





Seminar

The Political System of the EU after the Crisis: Fit for Purpose?

Friday 5 june 2015 12.30 - 2.30 pm

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Over the past few years the European Union has experienced what is considered the worst crisis of its history. How did the strained EU political system respond to this crisis? The seminar will tackle this question by discussing three important contributions that aim to shed light on the outcomes of the crisis:



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Nereo Peñalver García is a European Union official currently working at the Foreign Affairs Committee of the European Parliament. Previously he served as adviser to European politicians such as Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament, and Josep Borrell, former President of the European Parliament.

Julian Priestley served as Secretary-General of the European Parliament from 1997 to 2007. He was previously Director for EU Budgetary Affairs and Internal Market legislation (1986-1989), Secretary-General for the Socialist Group of the European Parliament (1989-1994) and, between 1994 and 1997, he was the Head

of Office of the President of the European Parliament.

Together they wrote *The Making of a European President*, published by Palgrave Macmillan in 2015 and the policy paper "European political parties: Learning from 2014, Preparing for 2019" for the Jacques Delors Institute.

The discussion will be introduced by **Vivien A. Schmidt** (Jean Monnet Professor of European Integration, Boston University)

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