

## POLITICAL STUDIES ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND

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The PSAI Executive Committee produces a monthly newsletter for members. If you have any material to contribute – publications, vacancies, appointments, research grants, conferences, etc. - please send it in the first instance to Theresa Reidy at [t.reidy@ucc.ie](mailto:t.reidy@ucc.ie) for inclusion.

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#### PSAI MEMBERSHIP/IRISH POLITICAL STUDIES

Dear Colleague,

PSAI Membership: €50/£35. Students: €30/£21 - includes a print subscription to *Irish Political Studies*. The online membership form can be accessed at <http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/offer/fips-so.asp>

An online sample of the journal can be viewed [here](#).

If you are unsure about your current membership status, please feel free to contact Stacey Doran ([stacey.doran@tandf.co.uk](mailto:stacey.doran@tandf.co.uk))

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# ECPR JEAN BLONDEL PhD Prize 2010 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

**Win €1,000 and the opportunity to have  
your thesis published  
by the ECPR Press in its Monographs  
series**



Professor Jean Blondel  
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Each year, the ECPR, in association with ECPR Press, awards the Jean Blondel Prize for the best thesis in politics (including international relations, political theory and public administration).

**Nominations  
for the 2010  
Prize are  
needed by  
Monday 1st  
February 2010**

**Rules and Guidelines for the Submission of entries to the  
Jean Blondel Prize**

The thesis must have been examined and been deemed to

## The Awarding Panel

The Jean Blondel Prize is judged by a committee drawn from the editorial board of ECPR Press and chaired by the series co-editor, Professor Dario Castiglione of Exeter University.

## The 2009 Winner



The 2009 Jean Blondel PhD Prize winner is Daniel Mügge.

His thesis will be published as a book entitled, ***Widen the Market, Narrow the Competition: Banker***  
*Interests and*

have passed between **1st September 2008** and **31st August 2009**. However, the doctorate need not have been officially conferred during this period.

Each ECPR full member institution can nominate no more than **ONE** candidate for the prize.

The candidacy must come via the ECPR Official Representative or the Head of Department.

Only full member institutions can nominate candidates for the prize, and the thesis nominated must have been submitted at the institution concerned.

The topic of the thesis should fit broadly within the field of political science and political thought. For example, work on political economy should draw substantially on the relevant political science literature as well as on any economics literature, and work on comparative constitutions should draw substantially on the relevant literature from political science as well as from law, and so on.

The submission for the Prize should be made in PDF format to **([mkench@essex.ac.uk](mailto:mkench@essex.ac.uk))** by **Monday 1st February 2010**. Free : be found at [www.cutepdf.com/Products/CutePDF/writer.asp](http://www.cutepdf.com/Products/CutePDF/writer.asp)

Besides a brief accompanying letter from the representative of the candidates obtained their doctorate, the submission must comply

1. an expanded 15 to 20-page abstract in English outlining the main arguments of the work. The abstract should outline:
  - a. the subject of the thesis;
  - b. its main findings and arguments; as well as
  - c. its principal conclusions;
2. the table of contents of the thesis, also in English.

Both documents will be used to draw a short-list (usually of not more than five candidates).

The authors of the short-listed theses will be asked to provide an electronic copy of their complete thesis by the middle or end of March 2010, so that the Jury can make a decision regarding the assignation of the Prize.

### **Translations**

Short-listed theses written in languages other than English that are not familiar to the members of the jury will first be read by a specialist in the field. Should they feel the thesis is a strong candidate for the Prize, the ECPR will pay for up to 20,000 words to be translated into English, so that it can be judged equally by the panel. Should a non-English language thesis be awarded the Prize and be published in the **ECPR Press' Monographs series**, the full cost of the translation will be split 50/50 between the ECPR Press and the candidate or their institution.

***the Making of European Capital Markets*** (ISBN: 978107301087), by The ECPR Press in early 2010.

Details of Jean Blondel PhD prize winners can be found [here](#).

