

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
COMPARATIVE POLITICAL
INSTITUTIONS CONFERENCE

Hosted by UCLA
September 16, 2011
10:30am to 5:00pm

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Program

Introductions: 10:30-10:45

Session I: 10:45-12:00

Heather Stoll (UCSB)

Presidential Coattails: A Closer Look

Sebastián Garrido de Sierra Title (UCLA)

The Only Player in Town: A Formal Explanation of the Maintenance and Erosion of the Unity of a Dominant Party's Elite

Discussant: Christian Grose (USC)

Session II: 1:00-1:45

Sebastián Saiegh (UCSD)

Ruling by Statute

Discussant: Melissa Rogers

Session III: 2:00-3:15

Zeynep Somer-Topcu (Vanderbilt) & **Michelle Elisa Zar** (Vanderbilt)

Political Party Responses to European Parliamentary Election Results

Kyung Joon Han (Tennessee-Knoxville)

Party System and Party Behavior: The Impact of Extreme Right Parties on Mainstream Parties' Issues

Discussant: Ben Nyblade

Session IV: 3:30-4:45

Indridi H. Indridason (UCR)

Live for Today, Hope for Tomorrow? Rethinking Gamson's Law

Tony Bertelli (USC)

Public Policy Investment: Risk and Return in British Politics

Discussant: Kathleen Bawn

The Future of SCPI: 4:45-5:00