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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)

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Politics, Economy and Society: Irish Developmentalism, 1958-2008

Full programme is set out below.

12th March 2009

Research Board Room, Belfield

University College Dublin

Session One 9am – 10am: Governance and Public Administration

MacCarthaigh, Muiris (IPA) and Hardiman, Niamh (UCD), Breaking with or building on the past? Reforming Irish public administration: 1958-2008

Barry, Frank (TCD), Interest-Group Politics and Irish External Trade Policy Over the Last Half-Century: A tale told without recourse to heroes

Brownlow, Graham (QUB), Fabricating Economic Development

Session Two 10.15am – 11.15am: Political Culture

Chair Dr Andreas Hess

Fanning, Bryan (UCD), From Developmental Ireland to 'Migration Nation'

Girvin, Brian (Glasgow), Before the Celtic Tiger: Change without modernisation in Ireland 1959-1987

White, Timothy (Xavier), From preventing the future to forgetting the past: Irish political culture in the 21st century

Session Three 11.30am – 12.30pm: Political Parties

Chair Professor Michael Laffan

Murray, Thomas Patrick (UCD), Development and non-decisions: The curious case of socio-economic rights, 1958-89

Murphy, Gary (DCU), Fianna Fail, Irish sovereignty and the European question

Purseil, Niamh (UCD), Lying awake, worrying about the unemployed: politics and inertia in the 1950s

Lunch 12.30pm – 1.30pm

Session Four 1.30pm – 3pm: Economic Development

Walsh, P.P. (UCD) and Whelan, Ciara (UCD), The Political Economy of Industrial Development in Ireland, 1958-2008

Durkan, Joseph (UCD), Preventing the future: The 1950s as the nadir of protectionism

McDowell, Moore (UCD) and Thom, Rodney (UCD), Ireland's exchange rate policy, 1958-1998

Murray, Peter (NUIM) Educational developmentalists divided? Patrick Cannon, Patrick Hillery and the economics of education in the early 1960s

Session Five 3.15pm – 4.45pm: Politics and Society

Chair: Professor Michael Gallagher

Kissane, Bill (LSE) Comparing Ireland and Finland
Farrington, Christopher (UCD) The strange transformation of Irish nationalism in the late 20th century
Todd, Jennifer (UCD) The evolution of Irish nationalism: The northern dimension
Coakley, John (UCD), How significant is Catholic unionism in Northern Ireland?

Keynote Lecture 5pm – 6pm
Chair: Professor Louden Ryan

Professor Tom Garvin (UCD), Dublin Opinion, 1948-1962

The Institute of International & European Affairs
and

OAK TREE PRESS

are pleased to invite you and a guest
to attend the launch of
METAMORPHOSIS
Lessons from the Formative Years
of the Celtic Tiger, 1979-1993
by **Con Power**

on Friday, 6 March 2009 at 12.45pm
at The Institute for International & European Affairs
Europe House, 8 North Great George's Street, Dublin 1.

Launch by
Charlie McCreevy,
Member of the European Commission
and
Ruairí Quinn, TD
Labour Spokesman on Education & Science.

REPLY SHEET

Name: _____

Organisation: _____
(Please tick appropriate box)

Will be **able** to attend

Will be **unable** to attend

Book Launch

12.45pm Friday 6 March 2009, at the Institute of International and European Affairs

Replies can be made by phone: 8746756, fax: 8786880, email: reception@iiea.com or post: Europe House, 8 North Great Georges Street, Dublin 1

Ernst B. Haas Best Dissertation Award

The Section's Prize for the Ernst B. Haas Best Dissertation on European Politics and Society is awarded to a dissertation filed during 2008. To be considered for this award, a dissertation must be nominated by the Chair of the department in which it was defended (again, we cannot accept self-nominations). Letters of nomination and a copy of the dissertation must be sent directly to each committee member to the addresses listed below. Email submissions are not considered. The deadline for submission is April 1, 2009.

Award Committee Chair:

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Washington DC 20036

(I am assured that 4/1/09 is a serious deadline, and not a *poisson d'avril*)

Dr. Leonard Ray
Director, International Studies Program
Louisiana State University
(225) 578 7274
Room 153 A Howe Russell Hall

Sociology Seminar Series 2009 at University of Limerick

A Sociology of Insanity: The Problem of the 'Irish Case'

Dr Damien Brennan, Trinity College Dublin.
24th February, 2-3pm: Room CG053

Subject Disciplines and Interdisciplinarity, Globalisation and the 'Knowledge Society'

Dr. Roland Tormey, Dept. of Education and Professional Studies, UL.

11th March 12-1pm. Room CG054

Whose Development? Framing of Ireland's Aid Commitments by Official Sources and the Media During and After the Celtic Tiger

Dr. Anthony Cawley (Dept. of Language & Cultural Studies, UL) and Dr. Cliona Barnes (Dept. Sociology, UL), ISKS

25th March 2-3pm. Room CG053

'Physician Heal Thyself': Debating Health Professionals' Weight

Dr. Lee Monaghan, Department of Sociology, UL.

15th April 2-3pm. Room: TBC

The Micro Geography of Poverty in Limerick

Dr. Des McCafferty, MIC

29th April, 2-3pm for the. Room: TBC

Institute of Spatial and Environmental Planning, Queen's University Belfast

Research Seminars - Spring 2009

Tuesday 24th February

Dr David Counsell, Programme in Planning and Sustainable Development,
University College Cork

"The new spatial planning: territorial planning with soft spaces and fuzzy boundaries"

2pm in Seminar Room 1: Level 3, David Keir Building

Tuesday 24th March

Dr Mark Scott, School of Geography, Planning and Environmental Policy,
University College Dublin

"Planning for rural housing: policy and politics in Ireland"

2pm in Seminar Room 1: Level 3, David Keir Building

Wednesday 6th May

Professor Greg Lloyd, School of the Built Environment,
University of Ulster at Jordanstown

"Strategic Spatial Planning in Scotland"

2pm in Seminar Room 2: Level 3, David Keir Building

Graduate Research Education Programme

‘Gender, Culture and Identity: local, national and international’

Irish Research Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences
An Chomhairle um Thaighde sna Dána agus sna hEolaíochtaí Sóisialta

Summer school

‘Best practice in higher level humanities research Methodology: Oral History’

University of Limerick 8 – 11 June 2009

**Seminar and workshop format – guest academic experts – intensive focus on
methodology – interviewing techniques – digitisation and archival of oral sources**

To register contact: catherine.oconnor@ul.ie

FOURTH ECPR SUMMER SCHOOL IN METHODS AND TECHNIQUES

University of Ljubljana

Wednesday 29 July to Saturday 15 August 2009

Online registration for the Summer School is now available [on our website](#). The website also provides details of the academic programme, accommodation, tuition fees, ECTS credits and further information about the city of Ljubljana. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Goodman at scgood@essex.ac.uk

The ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques provides high quality up-to-date training in a broad range of specially selected methods across the whole spectrum of approaches employed in the social sciences. Its courses emphasise those methods which are particularly salient for research questions in political science and neighbouring disciplines, as well as dealing with all stages of a project and catering to the needs of research set at the macro and micro level. It covers both 'quantitative' and 'qualitative' designs as well as more 'positivist' and 'interpretative' perspectives.

