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FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, POLICY AND PRACTICE

III EUFINACCO WORKSHOP

University of Deusto in Bilbao (Spain)

31 January – 2 February 2018

Speakers

Hartmut ADEN, Berlin School of Economics and Law

Giacomo BENEDETTO, Jean Monnet Chair, Royal Holloway University London

Gabriele CIPRIANI, European Court of Auditors

Maaïke DAMEN-KOEDIJK, Tilburg University

Claudia GLOAZZO, Strathclyde University

Andreea HANCU BUDUI, Universitat de València

Justyna ŁACNY, Polish Academy of Sciences

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Wednesday 31 January (afternoon)

Garate Room

15:00 **Opening**

Gema Tomás

Dean of Deusto Law School

15:15 **Presentation of the EUFINACCO Network**

María-Luisa Sánchez

Co-founder and EUFINACCO coordinator

15:45 **FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND THE EUROPEAN COURT OF AUDITORS**

Chair: Paul Stephenson

Financial accountability in the broader framework of accountability studies
Hartmut Aden (Berlin School of Economics and Law)

The origin of the Statement of Assurance in 1993: the European Court of Auditors paying the price to become an institution
Gilberto Moggia (European Court of Auditors)

18:00 **RESEARCH AGENDAS AND NETWORK PROJECTS AHEAD**

Hartmut Aden

María-Luisa Sánchez-Barrueco

Paul Stephenson

19:30 Informal dinner

Thursday 1 February (morning)

Room 362

9:00 FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN PRACTICE

Chair: Hartmut Aden

The Challenge of Visibility of EU Revenue

Gabriele Cipriani (European Court of Auditors)

Do financial corrections make the European Union more accountable?

Justyna Łacny (Polish Academy of Sciences)

40 years of auditing the European Development Fund (1977-2017) – ECA methods and results

Andreea Hancu Budui (Universitat de Valencia)

11:15 Coffee break

11:45 LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE AUDIT OF STRUCTURAL FUNDS

Chair: Justyna Lacny

Financial instruments in Cohesion Policy: what implications for financial accountability in the EU?

Claudia Gloazzo (University of Strathclyde)

Accountability of Cohesion Policy in the Netherlands: is there (financial) accountability?

Maike Damen-Koedijk (Tilburg University)

13:45 Lunch
ESIDE Restaurant

Thursday 1 February (afternoon)

Room 362

15:00 SPECIFIC CHALLENGES AHEAD

Chair: María-Luisa Sánchez-Barrueco

Ensuring the Accountability of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI)

Giacomo Benedetto (RHUL)

The challenges of legislative scrutiny: securing impact from ECA special reports in the European Parliament's committee system

Paul Stephenson (Maastricht University)

Auditing EU external action: the challenges of consistency

Maria Luisa Sanchez-Barrueco (Deusto University)

17:30 Visit to the GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM

20:30 Conference Dinner

Friday 2 February (morning)

Room 362

9:00 LOIN DES YEUX, PRÈS DU COEUR

Presentation and feedback on selected chapters of the edited volume

The European Parliament's strategic involvement in the establishment of the European Social Fund prior to 1979 (Mechthild Herzog, University of Luxembourg)

The contribution of the European Ombudsman to financial accountability in the EU and the interplay between good administration and sound financial management (Nikos Vogiatzis, University of Liverpool)

Comparing the accountability powers of audit institutions in a European multilevel governance context (Anchrit Wille, Leiden University and Mark Bovens, Leiden University)

The evolution of the Structural Funds Control System over 25 years (1988-2013): a legal-institutionalist perspective (Antonio-Martín Porrás-Gomez, American University of Beirut)

The challenges of enhancing the efficiency of the protection and fight against fraud with the EU Funds: Bulgaria's experience since 2007 (Tatiana Houbenova-Delisivkova, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

The Contested Accountability of EU Cohesion Policy: Definitional and Empirical Challenges for the Post-2020 Policy Cycle (Laura Polverari, Strathclyde University)

Value for Money? The Financial Accountability of the European Stability Mechanism (Aneta Spendzharova, Maastricht University with David Howarth, Luxembourg University)

12:00 **Closing**

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