## **Publication**

The award will be given to the thesis that the Committee believes will make the best research monograph in a politics book series. The criterion for this prize is that, with suitable amendments, the thesis would make an outstanding book, addressing central themes in the relevant subfield(s) of the discipline, and hence would be suitable for inclusion in the ECPR's Monographs series, which is published in English.

Although it is hoped that the successful thesis will be published in the **ECPR Press' Monographs series**; the Press is no under obligation to offer a contract with the book series; and no candidate is under any obligation to accept such a contract if offered it. On the other hand, the Editors of the Press hope to start discussions as soon as possible with the winner, and indeed with some of the other shortlisted candidates, on the possibility of publishing their thesis as a book in the Monograph series.

## **Prize Announcement**

The winner of the prize will be announced on **30th September 2010**. If it is deemed that no thesis reaches an acceptable standard, the committee may decline to award the prize in any given year.

The successful candidate will be awarded a **prize of €1000**. The candidate will receive the prize at the ECPR's Joint Sessions at the **University of St Gallen in Switzerland from 13-17 April**.

## **Expenses**

Expenses to attend the prize giving will be paid for by the ECPR, which will arrange travel and accommodation.

## **CEU PhD Program in Political Science, IR and Public Policy - call 2010/11**

The new PhD Program in Political Science at the Central European University (CEU) offers 20 new scholarships for students starting in the 2010/11 academic year. In the specialisation area of Public Policy we particularly invite application relating to one of the following research areas.

- Public administration, bureaucratic politics and policy learning
- European integration, EU public policy and

comparative European politics

- International Political Economy, global governance, international trade and development
- Civil society, minorities and policy reform
- Public services and utilities (particularly media and communications, energy and higher education)
- Economic and labor market policy

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## **CROSS-BORDER RELATIONS: STEPS TOWARDS CHANGE**

THURSDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2009

ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY

19 DAWSON STREET, DUBLIN 2

TIME: 5.30 PM

(REGISTRATION: 5.15 PM)

### **SPEAKERS**

**MR DICK SPRING**

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### **In Search of the Promised Land: the Politics of Post-War Ireland**

Professor Gary Murphy's new book has recently been published. *In Search of the Promised Land* is an exciting challenge to the established historiography of post-war Ireland, based on extensive research using Irish departmental files, British and American political archives, the personal papers of politicians and other policy players and interviews with officials, businessmen, trade unionists, and other who were active during the period.

### **THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE EUROPEAN CONSORTIUM FOR POLITICAL RESEARCH**

The European Consortium for Political research will celebrate its 40th anniversary in 2010. To commemorate and celebrate the achievements that have taken place - not only within the ECPR, but in the political science profession as a whole - several events and publications are being planned. These will include:

A specially commissioned history of the ECPR by Ken Newton and Thibaud Boncourt that will cover not only the past 40 years, but also the pre-birth period and the efforts of the 'founding fathers' to establish the Consortium.

An extra 'ruby red' issue of *European Political Science* (EPS) that will look back and reflect on the development of the discipline.

A round table during the Münster Joint Sessions on the history of political science over the last 40 years.

Specially designed silk ties and scarves, which can be bought from the ECPR Central Services.

A special reception during the Joint Sessions.

A round table during the ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques that will examine and reflect on the changes in social science methodology over the past 40 years.

More information will be available throughout 2010, so check the ECPR website regularly for details.

### **Critical Turns in Critical Theory**

Internationally renowned sociologist Klaus Eder launched *Critical Turns in Critical Theory: New Directions in Social and Political Thought*, the Festschrift in honour of Piet Strydom on Thursday 12 November in the Department of Government in UCC.

The Festschrift is edited by Dr Séamus Ó Tuama of the Department of Government, UCC and is published by Tauris. It brings together a diverse range of scholars to discuss key issues facing civil society today. It explores new theories, critiques, analyses and practices to

address debates about risk, responsibility, ethics, communication, the environment, science and technology, gender, identity, development and law.