We plan to organise a lively plenary and social programme that will include debates, lectures and receptions. For further information please [visit our website](#) or contact scgood@essex.ac.uk.

On behalf of the ECPR and the Summer School organising team we look forward to seeing you in Ljubljana

Combat Poverty Agency

Part 1: 2009 Research Programme in Combat Poverty

To support the implementation of its 2009 Work Programme, the Combat Poverty Agency is advertising for a post-graduate research internship for four months, to commence after its integration into the new Division within the Department of Social and Family Affairs. The terms and conditions of the internship are set out below. The post-graduate intern will be responsible for assisting in research tasks, including the completion of two studies: 1) a scoping study and initial annual report on Monitoring Poverty Trends; and 2) a commissioned study analysing the effectiveness of interventions under the Warmer Homes Scheme, managed collaboratively with Sustainable Energy Ireland.

Please note that the deadline for application for this post is **Monday, 23rd March 2009**.

Part 2: Post-graduate Research Internship

The post-graduate research internship provides for post-graduate research students to contribute to the research programme of Combat Poverty.

One internship is offered for post-graduate students qualifying with a research or social policy Masters degree in 2009. It provides students with an opportunity to apply their academic research skills by contributing to Combat Poverty's research and policy work through assisting in commissioned and in-house research projects, undertaking qualitative and quantitative research analysis and contributing to policy development.

The key tasks of the research internship include:

- assisting in research projects (including EU studies);
- undertaking literature reviews and scoping papers;
- assisting in the generation of in-house databases;
- reviewing research reports; and
- contributing to Combat Poverty policy and policy development.

Further information on Combat Poverty and its work is available from its website (www.combatpoverty.ie). Information on national policy priorities is also available from the Office of Social Inclusion (see www.socialinclusion.ie).

Eligibility

The post-graduate internship is offered to students qualifying with a research or policy Masters degree in 2009, specifically those with a social science background (e.g. social policy, economics, and politics). However, those who have recently qualified, not more than two years, may also be considered depending on the circumstances, which should be outlined in the application form.

Funding

The post-graduate research internship will be based in the Combat Poverty Agency office in Dublin for three months duration, ideally to commence by the 19th March 2009 and to end no later than 26th June 2009. The start date is negotiable to the beginning of April, 2009 but the end date is fixed. Holders will be employed on the basis of a fixed term contract with Combat Poverty, subject to its general terms and conditions of employment. The gross remuneration will be €6,400.

Reporting

Internships will be supervised by Combat Poverty research staff. All reports produced will, where relevant, be incorporated into Combat Poverty Agency publications and/or outputs of the new division.

Applications

Applications must be completed on the official application form, available from our website www.combatpoverty.ie. Applications (including the relevant application form and information on two referees) should be emailed to research@combatpoverty.ie or posted (unbound) to the Combat Poverty Agency, Bridgewater Centre, Conyngham Road, Dublin 8. The closing date for receipt of applications is **5pm on Monday, 23rd March, 2009**. All applications will be acknowledged, however, late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Assessment

Applications for the post-graduate research internship will be assessed on a competitive basis. Applications will initially be assessed by staff within Combat Poverty's research section and selected candidates will then be short-listed for interview. The criteria for assessing applications and interviews include candidates':

- academic qualifications;
- training and experience in social research skills;
- interest in poverty issues and policy as it relates to poverty;
- familiarity with computer software packages e.g. word, excel, NVivo, SPSS;
- ability to benefit from internship and contribute to added value of the research programme.

Research ethics

Applicants for research internship should reflect a commitment to high ethical standards in the research. Applications should display an appreciation of the difficulties arising in conducting research on poverty. In particular, the vulnerability of people experiencing poverty should be respected when collecting sensitive information and the risk of stigmatising people in poverty when reporting on research should be minimised.

Further information

For further information and informal discussion about potential proposals, contact the Research Administrator at telephone: 01-6026633, email: research.admin@combatpoverty.ie. See also www.combatpoverty.ie/research.

Associate Director, the Boston Consortium on Gender, Security, and Human Rights

Summary of Position:

The Associate Director for the Boston Consortium on Gender, Security, and Human Rights, at the Center for Gender, Security, and Human Rights at the University of Massachusetts Boston, will co-manage and assist the Director in the research, policy and educational work of the Center. S/he will carry out the development of an on-line research hub on gender, peace and security and assist the Director in developing a Global Research Centre on Gender and Crisis Prevention and Recovery. S/he will be responsible for the Boston Consortium on Gender, Security and Human Rights' internship program including selecting, training, and managing graduate and undergraduate interns; develop and manage a speaker series and faculty seminars; edit lectures for publication, and if appropriate teach one undergraduate course each year. S/he will also be responsible for managing the center's budget; assist with grant writing and fundraising; and be responsible for the general administrative duties of the center, including developing collaborative relationships within the university community, with a wider network of scholars internationally, and with international organizations.

The Associate Director's duties will include:

Overseeing the development of an on-line research agenda and research hub on gender, peace and security, including the on-going training of the volunteer intern staff populating the site with data;

Training interns in effective research techniques;

Managing all aspects of the internship program, including interviewing applicants, finding internship sponsors, and meeting with the interns regularly;

Assisting the Director in the development of a Global Research Centre on Gender and Crisis Prevention and Recovery, including the development of a month-long Summer Training Institute on Gender Research Methodology and Ethics;

Developing and coordinating faculty seminars;

Developing and managing a speaker's series, including assisting with speaker selection and managing all aspects of the event;

Editing lectures and other items for publication;

Developing and maintaining the Center's website;

Potentially teaching one undergraduate course a year;

Managing and overseeing the center's budget including development of an annual budget;

Reporting on funding and expenditures to the director;

Working with the Dean and the College's major gift officer to raise funds for the Center;

Researching possible grant funding opportunities and applying for grants;

Assisting in research projects and the policy work of the center, and other duties as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications:

Doctorate in a related field strongly preferred. Must have broad knowledge of the field of gender, armed conflict and security. Must be a highly effective manager with significant administrative experience and the ability

to organize, manage, prioritize and ensure effective completion of a large number of substantial projects in a fast-paced work environment. S/he also must have excellent writing and editing skills, strong financial skills, and the high level personal, organizational and mentoring skills necessary to run a large internship program. Must have experience and skill in academic research preferably related to gender and security. College teaching experience in the area of gender and armed conflict is highly desirable.

