



The Centre for European Studies in cooperation with
The Institute of European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies, are pleased
to invite you to a roundtable discussion

The European Union after the Irish Referendum: No Way Forward, No Way Back?

Panel members include:

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On June 12, Irish voters rejected the European Union's Lisbon Treaty on institutional reform. For a second time after the failure of the EU Constitution in 2005, reform proposals unanimously agreed on by European leaders have been voted down by the citizens. This leaves the EU in a dilemma: While its institutions are regularly criticized for being insufficiently effective and democratic, institutional reform to change this seems impossible to bring about. Do the referenda indicate that the EU has reached an impasse? Or are they no more than a temporary setback in the European integration process? What options remain for European policy makers?

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