

**Assessing the Impact of Cabinet Decision Making on Public Policy**  
**8<sup>th</sup> July 2016, G23 Research and Development Centre, University of Kent**  
**Programme**

09:00	09:15	Welcome	
09:15	10:00	<b>Keynote Talk</b>	
		Despina Alexiadou- <i>University of Pittsburgh</i>	Who governs? Professional Politicians, Wall Street or the People?
10:00	10:15	Refreshments	
10:15	11:30	<b>Panel 1: Cabinet Processes and Economic and Fiscal Policy</b> Chair: Ed Morgan-Jones, University of Kent	
		Slava Mikhaylov- <i>University College London</i>	Intra-Cabinet Politics and Fiscal Governance in Times of Austerity (with Alexander Herzog)
		Farzad Vaziri- <i>University of Essex</i>	New Parties, Re-elected Governments, Coalitions and Budget Deficit
		Lucy Barnes- <i>University College London</i>	Finance Ministers in the Political Economy of Progressive Taxation
11:30	11:45	Refreshments	
11:45	13:05	<b>Panel 2: Policy and Cabinet Processes</b> Chair: Dee Goddard, University of Kent	
		Zac Greene- <i>University of Strathclyde</i>	How intra-party disagreement determines issue diversity in election manifestos
		Mark Winter- <i>Royal Holloway</i>	How does uncertainty about future votes effect decision making?
		Ed Morgan-Jones- <i>University of Kent</i>	Presidents, Assembly Dissolution and the Electoral Performance of Prime Ministers
13:05	14:00	Lunch Break (Room 108)	
14:00	15:30	<b>Panel 3: Exploring Policy Areas</b> Chair: Lucy Barnes, University College London	
		Theofanis Exadaktylos- <i>University of Surrey</i>	Decision-making in times of austerity: Does asking the people matter for policy implementation?
		Jane Christie- <i>University of Kent</i>	Supporting Executive Decision-Making in UK Government: Use of Multi-Methodology
		Dee Goddard- <i>University of Kent</i>	The Feminine Touch? The Effects of Appointing Women Ministers on Health Policy.
15:30	15:45	Refreshments	
15:45	17:30	<b>Business Meeting</b>	