

## **Power and Interactions in the Politics of Transnational Public-Private Governance**

*Summary Venture Workshop 2015 ISA Annual Convention, New Orleans*

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### **Summary**

The workshop was held on February 17, 2015 at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel. 12 of the 17 scholars involved in the project attended the meeting. In total, 11 memos were presented.

After a brief introductory session the meeting was launched by a discussion of a framing paper prepared by the workshop organizers (Haufler and Westerwinter). The paper introduced some basic theoretical and methodological language, raised questions of potential interest for the workshop, and developed potential avenues for a collaborative research endeavor. After the opening discussion, individual memos were presented in four subsequent panels followed by a brief concluding session (for the detailed workshop agenda, see annex I). The four panel sessions consisted of brief presentations of the individual memos and extended discussion of each individual paper.

Overall, the meeting was characterized by constructive and stimulating discussions of the framing paper as well as the individual contributions. Participants developed considerable theoretical common ground and explored a range of intriguing research avenues. In particular, many papers significantly overlapped in the theoretical concepts they used while, at the same time, exploring the various approaches that are broadly covered in the existing literature. They covered a range of substantive issue areas, too. Contributors were encouraged to keep on working on their papers which will then be presented at a second workshop meeting in winter 2015/6.

### **Follow-up**

We are exploring whether it is feasible to organize a follow-up event at the University of St. Gallen, Switzerland. There would be funding available from the University of St. Gallen and we also are considering submitting an application for a workshop grant at the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF). If we decide to organize a follow-up workshop, this event would provide the participants with the opportunity to revise and expand their memos based on the fruitful exchanges we had at the ISA workshop and to obtain additional feedback. It would also provide an opportunity for the project co-organizers to further develop their framework paper.

### **Budget Accounting**

In total, our approved budget for the workshop in New Orleans was \$9,191.10. Since a few scholars who agreed to participate in the overall project could not attend the ISA workshop, and since one of the participants in the ISA workshop claimed his hotel expenses against another research grant (and therefore only claims the per diem), we had fewer expenses than originally envisioned. Thus, with \$6,523.30 our actual expenses remained below the originally approved budget. For a detailed accounting of our expenses see table 1.

**Table 1** Budget Expenses (in USD)

<b>Items</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Difference (savings)</b>
Room Rental	200	200	0
Food & Beverage	816	528	288
Audio-Visual	350	350	0
Power	175.10	113.30	61.80
Whiteboard & Markers	75	75	0
Hotel	4,900	3,332	1,568
Per Diem	1,875	1350	525
Internet	200	200	0
Wire transfers	600	450	150
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,191.10</b>	<b>6,598.30</b>	<b>2,592.80</b>

## **Annex I: Workshop Agenda**

### **Power and Interactions in the Politics of Transnational Public-Private Governance**

ISA Workshop, Tuesday, 17 February 2015

Marlborough B, Hilton New Orleans Riverside

Note: The ISA representative will provide us all with our conference registration badges and programs, so you will not need to go to the booth to pick them up later.

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| 9:00-9:30   | Coffee  |
| 9:30-10:15  | Welcome and Introductions<br>Transnational Public-Private Governance: Key Questions<br>Virginia Haufler and Oliver Westerwinter |
| 10:15-11:00 | Stepan Wood, Daniel Berliner<br>Discussant: Oliver Westerwinter   |
| 11:00-11:30 | Break   |
| 11:30-12:30 | Graeme Auld, Errol Meidinger, Leonard Seabrook<br>Discussant: Daniel Berliner   |
| 12:30-1:30  | Lunch (provided)  |
| 1:30-2:30   | Nicola Phillips, Tim Bartley, Oliver Westerwinter<br>Discussant: Graeme Auld  |
| 2:30-3:15   | Fred Gale, Thomas Hale/Lauge Poulsen<br>Discussant: Nicola Phillips   |
| 3:15-3:30   | Coffee break  |
| 3:30-4:30   | Directions for Future Research and Data Collection<br>Virginia Haufler and Oliver Westerwinter                                  |
| 6:30        | Dinner, Restaurant Borgne, 601 Loyola, New Orleans, LA 70113, cross street:<br>between Poydras and Giro                         |