## Jobs

### Tenure track positions at Université Catholique de Louvain

Three tenure-track positions in political science are opened at Université catholique de Louvain (Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium) for 2010:

- Political behaviour and electoral studies ( <http://www.uclouvain.be/en-44301.html> );
- European policy-making and policies ( <http://www.uclouvain.be/en-38150.html> ); and
- International relations and development studies ( <http://www.uclouvain.be/en-38148.html> ).

See the links for detailed descriptions.

Deadline for applications: 15 January 2010.

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### IBEI Junior (Assistant) Professors 2010 - 3 positions

The Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals (IBEI) invites applications for three full-time tenure-track positions in Political Science, with a special interest in International Relations and International Political Economy, at the Assistant Professor level. These positions are part of IBEI's ambition to raise its international research profile. The positions should begin no later than 1 October 2010. Five-year contracts will be offered. At the end of the fourth year, the Assistant Professor's performance will be reviewed. In the event of a positive review, a permanent contract will be offered. Candidates who already have a strong publication record, earlier evaluation for tenure consideration will be possible.

Candidates must have a Ph.D. obtained by the time they will join IBEI and a promising record of methodologically rigorous publications in peer-reviewed journals and/or major scholarly presses. The Assistant Professor is expected to teach in IBEI's Master's degree program and to participate in IBEI activities and research programs. Salary conditions are internationally competitive and will include support for research expenses. Excellent personal skills and an ability to contribute to collaborative research projects are also essential for this position. Applications must be submitted by **15 December 2009**. Applicants should send a letter of interest; a complete curriculum vitae; a report of teaching and research activities that credits teaching experience and research potential; a sample of previous research; an outline of a proposed research project; and three letters of recommendation. Please send these documents to the following address:

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The Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals is a graduate teaching and research institution created by five universities in Barcelona (the University of Barcelona, the Autonomous University of Barcelona, Pompeu Fabra University, the Open University of Catalonia, and the Technical University of Catalonia). The Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals supports research in all fields of international political economy, international relations, international security, foreign policy and comparative politics. IBEI is an equal opportunities employer. Further information about IBEI and its Master's degree in International Relations can be obtained at the following web site:  
<http://www.ibei.org>

### **Institute of Irish Studies, University of Liverpool: International Postgraduate Studentships**

The Institute of Irish Studies at the University of Liverpool is pleased to announce the creation of a number of fees-only studentships for prospective PhD students from any country outside the EU. These are worth **£25,200 - £28,200** over 3 years. These can be in any area of Irish Studies, where there is existing expertise in the Institute – though currently the area of Irish Literature is over-subscribed. Candidates wishing to work in the following areas will be particularly welcome:

- Gaelic ecclesiastical history
- The Vikings in Ireland
- Irish theatre/drama
- W.B. Yeats
- Irish women's history (particularly 19<sup>th</sup> – early 20<sup>th</sup> century)
- Contemporary Northern Irish history/politics

*Scholarships may be taken up at any time during 2010 commencing 1<sup>st</sup> February 2010*

**Applications** (to include a C.V., a one page outline of the topic to be researched and names of two academic referees) to be addressed to:

Dr Diane Urquhart  
The Institute of Irish Studies  
University of Liverpool  
1, Abercromby Square  
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Or email [Urquhart@liverpool.ac.uk](mailto:Urquhart@liverpool.ac.uk)

Please note: Applicants also need to follow procedures to apply to graduate study at the University of Liverpool website or email [Urquhart@liverpool.ac.uk](mailto:Urquhart@liverpool.ac.uk) see the following for details [http://www.liv.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/research\\_opportunities/irish\\_studies\\_research.htm](http://www.liv.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/research_opportunities/irish_studies_research.htm)

**Central European University TWO ASSISTANT PROFESSORS IN PUBLIC POLICY,  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC POLICY**

Starting date: August 2010

Application deadline: 02/26/2010

Full Or Part Time: Full-Time

Central European University (CEU) is a graduate research-intensive university specializing primarily in the social sciences. It is located in Budapest, and accredited in the United States and Hungary.

