

Future of Democracy

Reykjavik, 20-21 May
Conference Program

Friday 20 May 2016 - Lecture Hall, National Museum of Iceland

- 08:45–09:00 Jón Ólafsson, Professor, University of Iceland
Welcome
- Session I** Moderator: Stefanía Óskarsdóttir, Associate Professor, University of Iceland
- 09:00–09:45 Maija Setälä, Professor, Turku University
Connecting Deliberative Mini-Publics to Representative Decision-Making
- 09:45–10:30 Jón Ólafsson, Professor, University of Iceland
In Defense of Deliberation: On the Value of Pure Talk
- 10:30–10:45 **Coffee and tea**
- Session II** Moderator: Gunnar Sigvaldason, doctoral candidate, University of Iceland
- 10:45–11:30 Hélène Landemore, Associate Professor, Yale University
Inclusive Constitution-Making and Religious Rights: The Icelandic Case
- 11:30–12:15 Anne Meuwese, Professor, Tilburg University
The Icelandic Constitution-Making Effort and Constitutional Design
- 12:15–13:30 **Lunch break**
- Session III** Moderator: Katrín Oddsdóttir, Human Rights Lawyer and a former member of the Constitutional Council of Iceland
- 13:30–14:15 Lawrence Lessig, Professor, Harvard University
21st Century Popular Sovereignty
- 14:15–15:00 José Luis Martí, Associate Professor, Pompeu Fabra University
Republicanism and Legitimate Constitution-Making
- 15:00–15:45 Salvör Nordal, Director of the Centre for Ethics, University of Iceland
Four Months of Hard Work
- 15:45–16:00 **Coffee and tea**
- Session IV** Moderator: Lars Grassmé Binderup, Associate Professor and Vice Dean of Education, University of Southern Denmark
- 16:00–16:45 Tanja Aitamurto, Deputy Director, Brown Institute for Media Innovation, Stanford University
Motivation Factors in Crowdsourced Policymaking: Problem-Solving, Learning, and Voicing the Crowd's Experience
- 16:45–17:30 Alyssa Maraj Grahame, Graduate Student, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Asking the Big Questions: Democratic Renewal and Active Citizenship
- 17:30–18:15 Ólafur Páll Jónsson, Professor, University of Iceland
Democracy: Institutions and the Life of Citizens

Saturday 21 May 2016 - Lecture Hall, National Museum of Iceland

- Session I** Moderator: Jón Ólafsson, Professor, University of Iceland
- 09:00–09:30 Finnur Magnússon, Former CTO of the Icelandic Constitution Council
Agile Human Centered Constitution Design
- 09:30–10:00 Halldór Auðar Svansson, Councilman, Reykjavík City Council
Better Reykjavik: Concept, Policy
- 10:00–10:30 Gunnar Grímsson and Róbert Bjarnason, Co-founders, Citizen's Foundation
Better Reykjavik: Upgrading Democracy
- 10:30–11:00 Coffee and tea
- 11:00–11:30 Bjarni Sæbjörn Jónsson, Management Consultant and Social Entrepreneur
The Anthill and National Forums
- 11:30–12:00 Guðbjörg Sigurðardóttir, Director of Information Society Affairs, Ministry of the Interior, Iceland
Public Consultation Over the Internet
- 12:00–12:30 Kristinn Már Ársælsson, Ph.D. student, University of Wisconsin
Alda: Democratic Innovation in Iceland
- 12:30–13:30 Lunch break
- Session II** Moderator: Jón Ólafsson, Professor, University of Iceland
- 13:30–14:00 Valentin Chaput, Advocate, Open Source Politics
How Civic Technology and Citizen Initiatives Reshape Democracy in France
- 14:00–14:30 Maija Setälä, Professor, University of Turku, co-authors Henrik Serup Christensen, Adjunct Professor, Åbo Akademi University, and Maija Karjalainen, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Turku
Citizens' Initiatives in Finland: Towards Inclusive Agenda-Setting?
- 14:30–15:00 Joshua Braver, Doctoral Candidate, Yale University
Shifting the Median Voter through Inclusive Electoral Rules in Constituent Assemblies
- 15:00–15:30 Coffee and tea
- 15:30–16:00 Stephania Xydia, Co-Founder of Place Identity NGO
POLITEIA 2.0: a Platform for Political Innovation in Greece
- 16:00–16:30 Luca Bergamo, Secretary General, Culture Action Europe
From European to Local, Attempts to Engage Citizens in Shaping Our Society
- 16:30–17:00 David Carrillo, Executive Director, California Constitution Center, University of California, Berkeley
Lessons for Popular Constitutional Change from California History
- 17:30–19:30 **Bió Paradís, Hverfisgata 54**
Eileen Jerrett, Documentary Film Maker, Wilma's Wish Productions
A Blueberry Soup: How Iceland Changed the Way We Think about the World.
Presentation followed by political participation innovation film screening.
Q&A session after the film screening.



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