Webster International Relations Conference

QUO VADIS EUROPE?

WHERE IS EUROPE HEADING SIXTY YEARS AFTER THE SIGNATURE OF THE ROME TREATY ON THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY?

September 20, 2017
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Conference Venue:

Delegation of the European Union to the UN and other International Organizations in Geneva
Rue du Grand-Pré 64, Room E

The International Relations Program of Webster University Geneva, with the support and participation of the Permanent Mission of Italy in Geneva and the EU Delegation to the UN and Other International Organizations in Geneva, will organize a half-day conference on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the signing of the Rome Treaty creating the European Community.

This event is part of the numerous international conferences and seminars organized by Webster University since 1996 with the active support and participation of the Geneva-based international organizations and diplomatic community on major international political, economic and humanitarian issues.

The signing of the Rome Treaty was one of the principal stages and one of the most far-sighted acts in the history of European integration. Together with the development and consolidation of the Western Community, it has been one of the most impressive and successful examples of institutional innovation and community building among free and sovereign nations. This process that started in the second half of the 1940s has continued over the decades well into the 21st century.

As indicated in the title the principal questions to be addressed by the speakers will be where Europe is and ought to be going in the future, in order to maintain the results achieved so far and what is required to assure the peace, freedom and prosperity of its peoples in the decades to come.

The seminar is open to the diplomatic community, international organizations, students and the general public. Register here

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PROGRAM

WELCOME: Oreste Foppiani, Head of International Relations Program, Webster University, Geneva

INTRODUCTION: Maurizio Enrico Serra, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Italy, Geneva: The European Union and Multilateral Cooperation in Geneva

SESSION ONE

Otto Hieronymi, Professor of International Relations, Webster University, Geneva: Quo Vadis Europe? The Outlook for the European and Western Communities

Péter Akos Bod, Professor, Corvinus University, Budapest, Former President, Hungarian National Bank: Economic and Social Convergence in Europe in the Future

Francisco Rubio, Professor, former Legal Director, Médecins du Monde, Associate Judge at the National Court of Appeals for Asylum Seekers, Paris: The Future Role of Civil Society in Europe

DISCUSSION

COFFEE BREAK

SESSION TWO

Oreste Foppiani, Professor, Head of International Relations Program, Webster University, Geneva: The Future Security of Europe

Martino Lo Cascio, Professor, Università degli Studi di Roma Tor Vergata and Massimo Bagarani, Professor, Università Guglielmo Marconi, Roma, (joint paper): Europe, “Knowledge” Driven or Divided?

Michel Veuthey, Professor of International Law, Geneva, Vice-President, Institute of International Humanitarian Law, San Remo: The Challenge of Migration

Paola Lo Cascio, Adjunct Professor of Contemporary History, University of Barcelona: The Outlook for Spain and Catalonia

DISCUSSION

CONCLUDING COMMENTS

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