To Apply:

Please submit cover letter, CV, and three letters of reference to the Consortium's director, Dr. Carol Cohn.

Please submit an electronic copy to: carol.cohn@genderandsecurity.org, as well as a hard copy to:

Carol Cohn
Women's Studies Department
Wheatley, 5th floor
UMass Boston
100 Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, MA 02125

Review of applications will begin on February 25, 2009, and continue until the position is filled.

PhD Studentships and MA Scholarships in Exeter's Department of Politics 2009-10

Exeter's Department of Politics, one of the top ten research departments in the country for world leading research (RAE 2008), is pleased to invite applications for PhD and MA awards to begin October 2009. We are offering four types of funding:

1. ESRC Studentship (1+3/+3 funding)
2. Departmental Studentships (3 years funding)
3. Bursaries (3 years funding)
4. MA Scholarships

Awards are open to all fields of politics represented within the department, including International Relations, Political Theory, Middle East Politics, Public Policy, Comparative Politics and Public Opinion and Electoral Behaviour. See

<http://huss.exeter.ac.uk/politics/research/>.

1. ESRC PhD Studentship (1+3/+3)

ALEKSANTERI INSTITUTE'S VISITING FELLOWSHIPS 2009-2010

The Aleksanteri Institute is pleased to invite applications for Aleksanteri Visiting Fellowships for the 2009-2010 academic year from scholars holding a PhD degree and pursuing research that relates to the Institute's research agenda. The Fellowship carries a monthly stipend of 2200 euros to cover all the expenses related to the research visit that can range from two to six months. The Visiting Fellowship scheme is intended for scholars who reside outside of Finland. The deadline for applications is March 6, 2009.

The Aleksanteri Institute is the Finnish Centre for Russian and Eastern European studies and an independent institute of the University of Helsinki. For more information on the fellowships and on the Aleksanteri

Institute and its research agenda, please visit <http://www.helsinki.fi/aleksanteri/english>

Parliamentary Outreach Officer

The aim of the Outreach Service is to raise awareness of the work and processes of Parliament and to increase understanding of how the public can engage with Parliament. The Service will cover the work of both the House of Commons and House of Lords. It is non partisan - the aim is to promote Parliament itself rather than the work of individual members, or the government.

The Outreach Service is part of a wider strategy supported by both houses to strengthen the connection between Parliament and the Public. It is hoped that eventually there will be outreach officers in all areas of the United Kingdom

Background to the Service

Studies by the House of Commons Modernisation Committee found that people increasingly distrust politicians as a group, and feel disconnected from the institutions of democracy. Around 67% of the public feel they know nothing or very little about Westminster.

However, more and more people write to their MP about local, national and international issues.

The Outreach Service aims to address this lack of engagement by giving people a better understanding of how parliament works, and show it's relevance in modern society.

Delivery and activity

We are able to provide bespoke sessions and we have a range of session we can run from our main programme including

Passage of Bills

How to engage with Parliament

Introduction to House of Commons and House of Lords

The work of select committees

Speaker's conference

History of the building

Target audience

The Outreach Service is aimed at adults aged 16 and upwards, and will work with a wide variety of groups and individuals. This can include working with University departments and we would welcome any partnership working you feel appropriate.

For more information on the Outreach Service please contact:

Sharon Stanley, Parliamentary Outreach Officer

stanleysh@parliament.uk

Tel: 07917 488842

Or

Rebecca Fawcett, Parliamentary Outreach Officer

fawcetr@parliament.uk

SCHOOL OF POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES SENIOR LECTURER/LECTURER IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL AND POLITICAL THEORY • Ref: ATR802

£37,651 to £43,622 per annum (Lecturer)

£44,930 to £52,086 per annum (Senior Lecturer)

You will have a range of strong publications in social and political theory, an active research agenda and will add to the School's research profile. You will also be expected to provide research-led teaching at undergraduate and postgraduate levels, and to supervise research students.

This full-time, indefinite post is available from 1 September 2009.

Closing date: 12 noon on 17 March 2009

**Further particulars and an application form are available on our website:
www.uea.ac.uk/hr/jobs/ or tel. 01603 593493**

LECTURER IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS • Ref: ATR803

£29,704 to £35,469 per annum (Lecturer A)

£37,651 to £43,622 per annum (Lecturer B)

You will have a range of strong publications in international relations, an active research agenda and will add to the School's research profile. You will be expected to provide research-led teaching at undergraduate and postgraduate levels, and to supervise research students. We would particularly welcome applications from candidates with a specialism in international political economy, international relations theory or Middle East politics.

This full-time, indefinite post is available from 1 September 2009.

Closing date: 12 noon on 24 March 2009

**Further particulars and an application form are available on our website:
www.uea.ac.uk/hr/jobs/ or tel. 01603 593493**

Full-time Assistant Professor in Public Policy – specialized in cultural policy

Starting date: August 2009

The Department of Public Policy at the Central European University opens one full-time position at level of Assistant Professor in the field of public policy and public management, with a special focus on cultural policy.

The CEU (www.ceu.hu) is a graduate research-intensive university that specializes primarily in the social sciences. It is located in Budapest, and accredited in the United States and Hungary. Its mission is to promote academic excellence, state of the art research, and civic commitment, so as to contribute to the development of open societies in Central and Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union, and other emerging democracies. The CEU offers both masters and doctoral programs, and enrolls about 1200 students from more than 80 countries. The teaching staff consists of around 100

resident faculty, from more than 30 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) 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 Political Science and International Relations, including operating a joint doctoral program.

The Assistant Professor specializing in cultural policy will teach core courses in public policy and public management as well as one or two courses on cultural policy. This position includes responsibility for managing the DPP's cultural policy stream, which is a specialization within the MA in Public Policy.

