Technocracy and Democracy in Times of Financial Crisis

International workshop organized by Hubert Heinelt and Jens Steffek

TU Darmstadt, 6-7 March 2014

**Programme**

*Thursday, 6 March 2014*

Venue: TU Darmstadt, S3/20/18, Rundeturmstraße 10

14:00 Welcome / Introduction

14:15 – 15:45 Session I: Politics and Expertise

‘Accounting for the Crisis: between Expertise and Politics’
Sigrid Quack (University of Duisburg-Essen)

‘The EU Crisis and Accountability of Economic Expertise’
Cathrine Holst (ARENA/University of Oslo)

15:45 – 16:15 Coffee break

16:15 – 17:45 Session II: Democracy and the Rule of Experts

‘Rules, Discretion and Interventionism. Do Rules Favour Technocratic Tendencies while Discretion Goes Along with Democracy?’
Volker Caspari & Ingo Barens (TU Darmstadt)

‘Modernity, Rationality, and the De-Politicization of International Organizations’
Jens Steffek (TU Darmstadt)

18:15 - 19:45 Public keynote lecture

‘Democracy and Technocracy - the Dilemma of the European Central Bank’
Marcel Fratzscher (DIW, Berlin)

***Venue: Altes Maschinenhaus, S1/05/122***
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9:00 – 10:30 Session III: Crisis Governance in Europe (I)

‘The European Economic Constitution and Its Transformation through the Financial Crisis’
Christian Joerges (University of Bremen / Hertie School of Governance)

‘Changing Equilibria in the Institutions of the European Union: the Impact of the Financial Crisis’
Maurizio Cotta (University of Siena)

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 Session IV: Crisis Governance in Europe (II)

‘The New Obscurity: Informality, Intransparency and the Challenge of Allocating Responsibilities in the New European Economic Governance’
Michael Ioannidis (Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg)

‘Supra-national Technocracy and Zero Choice Democracy: The Greek Experience’
Nikos Hlepas (University of Athens)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 Session V: Crisis Governance in Europe (III)

‘Financial Crises and the Primacy of "Experts": Technocracy and Politicians in Portuguese Cabinets’
António Costa Pinto (University of Lisbon)

‘“The Rhenish Greeks”: Bailout Funds for Local Government in German Federal States’
Hubert Heinelt / Philipp Stolzenberg (TU Darmstadt)