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Opening lecture
Integration and Diversity
Monday 23 April 6pm
ULB / IEE, Room Spaak, 39 Avenue Roosevelt, 1050 Bruxelles

The lecture will be followed by a reception.
All welcome.
Registration by 18 April at goyal.eventbrite.com

Following lectures:
Tuesday 24 April, 6pm
Wednesday 25 April, 6pm
Thursday 26 April, 6pm

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Abstract of Opening Lecture

In a liberal society, diversity in norms, values, and modes of behaviour is greatly valued. But in contemporary European politics, diversity is also increasingly seen as a major challenge. In the domains of food, dress, language, education, occupation, and religious belief, the rewards from an action depend on what others - especially those close to us - choose. Group identity creates differing expectations on the preferred course of action. How do individuals navigate their way through the claims of group identity and the pressures of conformism? What are the implications for social cohesion?

Other Lectures

Tuesday 24 April, 6pm
“Community Networks and Markets”

Wednesday 25 April, 6pm
“Networks and Gender”

Thursday 26 April, 6pm
“Conflict in Networks: Rise and Fall of Empires”

(All lectures in ULB / IEE, Room Spaak, 39 Avenue Roosevelt, 1050 Bruxelles)

Biographical Note

Sanjeev Goyal is Professor of Economics and Fellow of Christ’s College at the University of Cambridge. He pioneered and remains a leading international scholar in the study of networks. His early research in the 1990’s laid the foundations of an economic approach to the study of networks by providing a framework for the study of the effects of social structure on human behaviour and by developing a model of how the costs and benefits of linking shape the formation of networks. In subsequent work, he has explored applications of these ideas in the context of industrial organisation, economic development, international trade, finance, the diffusion of innovations, cybersecurity, and conflict. In 2007, Princeton University Press published his book Connections: an introduction to the economics of networks. Sanjeev Goyal is Fellow of the British Academy and was the founding Director of the Cambridge-INET Institute.
Practical Information for Opening Lecture

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