Jean Monnet Lecture Series Presents Eurozone Politics: Expectations versus Results

The establishment of the Eurozone was a signature development in the history of European integration. The main motivation for the common currency was political, namely, to take a bold step towards the creation of a federal union. However, many national-level elites sold the euro to their publics in economic terms, promising that the euro would lead to economic convergence, increase jobs and prosperity, and help equalize the economies of weaker states. For some countries the opposite has occurred, as the euro has become associated with economic decline. Consequently, for many there is a sense of betrayal that is helping to fuel euroskepticism and making it harder to collaboratively implement sustainable solutions to the Eurozone crisis. The talk will analyze these developments and consider some of the potential scenarios for the future of the currency union.

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