

Public lecture and inter-departmental workshop

**Breaking Male Dominance in the EU:
Mission Possible?**

Monday, 21 October 2013, 17:00
at Seminarraum „Alte Kapelle“ (Institut für Ethik und Recht in der Medizin),
Campus of the University, Hof 2.8, Spitalgasse 2-4, 1090 Vienna

Lecture: **Drude Dahlerup** (University of Stockholm)

**„Women's political representation and male dominance -
theoretical and conceptual challenges“**

Workshop: Recent examples of stagnation in women's political representation, as reported by D. Dahlerup for eight countries, challenge our notions of continuous progress towards gender equality. The European Union's role in prohibiting discrimination and establishing equality will be presented: EU directives re equal treatment, ECJ jurisprudence, recent controversies regarding women's representation on company boards, etc. We will also consider the real-world economic effects of equality legislation and make a comparison between the EU and the US.

Comments: Legal perspectives: **Elisabeth Holzleithner** (Faculty of Law, University of Vienna)

Political science perspectives: **Birgit Sauer** (Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Vienna)

Economic perspectives: **Oliver Fabel** (Dean, Faculty of Economics, Business and Statistics, University of Vienna)

Historical perspectives and the US: **Maria Mesner** (Faculty of Historical and Cultural Studies, University of Vienna)

Moderation: **Birgit Sauer** (Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Vienna)

Welcome: **Susanne Weigelin-Schwiedrzik**, Vice Rector for Research, University of Vienna (t.b.c.)

Gerda Falkner (Institute for European Integration Research (EIF) University of Vienna)

Registered and unregistered participants are welcome; we kindly ask for your registration at eif@univie.ac.at or +43 1 4277 22401.

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