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Day 1 — Thursday, 29 June 2017

10:00 — 10:30  Registration and coffee
10:30 — 10:45  Opening remarks
Richard Bourke (QMUL)
10:45 — 12:30  Panel 1 — Classical and Renaissance Ideas of Empire and Conflict
Chair: Stephanie Conway (RHUL)
Samuel Sigere (UCL)
Caesar versus Scipio Metellus: Felicitas and the battle for the res publica
Adam Woodhouse (UCLA)
Disorder in a Foreign Body: Factional Conflict and Imperial Intervention in Machiavelli’s Political Thought
Daniel Allemann (Cambridge)
Slavery in the Fractured State of Castile: Luis de Molina on the Morisco Rebellion in Granada
12:30 — 13:15  Lunch
13:15 — 15:00  Panel 2 — Union and Disunion in Enlightenment Europe
Chair: Vanessa Lim (QMUL)
Ployjai Pintobang (Sussex)
The Break from the Ancients and Schism in the Empire: Jean-Louis Delolme (1740-1806)
Tom Pye (Cambridge)
Montesquieu, Feudal Property, and Anglo-Scottish Union
Jin-Woo Choi (Cambridge)
The Abbé de Saint-Pierre on Moral Psychology and the Union of Europe
15:00 — 15:05  Break
15:05 — 16:15  Panel 3 — Theories of German Division  
Chair: Shane Horwell (UCL)

Emily Steinhauer (QMUL)  
The People versus the State: Adorno’s Analysis of Populist Threats to Liberal Democracy

Joshua Smeltzer (Cambridge)  
Disjointed Sovereignties: Carl Schmitt and the Theory of Occupation in the Early Weimar Republic

16:15 — 16:30  Coffee

16:30 — 18:00  Keynote Lecture  
Chair: Georgios Varouxakis (QMUL)

Annabel Brett (Cambridge)  
The Ends of Sovereignty: ‘Morals’, Function and Divisibility in Grotius’s Account of Sovereign Power

18:00 — 19:00  Drinks reception

Day 2 — Friday, 30 June 2017

09:00 — 09:30  Coffee

09:30 — 11:15  Panel 4 — Theorising and Bridging Fissures in Revolutionary France  
Chair: Emily Steinhauer (QMUL)

Catherine Hulse (QMUL)  
Defining Treason in Light of Liberty: Justifying King-Killing in Revolutionary France

Kathleen McCrudden (Yale)  
‘The Tyranny of Privilege’: Economic Equality and the Transition to Political Modernity in the Work of Sophie de Grouchy

Adela Halo (QMUL)  
Governing Passions: Madame de Staël’s Constitutional Blueprint to End the French Revolution

11:15 — 11:30  Coffee
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| 11:30 — 13:15 | **Panel 5 — The Making of Italy’s Fractured Identity**  
|           | Chair: Conor Bollins (QMUL)                                          |
|           | **Alessandro De Arcangelis (UCL)**  
|           | The Question that Came from the South: Thematising the Fracture before the Unification, 1820-61 |
|           | **Maria Christina Marchi (St. Andrews)**  
|           | The Royal Factor: The Appropriation and Standardisation of Italianità |
|           | **George Newth (Bath)**  
|           | The anti-southernism of the MRAs and the Lega Nord. The making and breaking of the nation-state |
| 13:15 — 14:15 | Lunch                                                                |
| 14:15 — 15:30 | **Panel 6 — (Mending) Divisions in Postcolonial Political Thought**  
|           | Chair: Catherine Hulse (QMUL)                                        |
|           | **Chloé Kattar (Cambridge)**  
|           | Kamal Jumblatt: Druze Leader and Socialist Thinker in Lebanon         |
|           | **Tejas Parasher (Chicago)**  
|           | Social Difference and Constitutional Revolution in B. R. Ambedkar     |
| 15:30 — 16:00 | Coffee                                                               |
| 16:00 — 18:00 | Concluding Roundtable  
|           | Chair: Shiru Lim (UCL)                                               |
|           | **Valentina Arena (UCL)**  
|           | **Richard Bourke (QMUL)**                                            |
|           | **Nicola Miller (UCL)**                                              |
|           | **David Armitage (Harvard)**                                         |
|           | on ‘Fractured States in the History of Political Thought’             |
| 18:00     | Conference dinner for speakers                                        |