CEU's mission is to promote academic excellence, state-of-the-art research, and civic engagement, in order to contribute to the development of open societies in Central and Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union, and other emerging democracies throughout the world. CEU offers both Master's and doctoral programs, and enrolls more than 1500 students from nearly 100 countries. The teaching staff consists of more than 140 resident faculty, from over 40 countries, and a large number of prominent visiting scholars from around the world. The language of instruction is English.

The Department of Public Policy ([www.ceu.hu/dpp](http://www.ceu.hu/dpp)) is one of the leading suppliers of post-graduate degree programs in the field of policy studies in Europe. It works closely with the Departments of Economics, Political Science, and International Relations and European Studies.

Duties and responsibilities:

The Assistant Professors will contribute to the department's MA core courses in public policy, as well as one or two courses that reflect their own research specialization.

Qualifications:

€ PhD in Public Policy, Political Science, International Relations, Sociology, Political Economy, Law, Economics, Higher Education or a closely related discipline

€ Research and publication record in public policy

€ Ability to develop and deliver graduate courses in public policy

€ Ability to produce outstanding academic research and international publications

€ For one of the two positions, specialization in regulation, public health policy or higher education policy will be an advantage.

Compensation:

Commensurate with experience. However, we offer a competitive salary, as well as a dynamic and international academic environment.

How to apply?

Applicants need to submit:

€ A full resume,

€ A statement of purpose,

€ Two publication samples,

€ Three single-page course outlines (a course on public policy analysis, a public management course, and a course that reflects their own research interests);

€ Names of at least two referees who will write in their support.

Informal enquiries may be addressed to the Head of the Department of Public Policy, Nick Sitter ([sittern@ceu.hu](mailto:sittern@ceu.hu)).

Please send your complete application package to: [job@ceu.hu](mailto:job@ceu.hu) - including job code in subject line: 2009/028 or

Central European University

Human Resources Office Code: 2009/028

Budapest, Nador utca 9

H-1051, Hungary

We encourage electronic applications.

Interviews will take place between 12 April and 16 April 2010.

CEU is an equal opportunity employer.

### **Call for Papers**

## **Third Biennial Conference of the European Consortium on Political Research Standing Group on Regulatory Governance**

**University College Dublin, 17-19 June 2010**

### **Regulation in an Age of Crisis**

Perceptions of crisis in finance, corporate governance, climate, equality, security and other areas simultaneously invoke blame and heightened expectations for the activities of regulatory regimes. In this conference we welcome panels and papers addressing the following indicative themes and other themes relating to regulatory governance:

- Regulatory politics
- The dynamics of regulatory governance
- The causes of and responses to crises
- State and non-state regulatory capacity
- Issues of transnational and supranational regulation
- Regulation after the financial crisis
- Regulating for sustainability
- Re-thinking environmental regulation
- Rights and regulation
- Regulation and the global South
- New methods in regulatory research
- Joined-up regulation and the consolidation of regulatory regimes
- State aid as a response to crisis
- Competition policy and regulation after crisis
- Regulatory coordination
- Multi-level regulation
- Assessing regulatory impact
- Regulatory institutional architectures
- European networks of regulation
- Accountability and regulation
- Fragmentation in financial regulation
- Fiscal governance
- Juridification of Regulatory Regimes
- Regulating NGOs
- Teaching Regulation and Governance

Proposals for Panels (of between 3 and 5 papers) or papers should include titles, abstract(s) (300 words), name(s) and email address(es) and be submitted to the chair of the local organising committee [colin.scott@ucd.ie](mailto:colin.scott@ucd.ie) no later than 15 January 2010. If submitting a paper please indicate preferred theme(s) and/or up to 6 keywords. The organisers hope to be able to

offer a number bursaries to support the participation of PhD students and academics from emerging economy countries. The programme will be available from the end of February 2010, with details of booking, registration costs, bursaries and accommodation published at that time.

The Biennial Conference of the European Consortium on Political Research Standing Group on Regulatory Governance is the leading interdisciplinary conference on regulation held in Europe and regularly attracts papers from all over the globe and from disciplines including political science, law, accounting, business, sociology, economics, international relations, anthropology, public administration and other cognate disciplines. The Majone Prize will once again be presented to the best paper at the conference by an early career researcher.

