Statewatching Europe
Civil Liberties, the State and the EU
European conference marking Statewatch’s 20th anniversary

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Conference agenda

9.30 - 10.00 Registration

10.00 - 11.00 Conference starts: Opening Plenary

- Ann Singleton: Welcome (University of Bristol and Co-Chair of Statewatch Trustees)
- Gareth Peirce on “the war on terror” (solicitor and author of Dispatches from the Dark Side: On Torture and the Death of Justice)
- Tony Bunyan on “the state of Europe” (Director, Statewatch)

11.00 - 11.30 Break

11.30 - 13.00 Workshops: “The state of Europe and the European state”

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch

14.00 - 15.30 Workshops: “The ‘war on terror’: legacies and challenges”

15.30 - 16.00 Break

16.00 - 17.30 Closing Plenary: “Charting the terrain: the decade ahead”

- Shami Chakrabarti (Director, Liberty)
- Courtenay Griffith QC (Garden Court Chambers)
- Aidan White (Secretary-General, International Federation of Journalists, 1987-2011)
- Tony Bunyan (Director, Statewatch)

Questions and final discussion

17.30 Conference closes
Workshops

Morning: Parallel Workshops: Session I: The state of Europe and the European state

Workshop 1: Immigration, asylum, and border controls

Chair: Mads Pedersen
Frances Webber (IRR)
Nadine Finch (Garden Court Chambers)
Vassilis Karydis (Greek Deputy Ombudsman of Human Rights)
Isabelle Caillol (Migreurop)

Workshop 2: Mass surveillance and technologies of control

Chair: Paddy Hillyard
Ben Hayes (Statewatch)
Eric Töpfer (CILIP, Berlin)
Steve Wright (Leeds Metropolitan University)
Minas Samatas (University of Crete)

Workshop 3: The Stockholm Programme and the post-Lisbon EU

Chair: Ann Singleton
Deidre Curtin (University of Amsterdam)
Steve Peers (University of Essex)
Rui Taveres MEP
Staffan Dahloff (Journalist, Denmark)

Afternoon: Parallel Workshops: Session II: The ‘war on terror’: legacies and challenges

Workshop 1: Criminalising communities and the policing of protest

Chair: Lee Bridges
Paddy Hillyard (Queen’s University, Belfast)
Heiner Busch (Kommittee für Grundrechte und Demokratie)
Vicki Sentass (CAMPACC)
Gabriella Petti (University of Genoa)

Workshop 2: Racism, Islamophobia and the far right

Chair: Nadine Finch
Liz Fekete (IRR)
Yasha Maccanico (Statewatch)
Jean Lambert MEP
Jose Angel Brandariz Garcia (Corunha university/Esculca)

Workshop 3: Defending civil liberties: strategies of resistance

Chair: Ben Hayes
Walter van Holst (EDRI)
Gavin Sullivan (ECCHR, Berlin)
Saghir Hussain (Cageprisoners)
Cilius Victor (Newham Monitoring Project)