

## Curriculum vitae

Carlos Closa, born in 1964, holds a Ph.D. in Politics and a M.A. in *European integration and cooperation* by the University of Hull (UK). He is Deputy Director at the *Centre for Political and Constitutional Studies* (CEPC), Madrid (from October 2004) and Scientific Researcher at the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC). Since May 2005, he represents Spain at the *Venice Commission for Democracy through Law of the Council of Europe*, in which he has been selected for its *Enlarged Bureau*. He is author of a number of Opinions of the VC on Montenegro (referendum for independence), Armenia (electoral law) and UK (electoral law). Currently, he is in charge of the Report on civil control on armed forces and the Code of good practices for political parties. He has been consultant of UN-UNAMI on federal and constitutional issues. He has collaborated with the Spanish Cooperation Agency (AECID) in several projects in Latin America on regional integration, transitional justice and interparliamentary cooperation.

He has been formerly Senior Lecturer in Political Science at the University of Zaragoza (Spain) and lecturer at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid. He has been *Jean Monnet Fellow* at the European University Institute (EUI), Florence, *Visiting Fellow* at the Centre for European Studies (Harvard University) and Visiting Professor at the College of Europe (Bruges) and the Instituto Ortega y Gasset (IUOG; Madrid). He is Associated Researcher at the *Real Instituto Elcano de Estudios Internacionales y Estratégicos* (RIE). He has published a large number of articles (in Spanish, English and Italian) on EU citizenship, the EU constitutional structure and the relationship with the Member States in journals such as *Common Market Law Review*, *Journal of European Integration, Law and Philosophy*, *Comparative European Politics* or the *Revista de Estudios Políticos* (in Spanish).

He is author of *Sistema Político de la Unión Europea* (Madrid: Ed. Complutense; 1997); *Spain and the EU* (London: Palgrave, 2004), with Paul Heywood (Univ. of Nottingham), and editor of *La europeización del sistema político español* (Madrid: Istmo, 2001), *La Constitución de la UE* (Madrid: CEPC, 2005), with Natividad Fernández and *Past, present, future: 50 years of the European Union* (Peter Lang), with Julio Baquero. He is currently preparing a manuscript on *Ratifying the EU treaties* (London: Routledge, forthcoming).

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### CURRENT APPOINTMENT

(2004- ) Deputy Director, Centro de Estudios Políticos y Constitucionales, Madrid

### MAIN FIELDS OF RESEARCH

EU politics, EU Constitution

### UNIVERSITY STUDIES AND DIPLOMAS

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| 1990-1993 | Ph. D. Politics, Hull, UK   |
| 1989-1990 | MA European Integration and Cooperation, Hull, UK                 |
| 1987-1988 | Diploma in Constitutional Law and Political Science, Madrid, CEPC |

**1982-1987**

Degree in Sociology and Political Science, Madrid (UCM)

### **POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH POSITIONS**

- April 2004-July 2004      **Salvador de Madariaga Fellow, EUI-Florence.**  
Feb.2002-July 2002      **Visiting Fellow, Harvard University, USA**  
Sept. 1995-Feb. 1996      **Jean Monnet Fellow, EUI-Florence**

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### ***Books (in English):***

- Closa, C. and Heywood, P. (2004) *Spain and the EU* (London: Palgrave) 274 páginas ISBN 0-333-75338-0  
Hardback ISBN 0-333-75339-9 Paperback
- Baquero, J. and Closa, C. (eds.) (2008) *Past, present, future: 50 years of the European Union* (Peter Lang)
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#### ***Books (in Spanish):***

- Closa, C. (1997) *Sistema político de la Unión Europea* (Madrid: Editorial Complutense) 205 páginas
- Closa, C. (ed.) (2001) *La europeización del sistema político español* (Madrid: Istmo) 565 páginas ISBN 84-7090-420-5
- Closa, C. and Fernández, N. (eds.) *La constitución de la UE* (Madrid: CEC)