Applicants should have a publication record in public policy and engage in high-quality policy-oriented research. Research and/or teaching experience in cultural policy is required; specialization in the fields of public administration and public management is an advantage. Minimum requirements include:

- a PhD in Public Policy, Political Science or International Relations
- a track record in public policy research
- ability to develop and deliver graduate courses in the field of public policy
- ability to develop and deliver graduate courses in cultural policy
- ability to produce outstanding academic research and international publications

The starting date for the two positions is August 2009. We offer a competitive salary, as well as a dynamic and international academic environment. Informal enquiries may be addressed to the Head of the Department of Public Policy, Nick Sitter (sittern@ceu.hu).

Applicants need to submit a full resume, a statement of purpose, publication samples, as well as the names of at least two referees who will write in their support.

To apply, please send your complete application package to: The Rector, Central European University, Human Resources Office, Nador utca 9, H-1051 Budapest, Hungary, E-mail: job@ceu.hu.

We encourage electronic applications.

Applications must reach the Central European University by Tuesday March 31, 2009.

Interviews will take place in May.

CEU is an equal opportunity employer.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PLACEMENT FELLOWSHIP IN THE DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

As part of its Placement Fellowship Scheme the ESRC welcomes applications from academics interested in working in analysis and knowledge transfer capacity within an inter-disciplinary team of natural and social scientists in Defra's Strategy and Evidence Group. The Scheme encourages social science researchers to spend time within a partner organisation to undertake policy relevant research and to develop the research skills to facilitate knowledge transfer within Government. The Fellowship will be jointly funded by the ESRC and Defra while the Fellow remains employed by his/her institution.

Project Title

A Science and Technology Study on Newly Emerging Diagnostic Technologies¹ in Agriculture: Exploring Attitudes, Behaviours and Wider Social Impacts

Length of Fellowship

Negotiable — 3-6 months full or part-time basis, with some flexibility in working arrangements.

Location of Fellowship

Strategy and Evidence Group, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Westminster. An ethnographic approach will be encouraged where possible, so some field visits are also likely.

Background experience of fellow

- Solid academic grounding in the social sciences
- Knowledge of scientific technology adoption theories
- Interest in policymaking and awareness of the Government approach to policy and research
- Interest in the impact and adoption of emergent technology in the professional and practitioner settings, and not solely consumer market economics.

Methodological/policy expertise

- A good understanding of applied research techniques including experience of both literature reviews and primary research
- Knowledge of qualitative techniques (and experience of applying eg soliciting opinion)

¹ The significant point of interest is the emergence of rapid diagnostic devices in animal and foodchain disease control sectors

- Ideally a knowledge of public policy practicalities surrounding the attitudes and behaviours of policy target groups (eg professional health technology users, animal food chain professionals) and of the wider legal, ethical and policy constraints on

Government intervention.

Other requirements or expectations

Visibility:

- The successful fellow will be expected to be working within Defra's offices for 2-3 days per week
- Willingness to engage widely with Defra staff, delivery agents and stakeholders to develop constructive relationships and systematically record their insights.

Pace:

- Flexibility to adapt to a policy environment, including the preparation of documents by agreed deadlines.

Application:

- A commitment to policy-relevant research and effective knowledge transfer in the policy setting. Strong communication skills (both written and oral), especially translating complex material into digestible but accurate summaries

Background to Defra and Fellowship

Defra's (<http://www.defra.gov.uk/>) remit covers the natural environment, the farming and food sector, rural communities and championing sustainable development. Its key mission is to enable everyone to live within our environmental means. This is clearly exemplified by the need to secure a healthy, resilient, productive and diverse natural environment, of which both animal health and livestock sector productivity is key. Defra is committed to evidenced-based policymaking, and manages an extensive research portfolio of natural and social science through both in-house specialists and with laboratories and agencies. The Research Councils and academic centres of excellence are key collaborative partners in delivering high-quality policy relevant research and analysis.

The Strategy and Evidence Group has about 50 natural scientists, economists, social and operational researchers, who provide analysis and data to support policy development across Defra, especially of high level strategies. These scientists (together with the Horizon-scanning and Strategy Teams) assess the impact of emerging trends and provide advice. The Group works closely with policy teams to assess the evidence requirements of current policy issues, devise appropriate analytical projects to address these and ensure that policy development benefits from the results. Additionally, scientists in this group work closely with those across Defra and with veterinary professionals internally and in Defra's agencies.

Insights into the deployment of new diagnostic technology in the agricultural sector: the role of a Defra / ESRC research placement fellow

A research placement fellow will contribute academic insight through two key activities.

A. Core research (ca. 80%). Use academic knowledge and experience to review existing evidence on new technologies and likely impacts on the user community, possible unintended consequences, and policy implications. Insights will also be obtained through interviews with professionals in the field. There has been some early thinking within Defra but the task will be left relatively open for the fellow to propose. The key focus is to try to ascertain the barriers and drivers towards adoption of new technology by food chain professionals and practitioners. The central context surrounds the emergence of new rapid diagnostic tests for pathogen and disease identification, likely to become more affordable and widely available in society, and which will impact farmers, vets and some other sectors. Some knowledge is available of the earlier impact of inexpensive, rapid user-focused test kits for pregnancy, but very little is known about the anticipated expansion of these kinds of technologies into more controversial social arenas. This is

a fascinating time to engage these issues and the project outputs will be linked to a major new Technology Strategy Board Innovation Platform which will create over £50m worth of opportunities for industrial development of rapid human and animal health diagnostics.

Outputs will contribute to Defra's understanding in the agricultural context and inform the development of this major drive towards molecular diagnostic technologies, accelerated through the newtechnology Platform.

The successful fellow will prepare a project plan within three weeks of starting. The fellow is expected to initially devote some time to talking with key people in science and policy divisions about how the work will be shaped. Applicants should be prepared to produce briefing papers and at least one academically published paper, which should be *submitted* for publication within 4 months of the work ending. The fellow will be expected to prepare a very short focused final report on lessons learnt and complete an end of award ESRC template report.

B. Additional responsibilities and interactions (ca. 20%). The research fellow will work closely with Defra scientists, liaising regularly with the project lead for research partnerships. The fellow will be expected to contribute as appropriate to other selected activities; this will ensure a balance of knowledge transfer in both directions. There will be opportunities to take an interest in other complementary work to ensure the fellow obtains a good understanding of evidence in a policy environment. The fellow will benefit from valuable experience of working at the heart of government and have an opportunity to influence policymaking and demonstrate the value of academic excellence. This is an important opening for a social scientist to develop his/her expertise in the science and technology study area, the work being linked to a major technology drive in a newly emerging area likely to influence future human and animal health policy and practice for years to come.

