



## 2014 SOG Conference What Makes Administrative Agencies Tick?

### Program

#### 5.1.2014

08:30 Registration opens

#### 09:30 Ph.D Workshop

Chair: Nissim Cohen (Haifa University),

Discussion: Dan Carpenter (Harvard University)  
Robert Henry Cox (University of South Carolina)  
Sharon Gilad (Hebrew University)

Saar Alon Barkat (Hebrew University), *Designing Universal Measures for Dimensional Publicness*

Guy Duer (Hebrew University), *Implementation: A Reputation-Based Account*

Yariv Sagi (Hebrew University), *Into the Black Box of Service Formation at the Individual Level: The Single Bureaucrat as Service Provider and Democracy Producer*

11:00 Morning Tea

#### 11:30 Session I: Questioning Agency Autonomy

Chair: Joel Aberbach (UCLA)

Discussant: Martin Lodge (LSE)

B. Guy Peters (University of Pittsburgh), *Toward Policy Coordination: Alternatives to Hierarchy*

Bert Rockman (Purdue University), *Agencies: What are They? And How Do They Reform? – An Essay on Influence and Autonomy*

Graham Wilson (Boston University), *Some are Born Autonomous, Others Achieve Autonomy and Yet Others Have Autonomy Thrust upon Them: Lesson from Central Banks for Theorizing about Autonomy*

13:00 Lunch

14:00 **Session II: Variation and Dynamics of Political Control**

Chair: Koen Verhoest (University of Antwerp & KULeuven)  
Discussant: Tobias Bach (University of Hanover)

Philippe Bezes (CNRS), Gerhard Hammerschmid (Hertie School of Governance), Gilles Jeannot (University of Paris East) and Vid Štimac (Hertie School of Governance), *Assessing Variations in Control and Autonomy in France and Germany. An Inter- and Intra-Organizational Perspective*

Christel Koop (King's College London) and Martin Lodge (LSE), *Legislative oversight over independent agencies: understanding the increase in assertiveness in the UK*

Xavier Fernández-Marín (ESADE Geo), Jacint Jordana (Universitat Pompeu Fabra - IBEI) and Andrea Bianculli (IBEI), *Administrative Traditions and Regulatory Agencies: Varieties of Accountability Mechanisms*

15:30 Afternoon Tea

16:00 **Session III: Agency Competition and Survival**

Chair: John Halligan (University of Canberra)  
Discussant: Peter B. Mortensen (Aarhus University)

Arjen Boin (Utrecht University), Celesta Kofman (Utrecht University), Jeroen Kuilman (Tilburg University), Sanneke Kuipers (Utrecht University) and Arjen van Witteloostuijn (Tilburg University), *Does Adaptation or Selection Affect the Survival of Public Organizations? An Empirical Analysis of US Federal Independent Agencies*

Alex Hirsch (Princeton University) and Michael M. Ting (Columbia University), *Influence Activities and Organizational Competition*

Kutsal Yesilkagit (Utrecht University), *There is More than Life and Death: A Competing Risks Approach to Agency Duration*

17:30 Welcome

Moshe Maor, Department of Political Science, Hebrew University  
Joel Aberbach, UCLA, SOG Co-Chair  
Vered Vinitzky-Seroussi, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Hebrew University  
Reuven Hazan, Head, Department of Political Science, Hebrew University

17:45 **Keynote Speech**

Chair: Bert Rockman (Perdue University)

Dan Carpenter (Harvard University), *Conceptual Power and the Cultural Capture of Regulators*

18:45 Gala Dinner

## 6.1.2014

08:30 Registration opens

### 09:00 **Session IV: Building Reputation via Expertise**

Chair: Graham Wilson (Boston University)

Discussant: Tom Christensen (University of Oslo)

Tobias Bach (University of Hanover), *How Do Independent Agencies Become Independent? The Use of "Scientization" to Cultivate De Facto Independence*

Simon Calmar Andersen (Aarhus University) and Donald P. Moynihan (University of Wisconsin-Madison), *Bureaucratic Investments in Expertise: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Field Trial*

Rebecca-Lea Korinek (WZB Berlin Social Science Center), *Comparing the Construction of Expert Reputation of Food Safety Agencies in Britain and in Germany*

Udi Sommer (Tel-Aviv University), *The Court-Pivot Dual Utility Model: Global and Local Considerations in the Judicial Settings of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

10:30 Morning Tea

### 11:00 **Session V: Managing Threats to Reputation and Autonomy**

Chair: Alison Wolf (King's College London)

