

## Workshop on ‘Legitimacy and Legitimation of Global Governance in Crisis’

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Hybrid event

Hosted by the Global Policy Institute and the School of Government and International Affairs, Durham University



The workshop will explore the implications of the increased politicisation and contestation of global shifts in power and policymaking, from national authorities to international organisations, which can be seen to be threatening to the liberal international order and multilateral structures in regional and world politics. Such politicisation and contestation are increasingly manifested in democratic societies, through the political emergence and electoral success of populist parties and leaders (of the right and left), heightened nationalist sentiment, and growing public mistrust of or hostility towards regional integration, globalisation, and immigration. In response, there is increasing pressure for international organisations to enhance legitimacy and put forward legitimisation practices including open participatory forms of decision making with engagement with multiple stakeholders. International organisations need to justify their role and scope – given perceptions of a lack of legitimacy, policy failures or inefficiencies, and a ‘liberal bias’ to their rules and policy-making – and to widen and deepen their legitimisation activities. Some of these activities consist of building engagement with constituents, for instance significant investment in public communication activities and institutional linkages with legislatures. These are costly activities for international organisations and highlight concerns that, increasingly, neither output legitimacy nor institutional legitimacy - due to their intergovernmental character – are sufficient. The workshop will serve as a space to devote time for close feedback on working papers and explore ideas in establishing a regular forum that brings together colleagues that focus on the future of legitimacy and accountability in global governance and contemporary challenges to the international order.

## LOCATION

The workshop will take place at the **Bishops Dining Room** in the [Durham Castle](#) and **online** for virtual participants via Zoom. The workshop is free to attend, but booking is necessary. Click [here](#) to book via the Eventbrite page.

## SESSION ORGANISATION

We will devote 45 minutes for each paper, which will include:

1. Brief presentation (no more than 10 minutes)
2. Discussant feedback (5-10 minutes)
3. Chair feedback (5 minutes)
4. General discussion

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## Programme

### Day 1: Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2022

**9:30-9:45 Arrival of Participants and Coffee/Tea**

**9:45-11:15 Session 1 Values, Ideology and Public Opinion**

Chair: Juraj Medzihorsky

9:45-10:30 Paper 1

**Inken von Borzyskowski**, Yoram Haftel and Felicity Vabulas: 'US Withdrawal from IOs: The View from Israel'

Discussant: Lisa Dellmuth

10:30-11:15 Paper 2

**Matthias Ecker-Ehrhardt**, Lisa Dellmuth, and Jonas Tallberg: 'The Missing Link: How Political Values Matter for Global Legitimacy Beliefs'

Discussant: Henning Schmidtke

**11:15-11:30 Coffee / Tea Break**

**11:30-13:00 Session 2: Legitimation: Discourse and Narratives**

Chair: Eva-Maria Nag

11:30-12:15 Paper 1

**Tobias Lenz** and **Henning Schmidtke**: 'The Sources of Discursive Legitimation in International Organizations'

Discussant: Martin Binder

12:15-13:00 Paper 2

**Sarah v. Billerbeck**: 'Narratives of Purpose: Self-Legitimation and Narrative Success in International Organizations'

Discussant: Charles Roger

**13:00-14:00 Buffet Lunch**

**14:00-15:30 Session 3: *Legitimacy and the Sub-national and Local Levels***

Chair: Patrick Kuhn

14:00-14:45 Paper 1

**Lisa Dellmuth:** 'Natural hazard and the legitimacy of international organizations'

Discussant: Alexandros Tokhi

14:45-15:30 Paper 2

**Martin Binder and Mirko Heinzel:** 'Peacekeeping affectedness and the local legitimacy of the United Nations'

Discussant: Farsan Ghassim

**15:30-15:45 Coffee / Tea Break**

**15:45-17:15 Session 4: *Institutional Linkages and Institutional Resilience***

Chair: Can Cinar

15:45-16:30 Paper 1

**Charles Roger:** 'Legitimizing Informal Organizations: How Inter-Institutional Linkages Can Compensate for Accountability and Effectiveness Gaps.'

Discussant: Alice Iannantuoni

16:30-17:15 Paper 2

**Benjamin Faude and Kenneth W. Abbott:** 'Does the System Work? Global Stresses and the Resilience of Global Governance'

Discussant: Jack Taggart

## Day 2: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022

### 9:00-11:15 Session 5 *State Compliance, Institutional Standards and the Role of Non-State Actors*

Chair: Anouk Rigterink

9:00-9:45 Paper 1

**Matthias Ecker-Erhardt, Soetkin Verhaegen** and Sigrid Quack: 'The role of nonstate actors for the legitimacy of global governance institutions'

Discussant: Jan Aart Scholte

9:45-10:30 Paper 2

**Simone Dietrich** and **Alice Iannantuoni**: 'Contestation and Consensus: Examining the role of the OECD DAC in forging global standards and best practices in international development.'

Discussant: Inken von Borzyskowski

10:30-11:15 Paper 3

**Alexandros Tokhi, Martin Binder** and Irem Ebetürk: 'The Effect of International Organization Design on Compliance: Evidence from a Survey Experiment'

Discussant: Tom Hunter

**11:15-11:30 Coffee / Tea Break**

### 11:30-13:00 Session 6 *Legitimacy and Stakeholders*

Chair: Kavi Joseph Abraham

11:30-12:15 Paper 1

**Hortense Jongen** and **Jan Aart Scholte**: 'Individual Sources of Legitimacy in Multistakeholder Global Governance: The Case of ICANN'

Discussant: Benjamin Faude

12:15-13:00 Paper 2

**Jack Taggart** and Sebastian Haug: 'De jure and de facto inclusivity in global governance: unpacking stakeholder inclusion in global development partnerships'

Discussant: Charles Roger

**13:00-14:00 Lunch**

**14:00-15:30 Session 7 *Legitimacy, Politicisation and Democratic Deficit***

Chair: Robert Schütze

**14:00-14:45 Paper 1**

**Kyriaki Nanou:** 'International authority, legitimacy and constraints on electoral democracy'

Discussant: Tobias Lenz

**14:45-15:30 Paper 2**

**Farsan Ghassim:** 'Perceptions of a global democratic deficit: An international survey experiment'

Discussant: Mirko Heinzl

**15:30-16:15 Paper 3**

**Tom Hunter** and Stefanie Walter: 'The Politicization of International Cooperation in Parliamentary Debates'

Discussant: Kyriaki Nanou

**16:15 Close of Workshop**

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