**THE CLOSING DATE FOR THIS CALL IS TUESDAY 17 MARCH 2009
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OPPORTUNITY FOR PLACEMENT FELLOWSHIP AT THE RISK AND REGULATION ADVISORY COUNCIL AND GOVERNMENT OFFICE FOR SCIENCE

As part of its Placement Fellowship Scheme the ESRC welcomes applications from academics interested in working in a research capacity for the Risk and Regulation Advisory Council and the Government Office for Science.

The Scheme encourages social science researchers to spend time within a partner organisation to undertake policy relevant research and to develop the research skills of partner employees.

The Fellowship will be jointly funded by the ESRC and Government - the Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform (BERR) and the Government Office for Science - while the Fellow remains employed by his/her Research Organisation.

Project Title

Responding to the Council for Science and Technology report "*How academia and Government can work together*".

6 - 12 months - flexible on either full or part time basis

Proposed start date

May 2009

Location of Fellowship

Government Office for Science, Kingsgate House,
66-74 Victoria Street, LONDON

Expected tasks

The project will involve working with a number of stakeholders across Government, including:

- The Government Chief scientific Adviser and Departmental Chief Scientific Advisers
- Senior policy officials in OGDs
- Members of Scientific Advisory Councils
- Members of the Heads of Analysis Group.

The project will also involve engagement with academia in supporting those leading on responding to the report's core recommendations to the academic community. The work will need to draw on other sources and reports like the British Academy report 'Punching our weight: the humanities and social sciences in public policy making', published in September 2008.

Skills required

Essential:

- The ability to design and implement practical arrangements to promote greater engagement between Government and academia on policy development and delivery – where, in general this will involve non-research and non-publishable outcomes. A major strand will be designing and putting in place world-class exchange mechanisms between Government and academia, and more generally working with academia and Government Departments to ensure a greater degree of professionalism in their interactions – for examples developing practical structures to enable academics to act more like consultants.
- A good understanding of the RAE and its successor to investigate whether a more flexible approach could be taken within the RAE so that policy papers could be submitted and assessed both in terms of academic quality and policy value to Government.
- Good influencing and negotiating skills. Awareness of political sensitivities. The ability to identify and then persuade people up to the highest level of the benefits of change.
- Excellent written and verbal communications skills, including the ability to present the rationale and benefits of this project to stakeholders in compelling terms.
- Experience of project management to deliver outputs against strategic recommendations, in this case the core recommendations of the CST report.

Output

To develop and deliver the Government's response to the CST's recommendations.

Background

The role of the Council for Science and Technology (CST) is to advise the Prime Minister and the First Ministers of Scotland and Wales on the strategic policies and framework for:

- sustaining and developing science, engineering and technology (SET) in the UK, and promoting international co-operation in SET
- fostering the practice and perception of science, engineering and technology as an integral part of the culture of the UK
- promoting excellence in SET education
- making more effective use of research and scientific advice in the development and delivery of policy and public services across Government
- promoting SET-based innovation in business and the public services to promote the sustainable development of the UK economy, the health and quality of life of UK citizens, and global sustainable development.

CST work on cross-cutting issues of strategic importance, taking a medium to longer term approach. In developing its advice it will take into account the cultural, economic, environmental, ethical and social context of developments in SET.

In October 2008 CST produced a report on how academia and government can work together. Academia already plays a key part throughout the policy making process, providing advice on a huge number of topics to recipients at all levels of Government. The diversity of the UK's world-class academic expertise means that it is a formidable resource for policymakers in the UK. By engaging with policymakers academics become involved in answering some of the most challenging questions faced by the UK, and their ideas contribute to national policy.

The CST concluded that the engagement between academics and policymakers in the UK is not as strong as it might be. A great deal of goodwill exists on both sides and strides have been taken in recent years to strengthen engagement. The CST has identified areas on both sides where improvements can and should be made. The report makes a number of recommendations to Government and academia separately, and jointly in some cases, in three areas. These are to:

- Build relationships and communication
- Build capacity to ensure a more productive engagement
- Rate, value and reward the engagement.

A summary of the CST's core recommendations is included at Annex A. The full report can be found at:

<http://www2.cst.gov.uk/cst/reports/files/academia-government.pdf>

The government has accepted CST's recommendations - as set out in Annex B.

This project is at the heart of the work of Government and its outputs have the potential to have a significant impact on the work of most Government Departments.

Annex A

How academia and Government can work together:

Core recommendations

CST recommended that Government and academia take action in three key areas:

1 On **building relationships and communication**, the core CST recommendation to Government and academia was that: Government Departments, Universities, Research Councils and Learned Societies need to work collectively to identify and create a set of exchange mechanisms, including world-class internship and secondment schemes, and promulgate them widely.

2 On **building capacity to ensure a more productive engagement**, the core CST recommendation:

- **to Government** was that mechanisms need to be put in place to further empower Departmental Chief Scientific Advisers (DCSAs), Scientific Advisory Councils (SA Councils) and Heads of Analysis to act as the core conduits for capacity-building between academia and Government.

- **to Academia** was that Universities should seek to improve and professionalise their capabilities and structures for engaging with Government so that they operate more like consultancy organisations.

3 On **rating, valuing and rewarding engagement**, the core CST recommendation:

- **to Government** was to identify criteria to assess quality within the major categories of academic engagement with Government; and identify mechanisms to incentivise each category.

- **to Academia** was to recognise and reward engagement with Government through academic career development.

Annex B

CST Report: How academia and Government can work together

Lines to take

- The main message in the Report is that academics and policymakers have a healthy level of engagement and goodwill.
- CST concluded that more needed to be done by Government and academia in three key areas:
 - o building relationships and communication
 - o building capacity to ensure a more productive engagement
 - o rating, valuing and rewarding engagement.
- John Denham has accepted the CST recommendations.
- GO-Science will lead in co-ordinating the Government response to the report.
- GO-Science will be developing an action plan during the first quarter of next year to take forward the CST recommendations.