This conference will be held at University College Dublin and is hosted by the UCD School of Law, UCD School of Politics and International Relations, UCD School of Business, UCD Global Finance Academy, The Institute of Public Administration and Trinity College Dublin. An international Academic Steering Committee is working with the local organising committee on the programming for the conference.

Dublin is an exciting venue for this conference. As a small open economy Ireland has been at the forefront of regulatory innovation across a range of domains, including financial and environmental. Ireland is a small but significant player in European and World affairs and political and economic commentators take a close interest in its contribution and response to current economic difficulties. In addition to being a major centre for financial services, Dublin has three universities ranked in the THES global top 300 and is a very popular destination both for conferences and tourism because of its strong air transport links, mix of heritage sites and modern infrastructure and facilities.

Further details will be available shortly at the conference website: [http://regulation.upf.edu/index.php?id=conferences\\_projects](http://regulation.upf.edu/index.php?id=conferences_projects)

### **Change Africa and Transform Politics**

**Dates:** April 15-16, 2010

**Call for Proposals Deadline:** January 10, 2009

**Location:** Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

**Website:** [www.societyforafrica.org](http://www.societyforafrica.org)

The International Society for Africa (SoAf) is hosting its 1st Change Africa and Transform Politics conference on April 15-16, 2010 at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington, DC. The theme of the conference is *Dissecting Change and Opportunity in the Age of Obama*. It will feature the following three thematic tracks:

1. Systems thinking: introducing the theory and application of systems thinking to social and political justice.
2. Straight talk: exploring constructive, productive, and inclusive the North-South dialogues.
3. Democracy, Development and Decisions (DDD): focusing on the impact of and solutions to the economic downturn for populations overall.

Invited Keynote Speaker: Johnnie Carson, Assistant Secretary for African Affairs (U.S. Department of State)

For individual presentation, please send a paper abstract to [events@societyforafrica.org](mailto:events@societyforafrica.org) – Corporate presentation during the two day conference will be limited to 3 individuals per organization for an hour. Registration fee to the conference is \$125 and it covers breakfast and lunch.

## **Negotiating Solutions: Political Institutions and Governance in the 21st Century**

**Dates:** March 4, 2010

**Call for Proposals Deadline:** December 11, 2009

**Location:** Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA

The Department of Political Science at Georgia State University is seeking submissions for a conference on political institutions and governance, which will be held Thursday, March 4th, 2009.

Political institutions play a critical role in our attempts to overcome collective action problems, both domestically and internationally. In the framework of domestic politics, political institutions can work to serve, oppress, or neglect people. On the international stage, they can provide a useful tool for interstate cooperation to either maintain the status quo or alter the current order. Challenged by wars, stagnation, economic shocks, or crises of legitimacy, political institutions are inevitably questioned and face challenges. Both scholars and practitioners hold the responsibility to accurately describe how political institutions function and to suggest how they can be improved.

The goal of this conference is to bring together graduate students active in the fields related to the study of political institutions to promote dialogue and scholarly exchange both within and across sub-fields of political science, examining the purpose and function of political institutions as well as their potential limitations. We encourage graduate students to submit proposals of their research from the fields of international relations, comparative politics, American politics, regional studies, public policy, public choice and political theory.

In addition, the best papers presented at the conference will be chosen to participate in a special issue of *Political Perspectives*, a peer-reviewed electronic journal for postgraduate research in political studies. This is an excellent chance to not only gain experience presenting your work and receiving feedback, but also for publication in a peer reviewed journal.

Interested students should submit abstracts by December 11th to be considered for participation. Abstracts should be no more than 300 words and must include the paper title and the academic affiliation of the participant (university/program). Please submit proposals as a Word document.

Please send submissions to Daniel Kuthy at [dkuthy1@gsu.edu](mailto:dkuthy1@gsu.edu).

Do not miss this opportunity to engage in a fruitful academic exchange. We are looking forward to a successful and productive conference.

