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CALL FOR PAPERS

“TWENTY YEARS AFTER: PARLIAMENTARY DEMOCRACY AND PARLIAMENTARY REPRESENTATION IN POST-COMMUNIST EUROPE

7 – 8 MAY 2010, ALTES SCHLOSS DORNBURG (JENA / GERMANY)

20 years after the (re-)establishment of representative democracy in most of Central and Eastern Europe (CEE), the International Conference brings together scholars from Germany, CEE and Western Europe to discuss the development of parliamentary democracy and parliamentary representation in post-communist Europe. The conference is organized by the Collaborative Research Centre 580 at the Universities of Jena and Halle (SFB 580) in collaboration with the Working Group Democracy Studies of the German Political Science Association (DVPW). The conference has a broad scope, combining a stock-taking of previous scholarly work with perspectives for future research, inviting both theoretical and empirical approaches, and providing the space for findings from quantitative and qualitative research alike. The conference is organized in four successive panels:

Panels

Panel 1: Between Consolidation and Deformation: Paths of Post-Communist Polities

Panel 2: European Integration and the Development of Parliamentary Democracy in the Accession and Candidate Countries: Towards an Ever-Closer Union?

Panel 3: The Public and The Elites: Political Culture And its Impact on (Parliamentary) Politics Across Central Eastern Europe

Panel 4: Parliamentary Representation and MPs in Post-Communist Countries: Career-Seekers, Technocrats, and Episodic Politicians

Abstracts

Abstracts (2 pages) should indicate the structure of the paper, its theoretical impact, the main arguments to be presented, and in case of empirical papers the data base. Please send your abstract by electronic mail to both organizers

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Deadline for the submission of abstracts is 15 November 2009.

Participants & Funding

Researchers from Central and East European countries are strongly encouraged to deliver paper proposals. The organizers mostly welcome papers with a comparative approach which may also include comparisons with West European democracies. Paper-givers will be accommodated in hotels in downtown Jena during the conference. For participants from Central and East European countries the organizers will cover travel expenses up to a certain maximum amount.