

## **Margins for Manoeuvre: the influence of small states on Cold War dynamics**

Workshop 13–15 December 2017, Utrecht University, Drift 23, 013

### Preliminary programme

#### **Wednesday**

Dinner and informal discussions (time and place yet to be decided)

#### **Thursday**

- 9–10 Introduction (Laurien & Susanna)  
Why a focus on the margins for manoeuvre of small states in the Cold War? On New Cold War history (Laurien) & on the theoretical discussion of the power of small states (Susanna).  
Round of introductions
- 10–12 **Multilateral settings as a window of opportunity for small states**  
Ten-minute roundtable presentations followed by fifteen-minute discussions
- Angela Romano (European University Institute, Florence): *Multilateralism as small and medium sized powers' tool to challenge the superpowers' Cold War straitjacket*
- Aryo Makko (University of Stockholm): *Small states, alliances and the Cold War: Sweden and Norway in the CSCE*
- Trineke Palm (Utrecht University): *The Benelux and the European Defence Community (1950-1954)*
- Marloes Beers (Utrecht University): *The EU and energy?*
- Coffee break at about 11
- 12–12.50 General discussion on the morning's theme
- 12.50–14 walk & lunch on location in Utrecht
- 14–16 **The diversity of small state strategies under the influence of endogenous and exogenous factors**  
Ten-minute roundtable presentations followed by fifteen-minute discussions
- Elitza Stanoeva (European University Institute, Florence): *Interests and Opportunities in Small-State Diplomacy during the Cold War: Comparing Bulgaria's Bilateral Relations with Denmark and West Germany in Light of the 1968 Crisis*

Lorena de Vita (Utrecht University): *Andreotti, Craxi and the PLO: Making It(aly) Big by Siding with Small Parties*

Johanna Rainio-Niemi (University of Turku / Helsinki): *Finlandized between East and West: Finland in the Cold War* (together with Suvi Kansikas)

Cristina Blanco Sio-Lopez: *Projecting the Margins: Spain's Cold War Experience of Transition and EC Accession as Integration Model Heritage?*

(Frank, who will participate in the book but not the workshop, has also been placed under this theme with *Unravelling the Belgian Colonial Ideology: The Belgian Civilizing Mission in a Comparative Perspective (1955-60)*)

16.00 break

16.30–17.30 General discussion on the afternoon's theme

Dinner & informal discussions

## **Friday**

9–11 **Small state agendas splitting the Cold War frame**

Ten-minute roundtable presentations followed by fifteen-minute discussions

Eirini Karamouzi (University of Sheffield), *Breaking down Cold War Barriers: Greece's policy of peace during the Euromissile crisis, 1981-1986* (via Skype)

Stefanie Massink (Utrecht University), *A critical ally: The Netherlands, Franco Spain and NATO, 1949 - 1975*

Corina Mavrodin (London School of Economics and Political Science): *The roots of Romania's de-satellization process*

Suvi Kansikas (University of Helsinki): *Finlandized between East and West: Finland in the Cold War* (together with Johanna Rainio-Niemi)

11.00 Coffee/tea break

11.30–12 Discussions on this morning's theme

12.30–13 How to proceed: plans for the edited volume. Wrapping up.

13.00-14 lunch