## **Social Capital Foundation: Social Capital in Practice**

**Location:** Mellieha, Malta

**Dates:** 7-10 May 2010

The Social Capital Foundation invites papers for the conference, which will take place from Friday, 7 May 2010, 5 p.m. (welcome cocktail, local time) to Monday, 10 May 2010, noon (local time).

Closure of submissions: Submissions will be closed on 15 February 2010, 6 p.m. CET.

Opening of registrations: Registrations are open since 1 June 2009, 6 p.m. CET.

Closure of registrations: Registrations will be closed on 28 February 2010, 6 p.m. CET.

For detailed information including guidelines, topics, submission and registration, please visit our conference website:

[www.socialcapital-foundation.org/conferences/2010/TSCF%20International%20Conference%202010.htm](http://www.socialcapital-foundation.org/conferences/2010/TSCF%20International%20Conference%202010.htm)

Papers submitted and accepted before 30 November 2009 will be inserted into the program of the conference. Proposals are reviewed within two weeks of submission.

## **Exchanging Ideas on Europe 2010: Bruges, Belgium**

**The 2010 conference will take place at the College of Europe, Bruges, Belgium on 6-8 September 2010.**

The [Call for Panels and Papers](#) closes on **22 January 2010**.

<http://www.uaces.org/events/conferences/bruges/call/index.php>

### **College of Europe**



The academic quality and the variety of its postgraduate European study programmes are renowned worldwide. The College of Europe claims to be the most genuinely 'European' of all the university institutes of European studies: it attracts a highly qualified pan-European faculty and welcomes students from across the entire continent and

further a field; it enjoys a truly European atmosphere on its Bruges and Natolin (Warsaw) campuses, and it can rely on its unique network of personal and institutional relationships developed, throughout Europe and beyond, over the past 59 years. As the careers of many of its alumni illustrate, the College degree opens up rewarding professional prospects in Europe and at the international level.

### **WORKSHOP "Contested Policies: European Socio-Economic Governance and the Global Economic Crisis"**

ECPR JOINT SESSIONS, Münster 22-27 March 2010

[http://www.ecprnet.eu/joint\\_sessions/munster/workshop\\_details.asp?workshopID](http://www.ecprnet.eu/joint_sessions/munster/workshop_details.asp?workshopID)

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BUDAPEST, Central European University

DEADLINE: 1 December 2010

The origins of the global economic crisis and policy responses to it raise fundamental questions for the study of European socio-economic governance. At the national level, the exposure of European countries to the sub-prime crisis and the economic and financial chaos that ensued provide a unique insight into how different models of capitalism adjust to change in an era of economic and financial globalisation. At the European level, the financial and real effects of the crisis provide the sternest test yet of

Economic and Monetary Union and the EU's fledgling system of socio-economic governance.

The aim of this workshop is to take stock of European responses to the global crisis, bringing together scholars of European socio-economic governance from a variety of disciplinary perspectives to challenge existing theoretical approaches in the light of fresh empirical evidence. An innovative feature of the workshop lies in its attempt to bring together two different strands of literature which have co-existed largely separately from each other in the past.

The first strand is associated with the so-called 'Varieties of Capitalism'. It has emphasised the importance of institutional complementarities and systems coordination for the performance of capitalist economies. This literature provides profound insights into comparative political-economy but has paid limited attention to policy coordination between distinct models of capitalism and the evolution of EU economic governance.

The second strand of the literature focuses on EU socio-economic governance which has emerged in the context of EMU and the launch of the open method of coordination, drawing attention to the process and practice of policy coordination. While it had led to insights into new modes of governance and soft coordination mechanisms, this literature has explored policy-making in a non-crisis environment and paid less attention to substantial questions over policy choice against the background of diverging national models of capitalism. Moreover, the crisis has challenged the assumption that EU socio-economic coordination does not have a redistributive dimension. The agreement of financial aid packages for EU member states in the midst of the crisis also had a social component in so far as some governments feared a backlash against European integration in financially unstable member states.

