



PATHWAYS TO LEGITIMACY?

THE FUTURE OF GLOBAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNANCE

CSGR/GARNET Conference

Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of CSGR and the 2nd Annual Meeting of the GARNET network

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To mark, and celebrate, its first decade of path-breaking work the Centre for the Study of Globalisation and Regionalisation (CSGR) is convening a major international conference on building legitimate authority in global and regional governance in cooperation with GARNET, the EU-funded Network of Excellence on Global Governance, Regionalisation and Regulation: The Role of the EU. The more globalised and regionalised world of the twenty-first century clearly needs substantial elements of global and regional regulation. However, shortfalls in the legitimacy of these institutions have become ever more apparent, to the point even of challenging their long-term viability.

CSGR and GARNET therefore invite friends old and new to a searching, international, innovative exploration of how global and regional governance might be made more legitimate. How should we conceive of legitimacy when it comes to regulation beyond the state? What types of indicators and measures could allow us to assess the legitimacy of global and regional authorities? What sorts of institutional reforms could promote greater legitimacy in global and regional governance agencies? What kinds of political campaigns and strategies (for example, via civil society groups, corporate responsibility, courts, mass media, parliaments, parties, etc.) could achieve more legitimate global and regional arrangements?

The CSGR/GARNET Conference will explore these questions and more in relation to intergovernmental bodies (e.g. EAC, EU, IFIs, MERCOSUR, UN), transgovernmental arrangements (e.g. G8, Nuclear Suppliers Group), interregional and regional frameworks (e.g. ASEM, ASEAN+3), and private global and regional regulation (e.g. fair trade schemes, ICANN). Papers are invited on problems of

legitimate global and regional governance as they relate *inter alia* to issues of communications, development, environment, finance, gender, health, inequality, investment, migration, security, social and cultural change and trade.

As ever in CSGR and GARNET events, contributions are invited from multiple disciplines, including Business Studies, Economics, Geography, History, International Relations, Law, Philosophy, Politics, and Sociology. Participation is welcomed from all continents and from practitioners in official, civil society and business circles alongside academic researchers.

Confirmed conference keynote speakers include: Robert Keohane, Professor of Political Science at Princeton University (on 'The Legitimacy of Global Governance Institutions'); Kishore Mahbubani, Dean of the Lee Kwan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore; (on 'Can Asia Save Globalisation?'); and Patrick O'Brien, Professor of Economic History at the London School of Economics (on 'Is There a History of Global Governance before American Hegemony?').

Please submit paper and panel abstracts (maximum 300 words) together with full contact details to CSGRgarnet@warwick.ac.uk by 30 April 2007. Conference support funds may be available for some paper presenters. Please indicate in your submission whether you wish to be considered for such support.

Some conference papers may be invited for publication in the CSGR/Routledge 'Globalisation' series or the GARNET/Routledge 'Europe in The World' series.

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