

# Europe in Crisis? Dispelling Myths about the EU

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### *Featured Speaker Biographies*

#### **Featured Speakers**

**Erica Edwards.** Erica Edwards is the Executive Director of the Center for European Studies, the European Union Center, and the Trans-Atlantic Masters Program. Prior to joining the Center for European Studies at UNC, Edwards was an Assistant Professor at the Institute for Advanced Studies in Vienna, Austria and a Postdoctoral Fellow in Multilevel Governance in the Political Science Department at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Edwards' research and teaching interested are in the fields of comparative politics, political parties and party systems, European integration, public opinion, and comparative welfare states. Edwards received her Ph.D. in Political Science from UNC at Chapel Hill and her M.A. from Collège d'Europe in Bruges, where she was a Fulbright Scholar. She also has a B.A. from University of Arkansas at Fayetteville.

**Liesbet Hooghe.** Liesbet Hooghe is the W.R. Kenan Distinguished Professor of Political Science at UNC at Chapel Hill. She was educated in Belgium, and held postdoctoral fellowships at Cornell University, the KU Leuven, and Nuffield (Oxford University). Before joining the UNC faculty in 2000 she taught at the University of Toronto. She is the past Chair of the European Politics and Society Section of APSA (2004-5), and of the European Union Studies Association (2007-9). Her interests lie in the European Union, multilevel governance, decentralization, international organization, political parties, elite studies, public opinion.

**Robert Jenkins.** Robert Jenkins is Director of the Center for Slavic, Eurasian, and East European Studies. His scholarly interests are in the areas of social and political change, political conflict, state building, civil society and the nonprofit sector, and education. He received his Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1987. Prior to joining the Center he was an independent consultant and researcher as well as a professor at Yale University. Dr. Jenkins has traveled widely through Eastern Europe and has lived in Budapest and Vienna.

**Gary Marks.** Gary Marks is Burton Craige Professor of Political Science at UNC at Chapel Hill. He was educated in England and received his Ph.D. from Stanford University. In 2010 he was awarded a Humboldt Research Prize for his contributions to political science. He co-founded the UNC Center for European Studies and EU Center of Excellence in 1994 and 1998, respectively, and served as Director until 2006. Marks has had fellowships and visiting professorships at the Free University of Amsterdam, the Free University of Berlin, the Hanse Wissenschaftskolleg, Pompeu Fabra, the Institute for Advanced Studies Vienna, Sciences Po, Konstanz University, and McMaster University among others. Currently Professor Marks has a five-year grant from the European Research Council for €2.5 million. His teaching and research are chiefly in

comparative politics and multilevel governance. He has published over 50 articles and books with 50 or more scholarly citations.

**Layna Mosley.** Layna Mosley is a Professor of Political Science at UNC at Chapel Hill. She has a Ph.D. from Duke University and a B.A. from Rollins College. Her research explores the impact of international investors on national policy choices in both developed and developing countries. She is the author of *Global Capital and National Governments* (Cambridge University Press, 2003) and *Labor Rights and Multinational Production* (Cambridge University Press 2011). Her articles have appeared in the *American Political Science Review*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *International Organization*, and *Review of International Political Economy*. Mosley's current research investigates the impact of foreign direct investors on workers' rights in developing nations, the politics of sovereign debt, and the role of the private sector in the global governance of financial markets.