

Democratic institutions and future generations: an international workshop

PROGRAMME

Time: Thursday 10th May, 10.45–17.30

Venue: Centre for the Study of Democracy,
University of Westminster

There is growing recognition that democracies tend to privilege the short-term to the detriment of the interests of future generations. This workshop focuses on theoretical and practical developments that aim to ameliorate the drivers of short-termism and orientate democratic institutions to the protection of future generations.

The workshop is co-convened by the Centre for the Study of Democracy (CSD), the Foundation for Democracy and Sustainable Development (FDSD) and the Participation in Long-Term Decision-Making (PALO) project.

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The workshop will be based on five papers:

Simon Caney (Warwick):

Democracy and the Future: Exploring Some Mechanisms for Addressing Wrongful Short-Termism

Henrike Knappe (Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies, Potsdam):

Whose Future? Political Representation in Transnational Sustainability Politics

Michael Mackenzie (Pittsburgh):

Acting Through Time: Collective Action Among Non-Overlapping Generations

Maija Setälä (Turku):

The Politics of Non-Existence. The Representation of Future Generations in Democratic Deliberation

Graham Smith (Westminster):

What Role Participatory Governance in the Protection of Future Generations?

There will be an assumption that participants will have read the papers beforehand. Please contact Professor Graham Smith g.smith@westminster.ac.uk if you would like to participate in the workshop and receive copies of the papers.

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