



Why Centralization and Decentralization in Federations?
A Comparative Analysis

Europe Workshop
The Experience of Germany and Switzerland

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Thursday 13 October 2016

19:30-22:00 Welcome dinner at **Brauhaus Pütz, Engelbertstraße 67, 50674 Köln**

Friday 14 October 2016

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Hörsaal 2,
Gottfried-Keller-Str. 6, 50931 Köln**

- 9:00-9:15 Introduction (**A. Kaiser** and **F. Knüpling**)
- 9:15-9:45 Project presentation (**P. Dardanelli**)
- 9:45-10:15 Germany academic presentation (**A. Kaiser** and **S. Vogel**)
- 10:15-11:00 Academic comments (**A. Eppler, F. Scharpf, H. Scheller**)
- 11:00-11:15 Tea/coffee
- 11:15-11:45 Practitioners' comments (**R. Herber** and **G. Milbradt**)
- 11:45-12:45 Roundtable discussion on Germany (chaired by **A. Fenna**)
- 12:45-13:45 Lunch
- 13:45-14:15 Switzerland academic presentation (**S. Mueller**)
- 14:15-15:00 Academic comments (**W. Linder, N. Schmitt, J.M. Schnabel**)
- 15:00-15:15 Practitioner comments (**W. Bussmann**)
- 15:15-15:30 Coffee/tea
- 15:30-16:30 Roundtable discussion on Switzerland (chaired by **A. Lecours**)
- 16:30-16:45 Concluding remarks (**A. Kaiser** and **F. Knüpling**)

List of participants

Bussmann, Werner – Formerly Federal Government, Switzerland
Dardanelli, Paolo – University of Kent, UK
Eppler, Annegret – University of Innsbruck, Austria
Fenna, Alan – Curtin University, Australia
Grishin, Nikolai – Astrakhan State University, Russia
Herber, Reinold – Formerly Federal Chancellery, Germany
Holtermann, Felix – Westdeutscher Rundfunk, Germany
Kaiser, André – University of Cologne, Germany
Knüpling, Felix – Forum of Federations, Canada
Lecours, André – University of Ottawa, Canada
Linder, Wolf – University of Berne, Switzerland
Milbradt, Georg – Formerly Government of Saxony, Germany
Mueller, Sean – University of Berne, Switzerland
Röth, Leonce – University of Cologne, Germany
Scharpf, Fritz – Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Germany
Scheller, Henrik – German Institute for Urban Affairs, Germany
Schmitt, Nicolas – University of Fribourg, Switzerland
Schnabel, Johanna Maria – University of Lausanne, Switzerland
Vogel, Stephan – University of Cologne, Germany