

CSD lecture announcement:

European Referendums? The Solution for the Democratic Deficit?

The Centre for the Study of Democracy is organizing a lecture series with prominent political scientists on 'Challenges of Democracy in the 21st Century' in the academic year 2008/9. The next lecture will be given by Prof. Simon Hug from the University of Genève. The lecture is about European referenda. Some activists, politicians and scholars envision European referenda as a possible contribution to reducing the democratic deficit. Unfortunately, there is very little empirical (and theoretical) basis for such hopes. Based both on theoretical models and empirical evidence the case for and against European referenda is discussed.

When: Wednesday, 3 June

Time: 16.15-17.15

Where: Building Institutenweg 25, room P 010