

## EU agencies at the forefront: expanding the EU executive in times of crisis

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Maastricht, Friday 12 May 2023, 14.00 – 17.00 CET

### *The theme of the workshop*

The management of crises, such as natural disasters and humanitarian emergencies, is increasingly being undertaken by EU agencies and bodies. Despite this, relatively little research has been conducted on how EU agencies contribute to crisis management and the challenges and opportunities that arise in this context. The involvement of EU agencies in crisis management also raises broader questions about emergencyism/exceptionalism in the EU, which presents opportunities for interdisciplinary research at the macro level. Crises also create opportunities for EU agencies to undertake activities that fall outside of their mandate to address functional needs, which can lead to the de facto strengthening of the European administration in various areas. The objective of the panel is to bring attention to the topic.

Organised by the TARN Young Researchers Platform (TARN YRP), a research network dedicated to studying EU agencies and executive governance, the panel also seeks to establish connections with PhD students researching EU agencies and administration/executive and identify prospective young researchers interested in joining the TARN YRP.

#### Participants

#### Programme

**Chair:** Aida Halilovic and Ruben Della Pia

**Discussant:** Ellen Vos (Maastricht University)

- 14.00**      **Opening remarks**
- 14.15**      **Europol's amendments through the crises: a legitimization of the expansion of its competences?** – Sarah Tas (European University Institute)
- 14.30**      **The role of the European Labour Authority in the context of the Ukrainian crisis** – Pauline Melin (Maastricht University)
- 14.45**      **What's left of the Agency model? Some reflections on the EU administrative system in a changing constitutional order** – Saverio della Corte (European University Institute)
- 15.00**      **AFSJ Agencies contributing to a shared Union administration: Theoretical Framework** – Aida Halilovic (Maastricht University/Roskilde University)
- 15.15**      **European Health Agencies in Crisis** – Ruben della Pia (University of Pisa/Maastricht University)
- 15.30**      **Discussion**