Background

1. Government recognises that enhancing academic/policy-maker links is an important component of improving public confidence in the ways Government uses science and scientific advice. CST were asked by John Denham to investigate ways in which the interaction between academia and policymakers in Government could be improved.
2. The main messages in the CST Report are that academics and policymakers have a healthy level of engagement and goodwill, but more needs to be done to strengthen the relationship to ensure informed, evidence-based policymaking. These include worldclass exchange mechanisms between academics and policymakers; strengthening the roles of Departmental Chief Scientists; encouraging universities to act more like consultancies; and devising better mechanisms to rate, value and reward the relationship.
3. CST identified four key inhibitors to engagement:
 - Less than professional working relationships
 - Ignorance on both sides of what good engagement can deliver
 - A degree of mistrust between academics and policymakers
 - Failure to value the relationship

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Post-doctoral research position (Public Health Policy and Development)

Central European University, Budapest

The Center for Policy Studies and the Department of Public Policy at the Central European University invite applicants for a post doctoral research position starting in spring 2009. The successful candidate will help strengthen existing public welfare research at CEU by specializing in public health policy and development. He or she will initiate new research on the challenges of delivering public health services in low and middle income countries.

Candidates would be invited to carry out research that addresses one or more of the following themes:

- organizing and financing effective health care for graying or shrinking populations;
- public policy towards migration, informal work and care drain;
- tackling major diseases within restricted budgets and shortages of health care professionals;
- integrating public health promotion into development policy at national or sub-national level

This research would be expected to lead to synergies with on-going research at CEU in related fields. The fellow will be expected to help expand academic and professional

networks with national and international agencies, researchers and civic organizations. A clear expectation is that the fellow will produce a significant amount of policy relevant research and academic publications.

Applicants should be early stage researchers, with a PhD from economics, sociology, public policy or other relevant social science discipline. Ideally, they will have published in this field and be able to demonstrate familiarity with both inter and multi-disciplinary approaches. An interest in former socialist countries in Europe or Asia would be useful though not essential. As for pursuing their own projects, they will be expected to develop this research field through collaborative research with colleagues at CEU and elsewhere.

The post-doctoral research fellow position is initially for two years, although subject to review, may lead to a longer term faculty teaching/research position. CEU offers a competitive salary, a dynamically growing academic community of policy specialists, and a well supported research environment. The post is an ideal opportunity to take a leading role in shaping a new research field as well as engaging with a body of international graduate students through the MA and PhD programs in Public Policy.

Central European University (<http://www.ceu.hu>) is an English-speaking graduate researchintensive university specializing primarily in the social sciences and humanities, located in Budapest, Hungary and chartered as a degree-granting institution both in the United States and in Hungary. CEU's primary mission is to promote academic excellence, state-of-the-art-research, civic commitment, and policy studies in order to contribute to the development of open societies.

Those interested are invited to send the following application package: Curriculum Vitae, an outline of a research plan, 1-2 sample publications in English, names and contact information of 2 referees.

Materials should be sent to: Human Resources Office, Central European University, H-1051 Budapest, Nador u. 9., Hungary (Fax: + 36 (1) 235-6135, e-mail: advert@ceu.hu).

The deadline for applications is February 28, 2009. Those seeking more information on the position may contact Dr. Andrew Cartwright at cartwrighta@ceu.hu

CEU is an equal opportunity employer.

IBEI Postdoctoral Fellowship 2009

The Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals is offering one postdoctoral fellowship for the 2009-2010 academic year (starting October), renewable for a maximum period of two years. To apply for this position, one must have a Ph.D. in Political Science, International Relations or the equivalent, obtained within the last three years.

The recipient of this IBEI postdoctoral fellowship will carry out their own research and will participate in the teaching and the tutoring which is done in the IBEI Master's degree programme in International Relations. The position provides recipients with 28,000 euros per year, gross. All applications must be sent in by **May 4th**, 2009, the date when the selection process will begin. Interested persons must send a letter of interest, their Curriculum Vitae, a sample of previous research, an statement about their research project, and two letters of recommendation to the following address:

Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals
Research Coordination
Elisabets, 10
08001 Barcelona
SPAIN

or by e-mail postdoc@ibei.org

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Representations of the intellectual in Ireland

Editors/Dirigé par: Prof. Carle Bonafous-Murat

&

Prof. Maurice Goldring

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 31 MAY 2009

The editorial board of *Etudes irlandaises*, a peer-reviewed journal, is seeking contributions for a special issue on “representations of the intellectual in Ireland”, co-edited by Pr. Carle Bonafous-Murat and Pr. Maurice Goldring, to be published next Fall.

Despite Liam O’Dowd’s ground-breaking study, *On Intellectuals and Intellectual Life in Ireland: International, Comparative and Historical Context* (1996), intellectuals are still considered by many to be absent figures from public debate or recent academic research. Some even argue that the “intellectuel” is a sociological category more or less specific to France, and that its transposition into the field of Irish studies raises issues which have to be addressed seriously, including the vexed question of how to translate the word properly.

Accordingly, one might begin to wonder if the supposed invisibility of intellectuals in Ireland is not yet another example of the “absence theory” discussed by Stephan Collini in his 2006 book, *Absent Minds – Intellectuals in Britain*, about the place of intellectuals in the English-speaking world as compared with their role in the rest of Europe.

However, when dealing more specifically with Ireland, where the divide between the private and the public spheres does not seem as marked as in many other European societies, one might also wish to discuss the appositeness of a notion such as that of the intellectual. Irish writers, for instance, do not always occupy that position of exteriority which seems to characterize European intellectuals at large, and are more easily regarded as mediators of public opinion. In that respect, some of the most prominent figures of the Irish literary world since the 18th century might be used as exemplary cases reflecting some of the assumptions that this issue of *Etudes irlandaises* wishes to examine – Swift and his alleged role as mouthpiece of the Irish people in *The Drapier’s Letters*, or Yeats orchestrating a press campaign of great magnitude during the Hugh Lane affair. More recently, Seamus Heaney’s ambivalent response to those who, in the 1970s, wanted him to take sides unquestioningly,

might be reevaluated through the prism of irony, an oft-used weapon of intellectuals under duress.

In France, as elsewhere in Europe, it has become fashionable to herald the death, or the decline, of the intellectual. In Ireland instead, the intellectual does not seem to have a beginning and an end – rather he reappears at regular intervals, like a Phoenix rising from its ashes in times of crisis. The specific role played by intellectuals in the building of the Nation-state, that is in the 1910s and 1920s, is a case in point here. However, such periodisation may sometimes lead to clear-cut oppositions, which some of the essays in this issue might attempt to call into question: seen in this light, the often-stressed intellectual sterility of the de Valera years (1930-1960), only illuminated by isolated acts of resistance such as Seán Ó Faoláin's launching of *The Bell*, might provide a specific field of research and discussion.