Discussant: Donald Moynihan (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

Tom Christensen (University of Oslo) and Per Lægreid (University of Bergen), *Reputation Management in Times of Crisis: How the Police Handled the Norwegian Terrorist Attack in 2011*

Sharon Gilad (Hebrew University) and Saar Alon Barkat (Hebrew University), *A Comparison of Public and Private Organizations' Management of Mass Social Protest via Communications*

Moshe Maor (Hebrew University) and Raanan Sulitzeanu-Kenan (Hebrew University), *Assessing the Effects of Organizational Reputation on Public Agency Outputs*

Koen Verhoest (University of Antwerp & KU Leuven), Jan Boon (University of Antwerp) and Jan Wynen (KU Leuven), *Understanding Reputational Strategies of Public Sector Organizations*

12:30 Lunch

13:30 SOG Executive Meeting

### 15:00 **Session VI: Regulatory Legitimization Strategies**

Chair: Jacint Jordana (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

Discussant: Kutsal Yesilkagit (Utrecht University)

Cyril Benoit (Sciences Po, Bordeaux), *The Legitimization of Administrative Agencies as Institutional Change: Health Technology Assessment within the French and British Government of Pharmaceuticals*

Julien Etienne (LSE), *Bureaucratic Reputation and the Politics of Non-Compliance Detection*

Eran Feitelson (Hebrew University), *Substantive, Political and Discursive Responses: The Israeli Planning Administration under Fire*

Alon Peled (Hebrew University), *Hugging Information, Branding Information: The Datasets Release Strategies of American Federal Agencies*

16:30 Afternoon Tea

17:00 **Session VII: Intra-Agency Dynamics and Blame Avoidance**

Chair: Philippe Bezes (CNRS)

Discussant: Sharon Gilad (Hebrew University)

Alison Wolf (King's College London), *Statute and Consultation: A Pair of Double-Edged Swords*

Markus Hinterleitner (University of Bern) and Fritz Sager (University of Bern), *Avoiding Blame: A Comprehensive Framework and the Australian Home Insulation Program Fiasco*

18:00 Dinner

19:20 Meeting in the Hotel Lobby

19:30 Jerusalem at Night: Guided Bus Tour

## 7.1.2014

09:00 Registration opens

### 09:30 **Session VIII: Balancing Agency Preferences in Complex Environments**

Chair: Colin Campbell (University of British Columbia)

Discussant: Shlomo Mizrahi (Ben-Gurion University)

Asa Maron (Hebrew University), *Bureaucratic Strategies and the Architecture of Austerity: Intra-State Coalitions, Autonomy Struggles and the Unequal Structure of Welfare Reform*

Russell W. Mills (Bowling Green State University), Niki Kalaf-Hughes (Bowling Green State University), Jason A. MacDonald (West Virginia University), *The Effect of Agency Policy Preferences and Congressional Letter-Marking on the Allocation of Distributive Policy Benefits: Sequestration and the Federal Aviation Administration's Federal Contract Tower Program*

Lisa Wewerka (Central European University), *Conflicting Policy Preferences and Potential Causes of Priority Setting within Domestic Anti-discrimination Bodies in Europe*

11:00 Morning Tea

### 11:30 **Session IX: Explaining the Intended and Unintended Consequences of Management Reforms**

Chair: Michael M. Ting (Columbia University)

Discussant: Per Lægreid (University of Bergen)

John Halligan (University of Canberra), *Dysfunctions in Public Management Despite Three Decades of Reform: Exploring Explanations through the Anglophone Systems*

Shlomo Mizrahi (Ben-Gurion University), *Performance Management and Organizational Performance: Structural versus Behavioral-Attitudinal Explanations*

Peter B. Mortensen (Aarhus University), *Blame Avoidance and Public Management Reforms: The Neglected Side in Evaluations of Reform*

13:00 Lunch

### 14:00 **Session X: Bureaucratic Responses to Citizen's Non-Compliance**

Chair: Sanneke Kuipers (Utrecht University)

Discussant: Julien Etienne (LSE)

Nissim Cohen (Haifa University), *Informal Payments for Healthcare: The Phenomenon and Its Context*

Anat Gofen (Hebrew University), *The third law of policy motion: Patterns of governmental response to policy noncompliance*

15:00 Afternoon Tea

15:30 **Closing Keynote Speech**

Chair: Guy Peters (University of Pittsburgh)

Donald Moynihan (University of Wisconsin-Madison), *Administrative Burden: Framing Citizen-State Interactions in the Study of Governance*