The IPSA RC Legislative Specialists has applied for a panel at the
Luxembourg 2010, IPSA Conference
March 18-20, 2010 - Jean Monnet Building, European Commission

**Is There a European Model of Governance? A Comparative Perspective**

Our proposal was accepted as Panel No. 12: *Democratic Representation in European Model of Governance*

Co-Chairs: Werner Patzelt (Dresden University of Technology) and Christopher Lord (ARENA-Centre for European Studies, Oslo)

Panel description: The panel will be organized by IPSA’s Research Committee on Legislative Specialists (RC08) and EU-funded project RECON-Reconstituting Democracy in Europe. RECON seeks to clarify whether democracy is possible under conditions of pluralism, diversity and complex multilevel governance. Three models of European democracy are established, and different options for democratic reconstitution in Europe are delineated and assessed: reframing the EU as a functional regulatory regime and reconstituting democracy at the national level (model 1); establishing the EU as a multinational federal state (model 2); or developing a post-national Union with an explicit cosmopolitan imprint (model 3). The proposed panel wants to concentrate on the principles of democratic representation in European Model of governance. We want to present results from both theoretical and empirical research to get a comprehensive picture of different challenges to democratic representation. Complementary to this will be papers presenting how parliamentary bodies react on this changing political environment and representation beyond the nation-state.

**Call for Paper Proposals ***Deadline: November 15, 2009***** Submissions will only be accepted online at luxembourg2010.org. Late submissions will not be considered.

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