These attempts at rethinking historical oppositions should not, however, preclude more general essays about the (re)definition of the figure of the intellectual in Ireland. For instance, in the wake of Jeanyves Guérin's recently published book on *Fiction et engagement politique – la représentation du parti et du militant dans le roman et le théâtre au XX^e siècle* (2008), adjacent notions, such as those of the committed artist or the militant, and more ideologically-charged concepts (e.g. the intelligentsia) might be explored in a specifically Irish context. One might also wish to trace the influence on major literary writers of the 20th century of some movements of ideas which have so far attracted little scholarly attention – for instance the subdued treatment of freethinking and free thought in the works of James Joyce and Samuel Beckett. This would entail the necessity to delineate as accurately as possible the frontier between intellectual life and religious thought in Ireland. If, as Bourdieu argued, the sphere of the intellectual is by definition self-contained and autonomous from the religious sphere, to what extent is this opposition transferable to Ireland?

Topics may include but are not limited to:

- intellectuals and their role in times of historical crisis;
- intellectuals and nationalism in Ireland;
- the various usages, including possible translations, of the word in French, English or Irish;
- the function of Irish periodicals in the definition and representation of the intellectual;
- strategies of commitment or disengagement on the part of artists and writers;
- the degree of autonomy of the intellectual sphere in relation to the religious sphere;

Submissions, not exceeding 7000 words (including footnotes and bibliography) must be sent by 31 May 2009 to:

Professor Carle Bonafous-Murat

Université Sorbonne Nouvelle-Paris 3

Institut du Monde Anglophone

carle.bonafous-murat@paris3.fr

Scientific project of the review :

Etudes Irlandaises is a **peer-reviewed** journal publishing articles in English and French which explore all aspects of Irish literature, history, culture and arts from ancient times to the present. *Etudes Irlandaises* publishes twice a year on a wide range of interdisciplinary subjects including: poetry / fiction / drama / film / music / politics / economy / social studies, etc.

General issues published in Spring alternate with special issues in Autumn .

Etudes Irlandaises is aimed at scholars, postgraduate students, institutions specializing in Irish studies as well as people who have an informed interest in the subject. Each number has a comprehensive section devoted to recently published material on Ireland.

For more information on style-sheet requirements:

etudes-irlandaises.septentrion.com

Sustainable Global Development Conference 2009

Call for Papers

University of Limerick

16th and 17th October 2009

<http://paulo.ul.ie/developmentconference2009>

Despite much progress, the development challenges facing the people of the world remain stark. While the last four decades have seen improvements in life expectancy, in literacy and education rates, in per capita food production, in availability of health care and in human rights and democracy, there are still notable challenges in each of these areas. Recent decades have also shown us that the needs of the present cannot be met by compromising the possibilities for future generations.

This higher education conference will be held in the University of Limerick in October 2009 and will address the theme of *Sustainable Global Development*. It is sponsored by Irish Aid, the Government of Ireland's official programme of assistance to developing countries. Papers

reflecting the latest research and practice in development education (theory, practice, methodologies) and in international development issues are presented and discussed.

Papers addressing aspects of global sustainable development will be welcomed from any discipline. Papers can take a variety of forms and creative and innovative ways of presenting sustainable global development research initiatives are encouraged. Submissions would be welcomed which highlight the experience of both women and men in sustainable development, as would those that highlight the personal experiences of development workers and of people from developing countries.

A number of bursaries to facilitate attendance at the conference by presenters from developing countries have been made available by Irish Aid. Information on bursaries can be found in “submission guidelines”.

Conference themes include:

- Education and Sustainable Development
- Strategic Cooperation: Universities and Other Educational Institutions
- Risk, Governance, Accountability and Legitimacy in International Civil Society Movements
- Images of Sustainable Development
- Data, Archives, Evidence, Evaluation
- Linking Local and Global Regenerations: Urban Communities and Global Development
- Rural Sustainable Development Policies
- Religion, Missionaries and Spirituality and sustainable development
- Sustainable Healthcare Practice within the Global Community
- Peace-building and Sustainable Development in the Great Lakes Region
- Engineering and Sustainable Development

EPOP 2009 - CALL FOR PANEL AND PAPER PROPOSALS

We would like to request proposals of either complete panels or individual papers for the 2009 meeting of the Elections, Public Opinion and Parties

(EPOP) section of the of the Political Studies Association, to be held at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland.

Panel and Paper proposals should be submitted using the online forms at <http://www.epop09.com>. Please be sure to fill in all boxes. Incomplete proposals will not be accepted.

If you are proposing a panel please note that all proposed panels should have a minimum of three papers and a maximum of four. All panel proposals should be completed using the online form, including an abstract for each paper.

If you are proposing a paper, please submit an abstract of no more than 200 words using the online form.

Please visit <http://www.epop09.com> for more details and to submit a paper proposal.

DEADLINE: Friday, 8 May 2009

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World Congress of Sociology

Call for papers is now open for the Research Committee 32 (Women in Society) sessions in the XVII ISA World Congress of Sociology, July 11-17, 2010 in Gothenburg, Sweden, see the complete RC 32 call text and guidelines in <http://www.isa-sociology.org/congress2010/rc/rc32.htm>

The deadline for submission of abstracts is October 1st, 2009.

Dr. Liisa Husu, Board Member of RC32
Hanken School of Economics
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An International Conference on Leadership through the Gender Lens: Women, Men and Equality in Organisations

October 22 - 23, 2009

Venue: Hanken School of Economics, Helsinki, Finland

Organisers:

NASTA Women's Leadership, Education and Development project. NASTA website:
<http://www.nastaproject.fi>.

Contributions may be drawn from a wide spectrum, including organization and management studies, human resource management, public sector management, feminism, equality studies, intersectional studies, business studies, postcolonial studies, sociology, industrial relations, marketing, entrepreneurship, innovation, education, psychology and philosophy.

We encourage the presentation of case studies, ethnographies, action research projects and innovative research methodologies. Topics include gendered contributions on:

- management/leadership development and management education
- impact of social, political and economic change
- organisational change, interventions and innovations

- international, transnational and comparative studies
- media images and representations of gender and leadership
- academia and scientific organisations
- organisational culture
- postcolonialism and diversity
- organisational justice and ethics
- work-life reconciliation
- discrimination and harmful leadership

The conference language is English, but a few practitioner-oriented sessions will be organized in Finnish. There is no conference fee but travel and accommodation should be funded by the participants themselves.

