Regional Identities and Communities

Jeffrey T. Checkel (Simon Fraser University, Vancouver)

Discussants:

Anthony Bizos (University of Pretoria) and Vanessa Tang (University of KwaZulu-Natal)

11:00 – 11:30 Tea/coffee

11:30 – 13:00 **Panel 4: Overarching perspectives**

(Old College House, University of Pretoria)

Theories and the Diffusion of Regionalism

Tanja Börzel and Thomas Risse (Freie Universität Berlin)

Three Cheers for Comparative Regionalism

Tanja Börzel and Thomas Risse (Freie Universität Berlin)

Discussants:

Malte Brosig (University of the Witwatersrand) and Karen Smith (University of Cape Town)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 16:00

**Roundtable:**

***Interregionalism as a global governance feature: beyond North-South***

(Old College House, University of Pretoria)

Thomas Risse (chair; Freie Universität Berlin)

Frank Mattheis (GovInn, University of Pretoria)

Samuel Oloruntoba (Thabo Mbeki African Leadership Institute)

Fredrik Söderbaum (University of Gothenburg)

Vanessa Tang (University of KwaZulu-Natal)

16:00 – 16:15

Closing remarks and vote of thanks