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UPCOMING EVENTS

**BOZAR (Brussels), 27 April 2017: On Brexit, European identity, and the future of the EU**
Luuk van Middelaar and prominent British philosopher A.C. Grayling will challenge one another on the issues at the heart of our troubled times. The exchange will lead to an in-depth conversation on the future of Europe.

[More information](#)

**Antwerpen, 26 June 2017 - 7 July 2017: Summer school Europe: Diversity and Migration**
The demographic composition of Europe is changing and European cities are becoming increasingly diverse. In this interdisciplinary ten-day summer school co-organized by the Chair, international students are introduced into these issues by scholars from sociology, anthropology, political science, philosophy and history. The application deadline is still open.

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PAST EVENTS

**Louvain-la-Neuve, 15 February 2017: European identity**
The Chair hosted an international conference on The European identity: on what heritage, values or missions can we found this identity?, on Wednesday, 15 February 2017, in collaboration with the Paul-Henri Spaak seminars (Institute of European studies, UCLouvain). About 150 people attended throughout the day.
After the introductions given by Dana Samson and Luuk van Middelaar, a first panel discussed the roots and values of Europe. Chaired by Bernard Snow, the panel involved Chantal Delsol, Bernard Coulie and Dariusz Stola.
In the first keynote lecture, Sir Larry Siedentop gave insights into the Christian sources of liberal thought in Europe.

The second panel was dedicated to Catholic and Protestant positions. Sir Stephen Wall gave an overview of the roots of British Euroscepticism. Dr Jan De Volder gave an analysis of Europe's mission in the world as seen by Pope Francis, which was followed by a presentation by Matthias Krupa on Angela Merkel's values.
In the second keynote lecture, Philippe Herzog presented his project for a re-foundation of the European identity.

[More information](#) and [full report](#) of the conference.
NEWS ARTICLES & MEDIA APPEARANCES

60th anniversary of the Treaties of Rome
At the occasion of the Treaties of Rome 60th anniversary celebrations, Luuk van Middelaar published various articles on the EU's future.

> "L'Europe doit amorcer une triple conversion", Le Monde, 20 March 2017. (German translation: 'Mehr Streit wagen', Süddeutsche Zeitung; Spanish translation: 'La nueva Europa', La Vanguardia; Polish translation: 'Europa, zamknij Excela i wyjdź do nas', Gazeta Wyborcza; Dutch translation: 'Drievoudige cultuuromslag is Europa’s laatste strohalm', Volkskrant)
> ""L'Europe doit apprendre à improviser, protéger et contester"", [interview with Luuk van Middelaar], Jurek Kuczkiewicz, Le Soir, 24 March 2017.

Dutch elections and the future of Europe

Noel Clycq was interviewed by Werner Trio on Klara Radio, on the Dutch elections and the future of Europe in diversity: 'Nederland kiest een toekomst'.

TEACHING

Universiteit Antwerpen
Noel Clycq teaches two newly developed courses for the chair at the Faculty of Arts (UAntwerpen).
> The interdisciplinary master course 'Europe in Transformation: identities, values and diversity', focuses on the impact of migration and diversity on life in Europe, how countries manage diversity and which new forms of solidarity and collective identity can be found. Enrolment of about 25 students.
> The bachelor course 'Introduction into the research on European values' deals with the many data sources available on (European) value development, transmission and conflict in societal domains such as the family, education and integration policy (about 5, will be opened up to other disciplines).

He also co-teaches two interdisciplinary courses at the Faculty of Social Sciences: Anthropology (about 75) & Interdisciplinary perspectives on Migration and Integration (about 50).

Université catholique de Louvain
This semester, Luuk van Middelaar teaches two courses at the Institute of European Studies (UCLouvain).
> Taking place in the 2-year Master in European studies, the interdisciplinary seminar "Thinking Europe" focuses, this year, on the opposition in and to the European Union. About 30 students participate in the seminar.
> In collaboration with Prof. Anne-Sophie Gijis, the course "Pluralism and cultural diversity in Europe" analyses some key political and cultural movements from European history. This course is given in the Minor in European Studies for Bachelor students (about 90).

PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH

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