



## REPRESENTATION IN THE EU: ACTING MULTILEVEL DEMOCRACY

The project focuses on actors and processes of **multilevel democratic representation**. The topic of EU democratic **legitimacy and accountability** in the interplay amongst supranational integration, national sovereignty and local autonomy is in particular examined.



### QUESTIONS to start with...

*Why democracy in the EU is not delivering what people want? Are national politicians interested in EU issues? Is the EU losing support because EU policies are unable to solve the challenges of a globalized world? To what extent can EU crises and crisis management at the EU level be considered as opportunities?...*

### THEMATIC AREAS OF THE PROGRAMME

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- 1) Modes of democratic representation in the EU
  - 2) Elites' attitudes towards the EU and multilevel career patterns
  - 3) EU policy frames in parliamentary debates
  - 4) Mass publics' conceptions of the EU and European citizenship
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### INTERACTIVE TEACHING PROGRAMME

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Together with **LECTURES**, a number of **SEMINARS** and research **LAB** sessions (intensive courses) are organized:

- LABORATORY on National Parliaments and the EU
- LABORATORY on Elites' attitudes and behavior
- LABORATORY on Public opinion's survey data
- TUTORIAL SEMINAR: "Representation through the social media: Multilevel democracy via Twitter?"

**DURATION:** AA 2015-2018    **STAFF:** Professor, Experts, Politicians    **TARGET:** Master's & PhD students

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