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on

**THE SOVEREIGN DEBT CRISIS AND
CONSTITUTIONAL REFORMS IN GREECE**

15 & 16 October 2013

Goethe Institute
(14-16, Omirou str., Athens)



15:30-16:00: Registration**16:00-16:15: Introductory speech**

XENOPHON CONTIADES, Professor, University of Peloponnese, Centre for European Constitutional Law

"When and under what criteria should the constitution be revised?"

16:15 - 18:15 1st Session- Constitutional endurance and the amending procedureChairman

GEORGE SOTIRELIS, Professor, University of Athens

Speakers

WIM VOERMANS, Professor, University of Leiden

"What determines the endurance of national constitutions? Indicators for and patterns of extra-constitutionality"

LOTHAR MICHAEL, Professor, Heinrich Heine University of Düsseldorf

"The replacement of the Greek Constitution as an option"

NIKOS ALIVIZATOS, Professor, University of Athens

"Towards a less dramatic amending process"

KOSTAS CHRYSOGONOS, Professor, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

"Circumvention of the Constitution as a process of subtle constitutional change"

ALKMENE FOTIADOU, Dr. iur., Centre for European Constitutional Law

"The five models of constitutional change and the Greek conundrum"

18:15 - 18:30 Coffee Break

18:30 - 20:30 2nd Session- Checks and balances in parliamentary systems and constitutional reformChairman

GEORGE KATROUGALOS, Professor, University of Thrace

Speakers

IAN CRAM, Professor, University of Leeds

"The Executive, responsible government and parliamentary accountability - A UK perspective on the oversight of policy-making during economic crises"

GEORGE GERAPETRITIS, Ass. Professor, University of Athens

"Revising the Constitution in the direction of a balanced architecture: the passage from majoritarianism to rational parliamentarism"

FILIPPOS SPYROPOULOS, Professor, University of Athens

"Reform proposals: The Parliament, the Cabinet and the President of the Republic"

IOANNIS TASSOPOULOS, Ass. Professor, University of Athens

"Popular sovereignty and the decline of checks and balances in Greece"

16:00 - 18:00 3rd Session - Dilemmas with regard to the role of constitutional courtsChairman

ATHANASIOS RANTOS, Vice President of the Council of State

Speakers

JÖRG LUTHER, Professor, University of Piemonte Orientale "A. Avogadro"

"Constitutional courts in times of crisis (mis-)management"

SOPHIE BOYRON, Senior Lecturer, University of Birmingham

"Constitutional review in France and the U.K.: the comparative interest of anti-models"

SPYROS VLACHOPOULOS, Ass. Professor, University of Athens

"Judicial review of the allocation of powers by a Constitutional Court"

IOANNIS DROSOS, Professor, University of Athens

"Loves' Labours Lost. Fighting memoranda with obiter dicta"

HARIS TSIOLIOTIS, Ass. Professor, University of Peloponnese

"Constitutional claims and the establishment of a Constitutional Court in Greece"

18:00 - 18:30 Coffee Break

18:30 - 20:30 Round TableChairman

KOSTAS MAVRIAS, Professor Emeritus, University of Athens, President of the Scientific Council of the Parliament, President of the Association of Greek Constitutionalists, Honorary President of IACL

Speakers

PROKOPIS PAVLOPOULOS, MP, New Democracy, Professor, University of Athens

NIKOS KONSTANTOPOULOS, Attorney at Law, Former Leader of SYNASPISMOS

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