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Workshop: *Voting experiments*

When: March 28-29, 2014

Where : Université de Montréal, Montreal, Canada.

Organizers: André Blais (UdM), Jean-François Laslier (Paris School of Economics and CNRS) and Karine Van der Straeten (Toulouse School of Economics and CNRS)

Sponsor: Making Electoral Democracy Work (<http://electoraldemocracy.com>) and Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (<http://csdc-cecd.mcgill.ca/>)

Synopsis: The study of how citizens vote within different electoral contexts is a rapidly growing focus of Political Science and Economics research. One of the aims of the *Making Electoral Democracy Work* (MEDW) project is to examine, through experimental methods, how the rules of the game (especially the electoral system) and the electoral context (especially the competitiveness and salience of an election) influence voters' and parties' behavior during elections. The purpose of the workshop is to present voting experiments conducted within and outside the MEDW project and to discuss the methodological issues associated with this type of experiments.

Submission: Proposals should include the name(s) and institutional affiliation(s) of authors, the title and a two-page abstract, or the full paper if available. We plan to edit a book with some of the workshop contributions. Proposals should be submitted online by **1 October 2013** via <http://electoraldemocracy.com/workshop>. Queries may be sent to one of the organizers. Those selected will be notified of their inclusion in the program by 1 November 2013. There is no registration fee, and travel and subsistence costs will be covered.

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About the sponsors:

Making Electoral Democracy Work is an international collaborative project funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada under the direction of André Blais. The project brings together a team of economists, political scientists, and psychologists from Canada, Europe, and the United States to undertake an ambitious study of the impact of electoral rules on the functioning of democracy.

Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship brings together a group of scholars from four Québec universities. The centre includes scholars and students from both Communications and Political Science departments, and brings a cross-disciplinary perspective to bear on the challenges facing democratic citizenship in a rapidly changing world.