



UMR 5112

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR*
Montpellier, 27th-29th June 2012

*OPERA Research Program***

TRANSFORMING THE AMERICAN STATE?
The role of programmatic Elites
in the Social Welfare and Defense Sectors

OPERA TEAM :

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DISCUSSANTS TEAM :

Gordon Adams (American University, Washington D.C.), Larry Brown (Columbia University),
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* Ouverture aux participants sur réservation en fonction des places disponibles dans la salle. Prendre contact avec Ludovic Sposito.

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- WEDNESDAY 27TH -

→ 11h30 – 12h30 : **Opening session**

- *Presentation of the Seminar's main objectives*
- *Presentation of the participants*
- **William Genieys**, « *The Framework of Programmatic Elites in the US case* »

12h30 – 14h00 : Lunch, Restaurant « La Terrasse »

→ 14h00-15h00: 1st Session: **US foreign policy programmatic elites**

- **Hugo Meijer**: « *Losing State Capacity? Domestic and International Sources of US Export Control Policy Toward China.* »

Discussants: **John Higley, Gordon Adams**

Discussion

15h15 – 15h30: Coffee break

→ 15h30 – 18h30: 2nd Session: **US programmatic elites of the defense sector**

- **Ben Jensen**, « *The Rise and Fall of a Defense Paradigm: The Revolution in Military Affairs* »
- **Jean Joana**, « *The Revolution in Military Affairs: who are the elites groups behind this Administrative Reform* »
- **Catherine Hoeffler**, « *The Programmatic Elite of the US Defense Sector : a sociographic Overview* »

Discussants: **Gordon Adams, John Higley, Sébastien Guignier**

Discussion

At 20h00: Wine tasting & diner at Restaurant “LA TERRASSE” (Adress : Place Candolle, 34000 Montpellier)

- THURSDAY 28TH -

→ 10h00 - 12h15: 3rd Session: **US programmatic elites on Social Welfare Policy**

- 10h00 – 11h00: **Saïd Darviche & William Genieys**: « *Programmatic elites in social welfare Policy (I) : Who are they ?* »

11h00 – 11h15: Coffee break

- 11h15 – 12h30: **Saïd Darviche & William Genieys**: « *Programmatic elites in social welfare Policy (II): How do they act ?* »

Discussants: **Larry Brown, John Higley, André Mach**

Discussion

12h30 – 14h30: Lunch, Restaurant « la Terrasse »

→ 14h30 -16h30: 4th Session: **US Social welfare Policy Change: institutional game and actors**

- **Anne-Laure Beaussier**: « *Beyond the Congress, the making of a social policy elite* »
- **Ulrike Lepont**: « *Where are Ideas from? The Relationships between Programmatic elites and the Community of Health Policy Analysts* »

Discussants: **Larry Brown & Olivier Rosenberg, André mach**

Discussion

16h30 – 17h00: Coffee break

17h00-18h00 :

- **Marc Smyrl**: « *Between Interests and Ideology: Big Business and US Health Reform in Comparative Perspective* »

Discussants: **Larry Brown, Sébastien Guignier & Olivier Rosenberg**

Discussion

At 20H00: Wine tasting & diner at William's house
(Adress: 88 passage de l'Imprimerie, 34000 Montpellier)

- FRIDAY 29TH -

→ 10h00 -12h30: 5th Session: **Programmatic elites action changing the American State? Some comparative lessons.**

- **John Higley**, « *Sociology of Elites and the State : the US case* » (to be confirmed)
- **André Mach**: « *Sociographic study of elites and the “programmatic approach”: Differences and complementarities in studying elites* »
- **Gordon Adams**: « *The Dynamics of US Defense Spending: From Bush to the Future* »
- **Larry Brown**: « *Policy elites and entrepreneurs in US health care reform: From Clinton to Obama* »
- **Patrick Hassenteufel**: « *Bringing Politics back in: towards a new comparative Framework* »

Discussion

12h30 – 14h30: Lunch, Restaurant «La Terrasse»

→ 14h30 -12h30 : Extraordinary Session : **Political Science Defense thesis**

Anne-Laure Beaussier, « La santé à l'épreuve de la démocratie américaine: le rôle du Congrès dans les politiques d'assurance maladie»

Examination committee:

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20h00: Ceremony organized by the Macaronade gastronomic society at the
“Maison des relations internationales”, Hotel de Sully,
14 rue Descente en Barrat (au bout de l'esplanade Charles-de-Gaulle)
34000 Montpellier