A range of research questions are of relevance for this workshop. How have coordinated, liberal and mixed-market economies differed as regards their exposure and response to the global economic crisis? What has the crisis revealed, thus far, about the EU's capacity for economic policy coordination at home? What have we learned from recent events about the EU's ability to speak with one voice on international economic issues? To what extent have member states' preferences for EU action in response to the global economic crisis been rooted in domestic varieties of capitalism? How does the focus on common EU action change the role and position of domestic institutions in the policy-making process?

We are inviting proposals for research papers for the discussion at the workshop. The workshop format will follow the ECPR Joint Sessions' model of intensive review discussions. Please submit your research paper proposal to the two workshop directors until December 1, 2009 at the latest. Please include a short paper outline of not more than 300 words.

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**New Steering Concepts in Public Management - Workings towards Social Integration**

**Dates: 28-30 June 2010**

**Call for Proposals Deadline: 15 December 2009**

**Location: Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands**

**Website: [www.ipmn2010.net](http://www.ipmn2010.net)**

The theme of 2010 conference of the International Public Management Network will be “New Steering Concepts in Public Management: Working towards Social Integration”.

During the conference, we want to explore how public administrations can use outcome-based steering mechanisms to achieve social integration and healthy societies and counter fragmentation.

The full call for papers is available on [www.ipmn2010.net](http://www.ipmn2010.net)

## Conference Alerts

### Ethno-Politics Conference

My name is Mary Alice C. Clancy and I am a Research Fellow at the University of Exeter and a fellow member of the PSAI. I would greatly appreciate it if you would post a link to our forthcoming Ethno-politics conference in the next PSAI newsletter, as I think it may be of interest to many members. A link to our conference appears below:

<http://centres.exeter.ac.uk/exceps/events/conference.html>

### IPSA mid-term conference, Luxembourg March 18-20, 2010 "Is There a European Model of Governance? A Comparative Perspective"

We invite you to take a look at the conference website: <http://www.luxembourg2010.org/>.

You will find information on the 15 panels selected and a form to submit a paper abstract. Please note that the call for proposals closes on November 15th.

We look forward to meeting you in Luxembourg in March 2010.

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## Call for panels & papers

**submit your proposal now!**

Panels and papers can now be submitted online.

- [Click here to submit a panel with papers](#)
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**The deadline for all proposals is 1 February 2010**

Information on how to propose a panel or paper, and information to include in the proposal can be found by [clicking here](#).

## Got an idea for a panel and need papers?

### Find a Friend!

If you have a good idea for a panel, but don't have enough proposals to submit it, email the details to [ecpr@essex.ac.uk](mailto:ecpr@essex.ac.uk).

Include the following information in your email:

Title \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ panel  
Your name and contact details

This information will then be added to our website at:  
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## European conference on politics and gender 2011

We are beginning to organise the second European Conference on Politics and Gender to take place in early 2011. As many of you will know, the first conference, held in Belfast in January 2009, was a huge success, attracting around 300 participants for 3 days of panels, plenary sessions and socialisation. We hope to build on this success for the next conference, but we need your help:

1. Please let us know your preference for the format of the conference:
    - a. Panel sessions: as for the first ECPG in Belfast: 9-10 sessions with concurrent panels over several days
    - b. Workshop format: a mini-Joint Sessions where participants join one workshop for several days for intensive discussion of pre-circulated papers. All participants must be part of a workshop and must commit to sharing a paper ahead of the conference.
    - c. Combination format: a conference that combines panel sessions and workshops, possibly on the model of 1.5 days of sessions and 1.5 days of workshop.
  2. Please let us know if you would like to be on the coordinating team for this conference.
  3. Please let us know if you think your institution might be able to host the conference.
- The format of the conference might affect its size in terms of numbers of participants, so if you think your institution might be able to host it in principle please let us know since that will help to inform the decision about format.

We really appreciate your input on the points above. Let us know your views (and your offers of help!) by emailing Karen ([Karen.celis@hogent.be](mailto:Karen.celis@hogent.be)) or Faith ([f.armitage@bbk.ac.uk](mailto:f.armitage@bbk.ac.uk)).

