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A GLOBAL DIALOGUE ON FEDERALISM

THEME VII – “DIVERSITY AND UNITY IN FEDERAL COUNTRIES”

Luis Moreno & César Colino

The Concept

This is the seventh in a series of themes developed under the Global Dialogue Program, a joint initiative of the Forum of Federations¹ and the International Association of Centres for Federal Studies (IACFS).² The general goal of the program is to bring together practitioners and scholars from a range of federal political systems to explore a selected aspect of federalism in a format that also produces publications as valuable resources for the practice, teaching, and study of federalism.

Theme Coordination

The coordinators of this theme are Luis Moreno (Spanish National Research Council)³ and César Colino (Spanish Distance Learning University).⁴

Countries

This theme will include the following countries as case studies: Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Ethiopia, Germany, India, Nigeria, Russia, Switzerland, Spain, and United States.

The General Process

The Forum of Federations and the IACFS have developed guidelines for conducting a project within the Global Dialogue. Key steps in the process are as follows:

- Each roundtable should involve 8-15 academics and practitioners who discuss the theme template on “Diversity and Unity in Federal Countries” (cf. separate booklet). This to help the Country Coordinator to write a chapter that reflects, not the author’s personal views, but rather consensus views of the country as well as acknowledgement of disagreements.
- A short booklet will be published summarizing the results of the roundtable for each country. Country coordinators will be asked to submit a 4-page article for the booklet 4 weeks after the country roundtable, i.e. by April 2008.
- Preparation of a draft chapter by each Country Coordinator, broadly reflecting the results of discussion in the country workshop.
- The International Roundtable, held in Madrid during June 2008, allows exploring the theory and practice of federalism in all the case-study countries, and provides the first opportunity to jointly consider the draft chapters across countries.
- Distribution of the discussed draft chapters to external reviewers for comment and final revisions in the light of the review, by July 2008.
- Publication (by McGill-Queen’s University Press) as a theme handbook. This handbook will comprise the country chapters and an introduction and conclusion written by the Theme Coordinators. The final manuscript should be submitted to the printers by December 2008, with a view to publication of the book in August 2009.

¹ <http://www.forumfed.org/>

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⁴ <http://www.uned.es/113016/ccolino.htm>

NATIONALES DISKUSSIONSFORUM “VIELFALT UND EINHEIT IN DER SCHWEIZ”

Organisation

Datum:	Freitag, 7 März 2008
Ort:	Institut für Föderalismus, Universität Freiburg
Moderatoren:	Prof. Maya Hertig Randall & Prof. Thomas Fleiner
Konferenzsprachen:	Deutsch, Französisch, Italienisch (<i>keine Übersetzung</i>)

Thematischer Rahmen

1. Vielfalt in der Schweiz – Verteilung, Stellung, Bedeutung und Auswirkung auf politische Strukturen
2. Schweizer Föderalismus – Mechanismus der Konfliktbewältigung, Herstellung von Legitimität und Bedingungen erfolgreicher Integration

Ablauf

9:00 – 9:15 Begrüssung & allg. Einführung (Moderatoren)

Morgensession: Sprachliche Diversität in der Schweiz

9:15 – 9:30 Prof. Maya Hertig Randall: Einführungsreferat

9:30 – 9:45 Eröffnung der Diskussion mit Statementrunde

9:45 – 10:30 Diskussion gem. thematischem Rahmen

10:30 – 10:45 *Kaffeepause*

Mittagsession: Religiöse Diversität in der Schweiz

10:45 – 11:00 Prof. Thomas Fleiner: Einführungsreferat

11:00 – 11:15 Eröffnung der Diskussion mit Statementrunde

11:15 – 12:00 Diskussion gem. thematischem Rahmen

12:00 – 14:00 *Mittagspause*

Nachmittagsession: „Zugewanderte“ Diversität in der Schweiz

14:00 – 14:15 Prof. Lidija Basta Fleiner: Einführungsreferat

14:15 – 14:30 Eröffnung der Diskussion mit Statementrunde

14:30 – 15:15 Diskussion gem. thematischem Rahmen

15:15 – 15:30 *Pause*

Schlussfolgerungen & Plenardiskussion

15:30 – 15:45 Zusammenfassung (Moderatoren)

15:45 – 16:30 Plenardiskussion

16:30 *Abschiedsapéro*

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Organisation

Date:	Vendredi, 7 mars 2008
Lieu:	Institut du fédéralisme, Université de Fribourg
Modérateurs:	Prof. Maya Hertig Randall & Prof. Thomas Fleiner
Langues:	Français, Allemand, Italien (<i>sans traduction</i>)

Questions de base

1. La diversité en Suisse – sa distribution, position, signification et son effet sur les structures politiques
2. Le fédéralisme Suisse –résolution de conflits, création de légitimité et conditions d’une intégration réussie

Déroulement

9:00 – 9:15 Ouverture & introduction générale (modérateurs)

Session du matin: la diversité linguistique en Suisse

9:15 – 9:30 Prof. Maya Hertig Randall: introduction

9:30 – 9:45 Ouverture de la discussion par des interventions individuelles

9:45 – 10:30 Discussion

10:30 – 10:45 *Pause café*

Session de midi: la diversité religieuse en Suisse

10:45 – 11:00 Prof. Thomas Fleiner: introduction

11:00 – 11:15 Ouverture de la discussion par des interventions individuelles

11:15 – 12:00 Discussion

12:00 – 14:00 *Pause de midi*

Session de l’après-midi: la diversité « immigrée » en Suisse

14:00 – 14:15 Prof. Lidija Basta Fleiner: introduction

14:15 – 14:30 Ouverture de la discussion par des interventions individuelles

14:30 – 15:15 Discussion

15:15 – 15:30 *Pause*

Conclusions & discussion finale

15:30 – 15:45 Synthèse (modérateurs)

15:45 – 16:30 Discussion finale

16:30 – *Apéritif*

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THE INSTITUTE OF FEDERALISM

The Institute of Federalism is part of the Faculty of Law of the University of Fribourg. It is composed of two operational departments: the National Centre and the International Research and Consulting Centre (IRCC). Besides its two operational departments, the Institute includes the Chair of Public Law, and a Library composed of over 100'000 entries.

The **IRCC** aims at contributing to the peaceful living together of people and communities within multicultural societies. The research we carry out, the partnerships we entertain, and the mutually enriching exchange of knowledge brings together theorists and practitioners. This principle is best embodied in the *Summer University* – an opportunity for young students and experienced civil servants to deepen their analytical skills. We are in close cooperation with the Forum of Federations, and have partners in China, the Philippines, Malawi and Sudan.

The **National Centre** is concerned with essential aspects of Swiss federalism, as well as with pertinent issues of cantonal and inter-cantonal law. The Analytical Department proposes advice and consulting, while the Documentation Department, amongst other things, created and maintains *Lexfind*¹, the collection of federal, cantonal and inter-cantonal law.

The **Chair of Public Law** facilitates the contact between the Institute, the University and the Faculty of Law. The Chair is integrated into the operational tasks of the Institute and provides the Institute with additional service and scholarship capacities. In carrying out some projects, the Chair works closely together with the responsible project managers of the respective operational departments.

The **Library** has an inter-departmental function. In the Institute's priority fields, such as federalism, decentralisation, rule of law, democracy, human and minority rights, nationalism, autonomy, and comparative constitutional and administrative law, the Library is an internationally leading institution.

¹ <http://www.lexfind.ch>