

**11<sup>th</sup> Illinois EU Studies Conference:  
Community, Immunity, and the Limits of Mobility**

**April 15-16, 2021**

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To attend any portion of this virtual conference on April 15 and 16, please register here: <https://go.illinois.edu/EUStudiesConference2021>. Please note that the pre-conference events on April 14 will require separate registration. All times are in Central Daylight Time (CDT).

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14**

**Special Pre-Conference Events:**

<b>12:00 pm</b>	<a href="#"><b><u>Case Studies in the Making of the European Parliament and Parliamentarians: A Conversation with Rory Palmer</u></b></a>  Moderator: <b>Jonathan Larson</b> , Associate Director, European Union Center
<b>2:00 pm</b>	<a href="#"><b><u>The EU Economy and the Pandemic: Short-term Pain and Long-term Gain?</u></b></a>  A Jean Monnet in the U.S. Network Event with the EU Delegation
<b>3:00 pm</b>	<a href="#"><b><u>Fulbright Schuman Program: Research Opportunities for U.S. and EU Citizens</u></b></a>  <b>Erica Lutes</b> , Executive Director, Fulbright Program Brussels

**THURSDAY, APRIL 15**

**12:00 pm – 5:05 pm**

<b>12:00 – 1:00 pm</b>	<b>Refugees between Africa and Europe: Comparative Perspectives on Greece and Uganda</b>  Panelists: <b>Dimitris Parsanoglou</b> , Assistant Professor, University of the Aegean "(Not So) New Actors / New Configurations of the EU Border Regime: Control and Solidarity in Greek Refugee Camps Since the 2015-16 'Refugee Crisis'"  <b>Rocco Nuri</b> , Senior External Relations Officer, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees "The Impact of COVID-19 Lockdown Measures on Refugees in Uganda"  Moderator: <b>Emanuel Rota</b> , Director, European Union Center
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<p><b>1:15 – 2:15 pm</b></p>	<p><i>Co-sponsored with IFUSS (International Forum for U.S. Studies)</i></p> <p><b>Moving Dreams through Space and Time: Teaching U.S. Literature in Italy</b></p> <p>Panelists:  <b>Giorgio Mariani</b> (Sapienza Università' di Roma): From the Past to the Present</p> <p><b>Donatella Izzo</b> (Università' di Napoli "L'Orientale"): From the Present to the Future</p> <p>Moderator:  <b>Emanuel Rota</b>, Director, European Union Center</p>
<p><b>2:30 – 3:50 pm</b></p>	<p><b>Research Presentations: Increased Interconnectivities</b></p> <p>Presenters:  <b>Chryssie Scarlatos</b>, Middle School Teacher and PhD in Musicology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki  “The Teaching of Avant-garde Music: Threnody for the Victims of Hiroshima”</p> <p><b>Jelena Pokimica</b>, Graduate Student, Education, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  “Learning about Administrative Collaboration in the Context of a Strategic International”</p> <p><b>Carol Dimopoulos</b>, Adjunct Faculty, Business, SUNY-Empire State College  “In the Nick of Time: The Benefits of Limited Mobility in Addressing Overtourism in the European Union”</p> <p><b>Eda Derhemi</b>, Teaching Associate Professor, French &amp; Italian, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  “Linguistic Diversity in Europe and the Dystopian World of Endangerment”</p> <p>Chair:  <b>Carla Santos</b>, Professor, Recreation, Sport, and Tourism, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign</p>
<p><b>4:05 – 5:05 pm</b></p>	<p><b>Research Presentations: Community &amp; COVID</b></p> <p>Presenters:  <b>Lujun Guo</b>, Graduate Student, Germanic, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  “Goethe’s Das Märchen: A Myth of Individuals, Community and Internal Crisis”</p> <p><b>Cynthia Buckley</b>, Professor, Sociology, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, and <b>Nick Larson</b>, Undergraduate Student, Political Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  “Domestic Views of Returning Labor Migrants as a Source of COVID: Evidence from Eurasia”</p> <p><b>Sorin Nastasia</b>, Associate Professor, Communications, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville  “Policy and Politics Aspects of the COVID-19 Pandemic in the European Union”</p>

Chair:  
**Stephanie Hilger**, Professor, Germanic Languages & Literatures, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

**FRIDAY, APRIL 16**

**9:00 am – 5 pm**

<p><b>9:00 – 10:30 am</b></p>	<p><b>Research Presentations: Fringes</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <p><b>David Cleeton</b>, Professor, Economics, Illinois State University “The End of the Beginning of Brexit”</p> <p><b>Raymond Laureano-Ortiz</b>, Professor, International Relations &amp; Diplomacy, Centro de Estudios Avanzados de Puerto Rico y el Caribe “Historical Perspectives on Caribbean Paradiplomacy: US &amp; European Subnational Governments in the Region from Cold War to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”</p> <p><b>Sureyya Yigit</b>, Professor, Politics and International Relations, New Vision University “European Union’s Energy Security in the Far North: Arctic Rivalry”</p> <p><b>Yannis Karagiannis</b>, Associate Professor, International Relations, Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals, and <b>Duygu Dunbay</b>, Research Assistant, International Relations, Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals “The Counter-productive Nature of the EU’s Incentives Schemes: The Case of Turkish Democracy”</p> <p>Chair: <b>Xinyuan Dai</b>, Professor, Political Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign</p>
<p><b>1:15 – 2:00 pm</b></p>	<p><b>Research Presentations: Mass Movement/Placement</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <p><b>Angeliki Tsoukala</b>, Graduate Student, Architecture, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign “Mass Refugee Housing and Access to the City Through the Lens of Mobility Justice”</p> <p><b>Nicholas Zalewski</b>, Graduate Student, European Union Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign “Why Romanians Migrated En Masse to Italy”</p> <p>Chair: <b>Cynthia Buckley</b>, Professor, Sociology, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign</p>
<p><b>2:15 – 3:15 pm</b></p>	<p><b>Research Presentations: Shifting Borders, Shifting Identities</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <p><b>Emily Swisher</b>, Graduate Student, French &amp; Italian, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign</p>

	<p>“ERASMUS+: Language Policy, Identity Politics, and Student Mobility in a Post-Brexit Europe”</p> <p><b>Tamar Todria</b>, Graduate Student, European Studies, Institute for European Studies “Emerging EU Studies as a Field in Post-Soviet Georgia”</p> <p><b>Caleb Griffin</b>, Graduate Student, Political Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign “What does a European Regional Identity Entail &amp; How Geographically Flexible Is It?”</p> <p>Chair: <b>Daniel Maroun</b>, Director of Undergraduate Studies, French, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign</p>
<p><b>3:30 – 5 pm</b></p>	<p><b>Closing Roundtable: Next Directions for EU Studies</b></p> <p>Speakers: <b>Jae-Jae Spoon</b>, Professor of Political Science and Director of the European Studies Center, University of Pittsburgh <b>Nils Ringe</b>, Professor of Political Science, Jean Monnet Chair, and Director of the Center for European Studies and Jean Monnet EU Center of Excellence for Comparative Populism, University of Wisconsin-Madison <b>Felicia Naranjo Martinez</b>, Executive Director, Colorado European Union Center of Excellence, University of Colorado-Boulder</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Jonathan Larson</b>, Associate Director, European Union Center, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign</p> <p>Dr. Spoon and Dr. Ringe are winners of the 2020 Larry Neal Prize in EU Scholarship for their edited volume, <i>The European Union and Beyond: Multi-Level Governance, Institutions, and Policy-Making</i>.</p>

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