#### ***Articles (in English):***

- Closa, C. (1991) The Gulf crisis: A case study of national constraints on Community action *Journal of European Integration* 15:1 pages 47-67.
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- Closa, C. (1998) International limits to national claims in EU constitutional negotiations: The Spanish government and the asylum right for EU citizens' *International Negotiations* 3:3 pages 389-411
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- Closa, C. (2004) The Spanish intellectual debate on the future of the EU: Who was mobilised and with what effects? *South European Politics* Vol. 19 no. 1 pages 82-96
- Closa, C. (2004) The value of the institutions. Mandate and self-mandate in the Convention process *Politique européenne*, n°13
- Closa, C. (2004) The formation of domestic preferences on the reform of the Treaties in Spain *Comparative European Politics* 2004, 2, (320-338)
- Closa, C. (2005) Deliberative constitutional politics and the turn towards a norms-based legitimacy of the EU constitution *European Law Journal* 11:1 145-164
- Closa, C. (2005) Constitution and democracy in the draft treaty establishing a constitution for Europe *European Public Law* 11:4 pages 411-431
- Closa, C. (2007) Why convening referendums? *Journal of European Public Policy* 14:8 December pages 1-22

#### ***Book Chapters (in English):***

Closa, C. (1994) *Citizenship of the Union and nationality of the Member States*; en O'Keefe, D and Twomey, P. (eds.) Legal issues of the Maastricht Treaty (Londres: Chancillery, 1993) páginas. 109-119

Closa, C. (1995) 'National interest and convergence of preferences: a changing role for Spain in the EU?' in Mazey, S. y Rhodes, C. (eds.) *The state of the European Union* Vol. III (Boulder, Co.: Lynne Rienner, 1995) pages 293-316

Closa, C. (1998) Can EU citizenship become the institutional foundation for a new social contract?, in Meny, Ives and Rhodes, Martin (eds.) A new social contract? Charting the future of European welfare (Londres: Macmillan) (CL) pages 266-283

Closa, C. (1998) EU citizenship and supranational democracy, in Weale, Albert y Nenwitch, M. (eds.) *Political theory and the European Union* (Londres: Routledge); version in (1998) in LaTorre, M. (ed) *European citizenship: an institutional challenge* (The Hague: Kluwer)

Closa, C. (1998) Some foundations on the normative discussion on supranational citizenship and democracy, in Preuss, U.K. and Requejo, F. (eds.) *European citizenship, multiculturalism and the state* (Baden-Baden: Nomos Verlag) páginas 29-50 ISBN 3-7879-5721-5

Closa, C. (2001) 'National plurality within single statehood in the European Union', in Requejo, F. (ed.) *Democracy and national pluralism* (London: Routledge) pages 105-127

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Closa, C. (2007) Constitutional prospects of European citizenship and new forms of democracy, in De Witte, B. and Hervé Bribosia (eds.) *La constitution européenne : Rétrospective et perspectives* (Bruxelles: Bruylant)

Closa, C. (2007) *The EU Economic governance: the Stability and Growth Pact*, en Heinz Schaffer & Julia Iliopoulos-Strangas (eds.) State modernization in Europe Ant. N. Sakkoulas Publishers / Berliner Wissenschafts-Verlag / Bruylant SEPI ISBN: 978-960-15-1846-6

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#### ***Articles and book chapters in Spanish:***

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- Closa, C. (2000) 'La política pesquera común', in Morata, F. (ed.) *Políticas públicas en la Unión Europea* (Barcelona: Ariel) pages 121-142
- Closa, C. y Fernández Albertos, J. (2000) 'El sistema político de la Unión Europea', en Alcántara, M. (ed.) *Sistemas políticos de la Unión Europea* (Valencia: Tirant lo Blanch) pags. 527-559
- Closa, C. (2000) Los resultados electorales en la Unión Europea, en Martínez, A. y Méndez, M. (eds.) *Las elecciones al Parlamento Europeo, 1999* (Valencia: Tirant lo Blanch) páginas 291-322 (CL) ISBN 84-8442-043-4
- Closa, C. (2003) 'La gobernanza en la Unión Europea' *Revista de Estudios Políticos* num. 119 Enero-Marzo pages 485-503

#### ***Online papers:***

- Closa, C. (2001) *Las raíces domésticas de la política europea de España y la Presidencia de 2002* Foundation Notre Europe Etudes et Recherches no. 16 52 pags. <http://www.notre-europe.asso.fr/fichiers/Etud16-es.pdf>
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- Closa, C. (2004) La ratificación de la Constitución de la UE: un campo de minas (ARI) ARI Nº 120/2004 ( 7/7/2004) <http://www.realinstitutoelcano.org/analisis/548.asp> (acceso 26 Julio 2004)

#### **LINGUISTIC SKILLS**

**Spanish:** mother tongue

**English:** fluent, first foreign language

**Italian:** fluent, second foreign language

**French:** Passive, third foreign language