

## Conference on 'The future of the EU: Democracy under siege'

Norway House, Rue Archimède 17, 1000 Brussels

28 November 2018

08:30-09:00	Registration and coffee
09:00-09:15	<b>Welcome remarks</b>
	<b>Charles Grant</b> , Director, Centre for European Reform <b>Eirik Nestås Mathisen</b> , Minister Counsellor, Mission of Norway to the EU
09:15-09:45	<b>Keynote speech by Pierre Moscovici</b> , Commissioner for Economic & Financial Affairs, Taxation & Customs, European Commission
09:45-11:00	<b>Session 1: Is the EU the saviour of liberal democracy in Europe or its nemesis: Is populism on the rise despite the EU or because of it?</b>
	<b>Luis Garicano</b> , Vice-President, Alliance of Liberals & Democrats for Europe <b>Sandro Gozi</b> , Former Under Secretary for European Affairs, Italy <b>Isabell Hoffmann</b> , Senior Expert, Europe's Future Programme, Bertelsmann Stiftung <b>György Schöpflin</b> , Member, European Parliament Chair: <b>Heather Grabbe</b> , Director, Open Society European Policy Institute
11:00-11:30	Coffee break
11:30-12:45	<b>Session 2: Has the EU made Europe poorer since 2008?</b>
	<b>Agnès Bénassy-Quéré</b> , Professor, University of Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne <b>Maria Demertzis</b> , Deputy Director, Bruegel <b>Jeroen Dijsselbloem</b> , former President of the Eurogroup & former Minister of Finance, The Netherlands <b>Björn Döhring</b> , Head of Unit, Economic Situation, Forecasts, Business & Consumer Surveys, Directorate-General for Economic & Financial Affairs, European Commission Chair: <b>John Springford</b> , Deputy Director, Centre for European Reform
12:45-13:30	Lunch break
13:30-14:45	<b>Session 3: Technology and social media: Enemies or enablers of democracy in Europe?</b>
	<b>André Assarsson</b> , Founder & Chief Digital Officer, Miltton Labs <b>Elisabeth Braw</b> , Associate Fellow, Modern Deterrence Programme, Royal United Services Institute <b>John Frank</b> , Vice President EU Government Affairs, Microsoft EMEA <b>Merle Maigre</b> , Executive Vice President, Government Relations, CybExer Technologies Chair: <b>Camino Mortera-Martinez</b> , Senior Research Fellow, Centre for European Reform
14:45-15:00	<b>Closing remarks</b>
15:00	Conference ends

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