

Max Weber Chair Conference 2012

# Confronting the Global Crisis

## The Role of Europe



April 19-20, 2012

New York University



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At the peak of the Eurozone crisis in fall of 2011, German Chancellor Angela Merkel contended that “if the Euro fails, Europe fails”. Diverging national interests and diverse concepts in solving the current crisis challenge the future of the European project. What is the significance of the crisis for the process of European integration? How can Europe best cope with the crisis? In the light of current economic and political challenges this conference will explore key issues such as the fate of economic governance, the growing diversity within European societies and relations of Europe to other parts of the world. Speakers from both sides of the Atlantic will address key features of the current crisis and discuss future challenges.

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## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

### **Thursday, April 19**

#### **6:00pm** WELCOME

*Martin Rauchbauer, Director, NYU Deutsches Haus  
Christiane Lemke, Max Weber Chair for German  
and European Politics at New York University*

#### **6:30pm** OPENING ADDRESS

*Ambassador Thomas Mayr-Harting,  
Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations*

#### **7:00pm** KEYNOTE SPEECH

*Professor Charles S. Maier, Harvard University:  
“Whose Crisis? Germany, Europe, and the Global Economic  
Transition”*

#### **8:00pm** RECEPTION AT DEUTSCHES HAUS

## **Friday, April 20**

**10:00-11:30am** PANEL I

### Transnational Governance and its Challenges

**Chair:** Christiane Lemke, Max Weber Chair for  
German and European Politics at New York University

**Speakers:**

*Peter A. Hall, Harvard University:*

*“European Economic Policies and Varieties of Capitalism”*

*Damian Chalmers, London School of Economics and Political Science  
(currently at the New York University Strauss Center):*

*“Fiscal Justice: The New Axis of European Integration”*

**11:30-12:00pm** COFFEE BREAK

**12:00-1:30pm** PANEL II

### Confronting Diversity: Europe as a Cultural and Political Space

**Chair:** Leah Haus, Vassar College

**Speakers:**

*Erik Bleich, Middlebury College:*

*“Beyond Liberalism: Europe and the Frictions of Diversity”*

*Martin Schain, New York University:*

*“Immigration Policy: Is There Anything We Can Learn from Europe?”*

**1:30-2:30pm** LUNCH

**2:30-4:00pm** PANEL III

### Confronting Conflicts: Europe as a “Civil Power”?

**Chair:** Diana Mincyte, Center for European and  
Mediterranean Studies at New York University

**Speakers:**

*Jutta Joachim, Leibniz University Hannover:*

*“Worlds Apart? Civil Society and the European Common Foreign,  
Security and Defence Policy”*

*Holger Moroff, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill:*

*“EU External Relations in Times of Crises”*

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