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14.00-14.30 Welcoming - Coffee & Tea

14.30 Introduction Federico Fabbrini, DCU Brexit Institute & Princeton University and Christy Ann Petit, DCU Brexit Institute

14.35-14.45 Welcome Remarks by **Barbara Nolan**, Head of the European Commission Representation

14.45-16.15 Panel 1 - NGEU framework, fiscal implications, and its implementation

Chair: Federico Fabbrini, DCU Brexit Institute & Princeton University

Ana Belén Macho Pérez, Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona - The transformation of the European Union's public finances post-NGEU Discussant: Niall Moran

Fabian Amtenbrink, Erasmus University, Rotterdam - Towards a robust and permanent shock absorption capacity for the EU: economic and political rational, legal constraints, and important lessons to be learned from SURE and NGEU Discussant: **Paul Dermine**

Stefania Baroncelli, Free University of Bozen, Bolzano - The Italian National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP): a long-term reduction in asymmetries? Discussant: **Anna Machura-Urbaniak**

16.15-16.30 Coffee Break

16.30-18.00 Panel 2 - NGEU and resources in the green & digital transition and energy crisis

Chair: Derek Hand, Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, DCU

Edoardo Celeste, DCU and **Goran Dominioni**, DCU - Reconciling the EU Twin Transitions in Times of War and Energy Crisis Discussant: **Ana Belén Macho Pérez**

Rosalba Famà, Bocconi University - REPower EU: Next Generation EU's architecture beyond the pandemic Discussant: Goran Dominioni

Nuno Albuquerque Matos, Universidade Católica Portuguesa - Next Generation EU and the balancing of economic union through Horizontalisation Discussant: Fabian Amtenbrink PROGRAMME

Friday 20 January

8.30 - 17.00

8.30-9.00 Welcoming - Coffee & Tea

9.00-11.00 Panel 3 - NGEU: governance and institutions

Chair: Ken McDonagh, Head of the School of Law and Government, DCU

Laurent Pech, UCD - European judges v. Council (Poland's Recovery Plan): Preventing EU institutions from treating ECJ rulings as bargaining chips Discussant: Niels Kirst

Maria Patrin, University of Florence - Governance by funding: NGEU, solidarity and the EU institutional balance Discussant: Ana Bobić

Alastair Maclver, European Parliament - From Cooperative to Coercive Federalism? The Legislative Function under Next Generation EU and the Federal Genus of Union Law Discussant: Ian Cooper

Pier Mario Lupinu, University of Luxembourg & Roma Tre University and Anna Machura-Urbaniak, University of Luxembourg - The Next Generation EU (NGEU) as a catalyst for the promotion of the international role of the euro Discussant: Nuno Albuquerque Matos

11.00-11.30 Break

11.30-13.30 Panel 4 - NGEU: accountability and conditionality

Chair: Sarah Léonard, DCU

Ana Bobić, Court of Justice of the EU and Paul Dermine, ULB - What accountability for the EU's new fiscal capacity under NGEU? Discussant: Alastair Maclver

Ian Cooper, DCU - Democratic Accountability of Post-Covid Economic Governance in the EU: The New Rule of Law Conditionality Regime Discussant: Maria Patrin

Niall Moran, DCU - The evolution of conditionality in EU financial assistance under the Recovery and Resilience Facility Discussant: **Pier Mario Lupinu**

Vasiliki Yiatrou, EUI - The Good National Judge: How Justice Reforms under the Conditionality of NextGenerationEU May Affect Consumer Protection Enforcement Discussant: Rosalba Famà

13.30-14.30 Light Lunch

14.30-16.00 Roundtable Debate **Billy Kelleher MEP**, followed by Q&As

Chair: Christy Ann Petit, DCU & DCU Brexit Institute

16.00-16.30 Conclusions

What is the **REBUILD** Centre?

The Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence REBUILD ('Recovery of Europe, Budget of the Union: Integration, Law & Democracy') is a project set up in 2021 by the DCU Brexit Institute, funded under the EU Erasmus+ programme, and led by Professor Federico Fabbrini. The aim of REBUILD is to examine in depth the innovative €750bn Next Generation EU (NGEU) Recovery Fund, put together by the EU institutions and the member states to respond to the devastating socio-economic consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic.

REBUILD, which is the first Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence at DCU, and the first project of its kind in Europe, is designed to examine NGEU, focusing on its governance, values and funding, and exploring the significance of this development on the process of European integration.
The project builds on the international network of the DCU Brexit Institute and draws on the unique interdisciplinary expertise of DCU's staff in law, politics and political economy. As such, REBUILD aims to be an innovative hub of research excellence, providing thought leadership in this field, including to policy-makers and business leaders.



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