



# WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

Thursday 25 June 2009  
Keele University  
Claus Moser Research Centre  
(Room CM0.12)

9:30-10:00 Registration and welcome

10:00-11:00 Session 1:  
Theory and methodology

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*Estimating parties' policy positions by using the  
'confrontational' approach: the advantages over the  
Comparative Manifestos Project*  
– Kostas Gemenis (Keele)

*'The lost Atlantis of objectivity': Concerns about the  
reliability of measures of party manifesto data*  
– Elias Dinas (EUI)

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-12:45 Session 2:  
Empirical findings from the 2004 elections  
to the European Parliament

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*The extreme Right in France: issues and problems  
in manifesto coding*  
– Sofia Vasilopoulou (LSE)  
& Nathalie Brack (ULB)

*Green parties in Central Europe: the cases of  
Austria and Germany*  
– Zoe Lefkofridi (Vienna)  
& Juan Casado Asensio (Vienna)

*The policy positions of parties in Great Britain and  
Northern Ireland*  
– Michalis Moutselos (Oxford),  
Kostas Gemenis (Keele)  
& Pollyanna Jones (Keele)

12:45-14:00 Lunch break

14:00-15:00 Session 3:  
Related approaches

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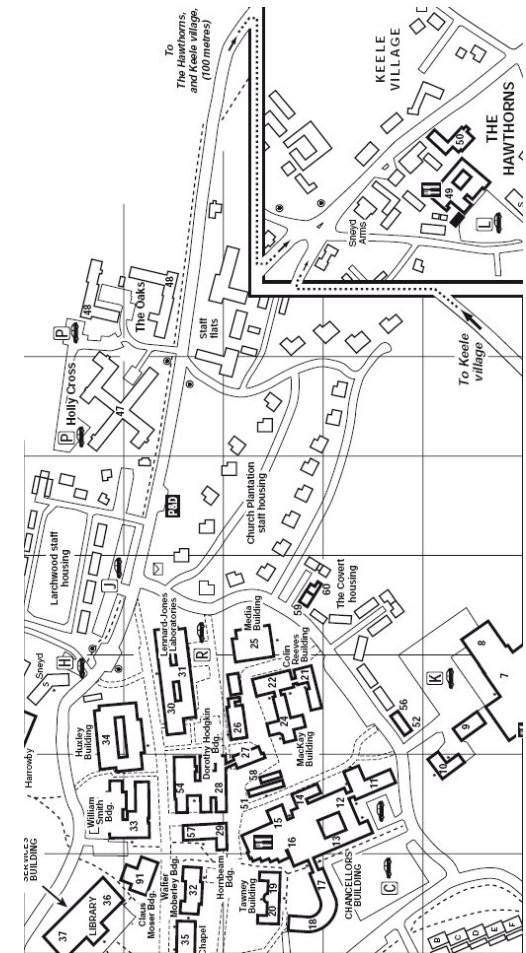
*Referenda and party representation: the case of the  
Dutch EU referendum*  
– Tom Louwse (Leiden)

*Obtaining sources and positioning parties: reflections  
from the EU Profiler Project*  
– Elisabeth Carter (Keele)  
& Gemma Loomes (Birmingham)

15:00-15:15 Coffee break

15:15-16:00 Roundtable discussion

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Workshop venue:  
Claus Moser Research Centre  
(number 91 on the map, Keele University)

Participants' accommodation:  
Keele Management Centre  
(number 50 on the map, Keele Village)

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