

Report on Collaboration between IQAC and Public Policy and Analysis Cell, JMC with Hertie School, Germany

In **October 2019**, Mr. Axel Bausch, MD Hertie School, Berlin had visited the JMC campus and met some of the faculty members and the Principal, Sr.(Dr.) Rosily T.L. r.j.m. The faculty members who were a part of the meeting were Dr. Ameeta Motwani, Convenor, Research and Collaboration, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce; Dr. Renu Gupta, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce ; Ms. Tanuja Sachdeva, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and Convenor and Public Policy and Analysis Cell (PPAC) ; Mr. Naveen Joseph Thomas, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics and Ms. Megha Jacob, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics and Faculty Advisor of PPAC . In the meeting, it was discussed that the collaboration should start with a lecture by one of the faculty members of Hertie School. Later, it was decided through exchange of emails that on 2nd March, 2020, Prof. Mark Kayser, PhD, Professor of Applied Methods and Comparative Politics (before Hertie School has worked at UCLA, Rochester, Oxford) would hold a lecture at JMC and later take Q&A from the students and have a lunch with our faculty thereafter.



Picture taken in October 2019

PUBLIC LECTURE

Date: 2nd March, 2020

TIME: 11 am

Venue: Research Centre, Library Block, JMC

On **2nd March 2020** Public Policy and Analysis JMC - in collaboration with Internal Quality Assurance Cell- organized an informative speaker session by Professor Mark Kayser from Hertie School of Governance, Germany. The main ideas of the lecture stemmed from Prof. Kayser's research paper 'Downward Class Mobility and Far-Right Party Support' which bore key insights into the phenomenon of 'Populism in Europe'.

This informative session bore key insights into the phenomenon of 'Populism in Europe'. Elucidating the research methodology and econometric models adopted, Prof. Kayser drew a dynamic and multi-dimensional parallel between inter-generational occupational mobility and the tendency to support far right political parties, in both general and the European contexts. He argued for the existence of non-spurious correlation- both direct and indirect - between cultural and economic factors and the consequent voting patterns in any given region and evidenced the same with data on the trends of inter-generational occupational mobility and populism in Europe during the last few decades.

In this era of intensifying public tendencies towards demagoguery, Prof. Kayser, with his latest research, lifts populist veils and thus, equips us- the voters of today and tomorrow- with a bird's eye-view of 'ground zero'. The attendees appreciated not only Prof. Kayser's keen observations, but also his effort to impart to his audience, as much as possible, the invaluable skill of data interpretation. Post the lecture, a constructive Q&A round followed.

A total of 105 students, our Principal, Sr. (Dr.) Rosily T.L. r.j.m. and 11 Faculty Members were present for the lecture which was followed by lunch for the guests (Mr. Axel Bausch, MD Hertie School, Berlin and Prof. Kayser) and the JMC faculty members. The 11 faculty members of JMC were Dr. Alka Marwaha, Coordinator, IQAC, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics; Dr. Ameeta Motwani, Convenor, Research and Collaboration, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce; Dr. Renu Gupta, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce ; Ms. Tanuja Sachdeva, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science ; Dr. Reena Marwah, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce; Ms. Shalini Srivastava, Associate Professor, Department of Economics; Dr. Taisha Abraham, Retired Faculty Member, JMC; Mr. Naveen Joseph Thomas, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Ms. Megha Jacob, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics; Ms. Meera Gopakumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and Ms. Anamika, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science. We look forward to more such activities in the future with the Hertie School, Germany.



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IQAC and Public Policy and Analysis Cell JMC
in collaboration with
Hertie School of Governance, Germany
Presents A Public Lecture On the Topic

Populism in Europe

by



Mark Kayser

**Professor, Applied Methods and Comparative Politics,
Hertie School of Governance**

About the Speaker

Prof. Mark Kayser's research primarily focuses on elections and political economy. His major projects centre on partisan asymmetries in electoral accountability, media reporting on the economy, and the effect of electoral competitiveness on incumbent behaviour. He is Senior Co-editor for comparative political economy for the Oxford Research Encyclopedia and serves on the editorial boards of multiple journals. Before joining the Hertie School faculty, he was an Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Rochester and was a Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow at Nuffield College, Oxford. Prof. Kayser earned his PhD in 2002 at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA).

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The session will be followed by a Q&A session with the Recruitment Team, Hertie School of Governance, for information regarding the programmes offered by the University.

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