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Mapping the supranational higher education space

24 May 2022, 10.30-11.30am (UK) Chair: Janja Komljenovic Speakers: Tristan McCowan, Rachel Brooks, David Mills, Maia Chankseliani, Lee Rensimer, Natia Sopromadze and Natasha Robinson

Across an increasingly complex and dynamic global higher education system, researchers and policy analysts are revising their analytical framings and spatial imaginaries. This panel showcases a CGHE research project that explores four different examples of the 'supranational' as manifested in higher education policy and practice. One explores how the European Universities Initiative (EUI) is reimagining Europe as a higher education space, a second offers an analysis of the flows of global HE aid to specific national HE systems, a third explores the role of international funding and knowledge flows in the development of higher education and research in the Caucasus and Central Asia, whilst a fourth tracks the emerging Africa-China nexus of scholarship funding and training collaborations. After a brief introduction to the 'supranational', each project will explain how it is making sense of these supranational dynamics, and the changes to higher education that result. The panel will then open up a broader conversation about the links between these spaces and flows of ideas, people, policy and funding.

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