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Simulating EU Negotiations
Matthias Vogl (ZEI Program Coordinator) with Dr. Jonas Hemou (Director External Relations ECOWAS Commission), Dr. Abdel Dansoko (ECOWAS Parliament) and Dr. Daouda Fall (ECOWAS Court of Justice)

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Politics

The Current Situation in the European Union
Alexander Count Lambsdorff, Member of European Parliament (MEP-Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats in Europe)

The Role of Regions in the European Union
Michael Mertes, State Secretary, Ministry for Federal and European Affairs, North Rhine-Westphalia

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Multilevel Governance: The European Experience
Prof. Dr. Ludger Küehnhardt, ZEI Director

Measuring and Comparing Regional Integration
Prof. Philippe de Lombaerde, United Nations University – Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS), Bruges

Learning from Failure: EU and ECOWAS Experiences Compared
Prof. Dr. Jürgen Elvert, University of Cologne, ZEI Senior

Regional Asymmetries and Protectionist Pressures
Prof. Dr. Simona Beretta, ASERI, Catholic University Milan

Winners and Losers of Integration: Exchanging experiences
Prof. Dr. Simona Beretta

Managing a Common Currency – The EU Experience and the ECOWAS Perspective
Prof. Dr. Simona Beretta

Regional Integration in Africa: Assessing the Experiencing of Bi-Regional Trade Negotiations
Petra Pongracz, German Development Institute (DIE), Bonn

The History of EU Central Banks on their Way to EMU
Erwin Nierop, Project Manager, DG International and European Relations / Legal Services, European Central Bank

ECB in the EU – Working with the EU Fora and Institutions
Theo Martens, Head of Division, EU Institutions and For a, DG International and European Relations, European

Economics

The Primacy of Law – National vs. European Law
Prof. Dr. Andreas Haratsch, University of Distant Learning of Hagen

The Current State of Affairs of the ECOWAS Court of Justice
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The European Union Ahead of the Next Elections to the European Parliament
Michael Stabenow, “Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung” (FAZ), Brussels

European Foreign Policy
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Panel: The EU and ECOWAS – The Agenda Ahead
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Civil Society and the Integration Process – long term trends
Antonis Papacostas, Head of Unit “Research and Political Analysis”, DG Communication, European Commission, Brussels

Central Bank

Establishing Monetary Unions – Lessons Learned from the European Experience Erwin Nierop, Project Manager, DG International and European Relations / Legal Service, European Central Bank

The Regional Policy of the European Union
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European Lobbying in Action
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Simulation: Directive on Cocoa and Chocolate Products
EUROSOC, Think Tank for European Decisions

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