

Regulation as compensation for a (declining) welfare state?

Comparing countries and regimes

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In the last decades, the welfare state has frequently witnessed retrenchment, deregulation and privatization. To what extent does regulation compensate for a (declining) welfare state? Does regulation by private actors such as enterprises take up the challenge to provide social goods? Do we see regulation of economic activity to benefit wider social goals rather than pure market efficiency? What is the reach and what are the forms of regulation compensating for a (declining) welfare state? What are the actors that seek social goals (public, private, business, NGOs) and how do they coordinate and cooperate across governance levels to reach social goals? The panel discusses these questions from different theoretical perspectives. We welcome empirical accounts using quantitative, qualitative and mixed-method designs and particularly invite papers comparing regulatory governance across different regime types and countries.

Chairs: Miriam Hartlapp & Sabine Kropp/ Freie Universität Berlin

Discussant: Eva Heims/ University of York

Papers:

“How to regulate governance networks in a hybrid regime? Evidence from the Russian case”
Aadne Aasland & Sabien Kropp/ Freie Universität Berlin

„Housing policy in Europe: Comparative perspectives“ Björn Egner, Max-Christopher Krapp,
Kai Schulze, Martin Vaché/ Technische Universität Darmstadt

“Social criteria in public procurement: regulatory complements or compensation for social policy?” Miriam Hartlapp/ Freie Universität Berlin

“Managing Uncertainty: The Changing Regulatory Regime of Not-For-Profit Organisations in Australia and Questions of ‘Over’ or ‘Under’ Regulation?” Michael Johnson/ School of Social Sciences, UNSW

“How how policymakers coordinate and integrate with social regulation” Philipp Trein/
Université Lausanne