Best wishes,  
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**APSA 2010 ANNUAL MEETING ~ September 2-5, 2010 | Washington, D.C.**

**. Submit a Proposal by December 15**

APSA is collecting proposals for the 106th APSA Annual Meeting & Exhibition to be held in Washington, D.C., September 2-5, 2010. After a turbulent year for the world economy, it is fitting that the next APSA Annual Meeting will be held in Washington, D.C. where many are looking for solutions to improve these economically difficult times. 2010 program chairs Andrea Campbell, MIT, and Lisa Martin, University of Wisconsin, Madison have created a timely theme and call for proposals addressing the current economic and political world climate: "The Politics of Hard Times: Citizens, Nations, and the International System under Economic Stress."

Please review the [participation rules and submission guidelines](#) before sending your proposals. The complete call for papers can be found at [www.apsanet.org/2010](http://www.apsanet.org/2010). **The deadline to submit a proposal is December 15.**

**Identity and the Other British Isles, 24-25 June 2010**

The Academy for the Study of Britishness, University of Huddersfield, UK

As issues of nationalism, identity, and what it means to be 'British' continue to affect the cultural and political landscape of Britain itself, its impact on the islands that share (or have shared) a cultural heritage with the United Kingdom has become new ground for academics. The Academy for the Study of Britishness at the University of Huddersfield welcomes proposals for 20- minute papers from academics, postgraduate students, independent scholars, and other professionals to present at its 'British identity and 'the other British isles'' conference on 24-25 June 2010. The conference will bring together research from a range of disciplines in order to explore issues of Britishness within island culture and society. Papers are welcomed on the identities, cultures, history, heritage, and society of any island/islands which share a cultural heritage with Britain. This includes islands within the 'British archipelago' and around the world. The focus of the conference is on smaller islands, and those whose relationships with Britain and Britishness have been often neglected in academic study. Topics may include, but are not limited to:

- The culture and identity of The Isle of Man, The Channel Islands, Orkney, Shetland, Scilly, Anglesey, The Hebrides, Malta, Cyprus, Hong Kong, Singapore, The Falklands, The British West Indies and other 'British' islands
- The Island(s) in wartime
- Relationships between the island(s) and Westminster/the Monarchy
- Britishness in commemoration and celebration of identity in the Islands
- Britishness in island government and administration
- The impact of Britishness (or Englishness) on the local language and culture
- Tourism
- Devolution and nationalism within the Island(s).

Proposals for 20-minute papers should be no more than 200 words, should include a one-page CV and be sent to [Conference.presentations07@hud.ac.uk](mailto:Conference.presentations07@hud.ac.uk). The deadline for submission is January 25th. For more information on the conference contact Dr. Jodie Matthews ([j.matthews@hud.ac.uk](mailto:j.matthews@hud.ac.uk)) or Daniel Travers ([d.travers@hud.ac.uk](mailto:d.travers@hud.ac.uk))

## **The Security Council and Contested Territory - Contrasting Approaches, Contexts, and Manner of Implementation**

April 8 – 9, 2010

PSIR Department,

<http://www.psir.ncc.metu.edu.tr/postgrad/postgraduate.html>

Middle East Technical University-NCC

This conference will assess Security Council (SC) effectiveness with reference to long-term contested territories. We will consider contested areas subject to SC Resolutions, including Cyprus, The West Bank, Nagarno Karabakh, Western Sahara, and Kashmir.

Specific queries in this regard include: the reaction of the SC given alternate circumstances and different regions; the function and capacity of the SC to maintain peace and security; and norms that might emerge from SC Resolutions as a guide to the actors enmeshed in long term contested territory.

The invitation to participate extends to academics, governmental personnel, and international agencies operating within contested territories.

This is the first of a conference series pertaining to contested territory. We also intend to examine the role of peacekeepers, other UN agencies, international and regional actors, and civil society.

There is a minimum conference fee of \$150 that includes lodging and meals. Applicants should send abstracts of 200 words to [hejahevalzelal@gmail.com](mailto:hejahevalzelal@gmail.com) by Feb 1, 2010. Qualified papers might become part of a publisher`s series.