

# Political Organisations of Crossborder Minorities, June 15-16, 2021

Online Colloquium hosted by EURAC organised jointly by the Institute for Minority Rights (EURAC), [Centre for the Study of Ethnic Conflict](#) (Queens University Belfast), [IPSA RC14 Politics and Ethnicity](#), [IPSA RC28 Comparative Federalism and Multilevel Governance](#), [PSA Specialist Group Ethnopolitics](#) and the UACES CRN [Reimagining Territorial Politics in Times of Crisis](#)

## Day 1 – June 15

### 09:15 Welcome

TIMOFEY AGARIN, *QUB & EURAC Research*  
colloquium convenor and VERENA WISTHALER &  
ANDREA Carlà, *Eurac Research - Institute for  
Minority Rights*, host institution

### 09:30 – 11:15 panel 1

#### Representation via civil society and non- political organisations

Chair/Discussant: IRENEUSZ PAWEL KAROLEWSKI,  
*Universität Leipzig*

#### **The opportunities and perils of cross-border minority politics: being Belarusian in Poland, and being Polish in Belarus**

MR PETER VERMEERSCH, *KU Leuven*

#### **It's Not Just the Taking Part that Counts: 'Like Me' Perceptions Connect the Wider Public to Minipublics**

MR JAMIE POW, *Queen's University Belfast*

#### **Beyond kinship? Representing and including non-dominant communities in ethnically divided societies: evidences from South Tyrol, North Macedonia, and Bosnia Herzegovina.**

MS ARIANNA PIACENTINI, *University of Milan*  
**Polish ethnic minority NGO's in Lithuanian  
Civic Society: Role, Representation and  
Cooperation**

MS MONIKA FRÉJUTÉ-RAKAUSKIENĖ, *Institute of  
Sociology at the Lithuanian Centre for Social  
Sciences*

### 11:30 – 13:15 panel 2

#### Party based Representation

Chair/Discussant: JOHN HULSEY, *James  
Madison University*

#### **What Drives Horizontal and Vertical Diffusion of Regionalist Parties in Multi-Level Electoral Systems?**

MR ARJAN SCHAKEL, *University of Bergen*

#### **Transborder political parties: the Irish case**

MR JOHN COAKLEY, *Queen's University Belfast /  
University College Dublin*

#### **No return to the borders of the past? Cross- border nationalism and European integration in times of crises**

MR PATRICK UTZ, *University of Edinburgh*  
**Equals and Different? Regional Parties'  
Manifestos**

MR GUIDO PANZANO, *ULB*

### 13:30 – 15:15 panel 2

#### Party Politics in Local Setting

Chair/Discussant: VERENA WISTHALER, EURAC

#### **Elections and Power Shifts across Albanian cities in North Macedonia**

MS SHERRILL STROSCHER, *University College  
London*

#### **Cross-border minority threatened by demographic decline: Croats in Bosnia and Herzegovina between constituent nation and ethnic minority?**

MR PETR CERMAK, *Charles University*

#### **Do lower preference transfers assist moderate political parties in deeply divided societies? Evidence from local elections in Northern Ireland since 1973**

MR JACK ARMSTRONG, *Queen's University  
Belfast*

#### **Electing the Wrong Mayor? Minority candidate success in Romanian local elections**

MR ROBERT SATA, *CEU*

### 15:30 – 17:15 panel 3

#### Institutionalising Representation of

#### Crossborder Groups

Chair/Discussant: STEPHEN DEETS, *Babson  
College*

#### **Cross-border minority organizations as actors of secondary foreign policy**

MR MARTIN KLATT, *University of Southern  
Denmark*

#### **Russia's Soft Power Agenda and Minority Policymaking: The View from Latvia**

MS JENNIE SCHULZE, *Duquesne University*

#### **The Effect of the Polish Charter on Belarus- Polish Bilateral Relations**

MS HANNA VASILEVICH, *ICELDS*

#### **Saliency of ethnocultural agenda for segmental parties**

MR KAROLIS DAMBAUSKAS, *VDU*

**Day 2 – June 16**

**10:00 – 11:45 panel 4**

**Self-determination of crossborder groups**

Chair/Discussant: RYO NAKAI, *University of Kitakyushu*

**Minority Irredentism as a Form of Territorial Self-Determination: A Framework for Analysis**

MR IVAN LASKARIN, *University of Jena, Germany*

**Can self-determination be imposed?**

**Exposing the statist project in ‘self-determination’**

MS PFOKRELO KAPESA, *North East Christian University*

**Ethnopolitical mobilization within the non-territorial cultural autonomies of Central and South Eastern Europe**

MR BALÁZS DOBOS, *Institute for Minority Studies, Centre for Social Sciences (Budapest)*

**Kinship appeal in ethnic minority regional politics**

MR PATRICK UTZ, *University of Edinburgh*

**12:00 – 13:45 panel 5**

**Challenges of policymaking at the divided periphery**

Chair/Discussant: ANDREA CARLÀ, *EURAC*

**Policy-making in regional territorial autonomies during the COVID-19 pandemic: Border management**

MR HENRY JARRETT, *University of Exeter*

**The European Union and the Normalization of Relations Between Kosovo and Serbia**

MR DEJAN GUZINA, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

**A missed opportunity: how the failure of the pro-Kurdish movement weakened the Turkish democracy**

MR MAX-VALENTIN ROBERT, *Istanbul Bilgi University*

**The Relationship between Power-sharing and Conflict Resolution: Power-Sharing’s Success in Northern Ireland’s 1998 Good Friday Agreement**

MS CHLOE DOHERTY, *Canterbury Christ Church University*

**14:00 – 15:45 panel 6**

**Reconciling minority & state identities**

Chair/Discussant: tbc

**Minority Protection and Kin-State Engagement: Karta Polaka in Comparative Perspective**

MS ANDREEA UDREA, *University of Glasgow and RHUL* and DAVID SMITH, *University of Glasgow*

**Does Decentralization lead to State Capture in New Democracies? Evidence from the Western Balkans**

MR JOHN HULSEY, *James Madison University*

**50 years of the second Statute of Autonomy: kinship appeal of political organizations in consociational powersharing system**

MR ANDREA CARLÀ, *Eurac Research - Institute for Minority Rights*

**Agreeing to divide: decision making dynamics in confessional Lebanon**

MS NATALIA NAHAS C. MAIA CALFAT, *Universidade de São Paulo*

**15:45 – 16:15 Q&A and Roundup of the Project ‘Minority Participation and Representation in National Societies’**

TIMOFEY AGARIN, *Queen’s University Belfast & EURAC*

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