Abstracts of paper proposals (max 250 words) with a biographical note (max 100 words) should be sent by April 30, 2009 by email to Liisa Husu, liisa.husu@hanken.fi. The presenters will be notified on acceptance early June.

Practical information on the conference, including registration (by September 1, 2009), will be on the NASTA website www.nastaproject.fi. All inquiries should be directed to NASTA project manager Liisa Husu, liisa.husu@hanken.fi.

Intersections of Law and Culture

A cross-disciplinary conference hosted by the Department of Comparative Literary and Cultural Studies, Franklin College Switzerland October 2 to 4, 2009 in Lugano, Switzerland Submission of abstracts accepted until March 31, 2009 <http://www.fc.edu/law-culture>

Keynote address

Professor Richard Sherwin, Law, NYU

Confirmed participants

Professor Michelle Cottier, Law, University of Basel Professor Jeanne Gaakeer, Law, Erasmus University, Rotterdam Dr. Dominique Grisard, History, Center for Gender Studies, University of Basel Professor Elisabeth Holzleithner, Law, University of Vienna Professor Greta Olson, English, University of Giessen Dr. Thomas Scheffer, Institut für Europäische Ethnologie, Humboldt University, Berlin Professor Melanie L. Williams, School of Law, University of Exeter

Call for Submissions

We are especially interested in work that reflects on the differences in law and culture in the European and the Anglo-American contexts. What are the differences between the legal cultures in these distinct but interdependent spheres, and what are the consequences of these differences for the relationship between law and culture? We also want to know what the

philosophical, literary and cultural points of reference are for the European and the American systems, and to what extent these distinct frames of reference shape our work in law and literature, and in law and culture. In this same vein we welcome papers that reflect on issues of methodology, or that offer a comparative focus on interdisciplinary methodologies in the study of law and society, law and literature, law and the performing arts, and law and popular culture.

We welcome contributions that critically engage a number of core areas in the study of law and culture, including, but not limited to:

? Theories and Methodologies: How do literary, discourse-analytical and social-scientific methodologies contribute to the understanding of legal processes? What advantages and disadvantages are inherent in different contemporary methodologies employed in the study of law and literature, and law and culture? What contributions can cultural studies and literary studies make to legal studies? How can legal studies in turn contribute to cultural studies? What is the role of imagination in this encounter? What are the limitations of applying non-legal thinking to legal texts?

? Comparative Focus on Legal and Cultural Systems: Are literary and cultural practices in Europe different from their North American counterparts because they arose from distinct legal cultures, and if so, how do they differ? What philosophers and theorists make up the European frame of reference as opposed to the Anglo-American frame, and how do these different epistemological frameworks influence the study of law and culture? How is the relationship between law and culture shaped differently by the legal and cultural peculiarities of a given system?

? Gender and Sexuality: How does law help to produce gendered subjects, or sexual preference? How in turn do popular representations of men and women, gays and lesbians, and transgender individuals flow into legal processes?

? Family: How are conceptualizations of the family and lived family experience codified? Where do such notions come from? What sorts of family constellations are enabled or disabled by law? How do they reflect cultural representations of the family?

? Violence: How is violence conceptualized, criminalized and prosecuted in law? Is there a nexus of violence and law, and how is it portrayed in such vehicles as sit-coms, reality TV, films and novels?

? Science, Technology and Medicine: How do technological advances find their way into law? How in turn do laws encumber or encourage specific kinds of technologies? What role does bioethics play in this process? How do decisions concerning such areas as stem-cell research or genetically manipulated food filter into the media and other forms of popular representation?

? Migration: How do international agreements affect the understanding of national borders and individual or group experience? How are legal and illegal migration played out against each other in international agreements? How do cultural representations of “the other” influence legal processes in this area, and how in turn do legal cultures encourage particular representation?

We welcome single contributions (30 minutes), panel submissions (90 minutes, up to 3 panelists) and workshop sessions (180 minutes, up to 6 participants).

Suggestions of ways to break with the traditional academic models for panels and sessions in the visual and performing arts are warmly encouraged.

The registration fees are as follows: participants with full-time employment:

SFr. 300.-; with part-time employment: Sfr. 200.-; unemployed and students: SFr. 75.-. The fee includes a reception, 2 lunches, 4 coffee breaks and conference documentation.

Please visit our website to submit your abstracts and bios:

<http://www.fc.edu/law-culture>

Deadline for the submission of workshops, panels and single contributions is March 31, 2009.

ESSHC Ghent April 2010 - Gender and Women Network

The European Social Science History Conference (ESSCH) is the largest Europe based conference for historians and social scientists in all fields, gathering more than 1000 participants every second year. The next European Social Science History Conference will take place in Ghent, Belgium, from the 13th to the 16th of April 2010.

The Gender and Women Network is one of the largest networks of the ESSCH. Seventeen sessions are scheduled for the next conference. We would like invite all scholars working in this field to consider applying with a paper, a panel or a roundtable proposal for this conference.

Please register your proposal at <http://www.iisg.nl/esshc/> The deadline is 1 May 2009.

We specially welcome contributions dealing with Latin America, East-Central- and South East Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Asia.

The coordinators of the Women and Gender network Maria Bucur, Indiana University, USA, mbucur@indiana.edu Elisabeth Elgán, Södertörn University, Sweden, elisabeth.elgan@sh.se

Globalisation and European integration: 'the nature of the beast'

Friday 5th and Saturday 6th June 2009.

The conference invites specialists from the fields of politics, international relations, international political economy and sociology to build on their experience of applying historical materialist theories in empirical settings related to global governance and regional

integration, with an emphasis on the European Union (EU). Working papers designed to stimulate dialogue between invited speakers, Warwick research staff

and postgraduate students will introduce workshops in this two-day event.

The conference aims to stimulate interdisciplinary exchange on the historical materialist frameworks used to investigate the relationship between global governance, regional integration and the national state, with special reference to the European Union. It will also seek to stimulate a constructive engagement, in one of its panels, between historical materialist, constructivist and post-structuralist approaches to European integration.

The conference will showcase and challenge the most promising critical theories of regionalisation and globalisation, including neo-Gramscian, Open Marxist, Regulation and World-System approaches, with the purpose of generating useful connections and intellectual exchange. It will bring together researchers thinking about the creation and reproduction of social and political authority in a variety of settings. Truly interdisciplinary in approach, it aims to break down institutional barriers by forging interpersonal relations, and searching for commonality between fields and approaches which are traditionally considered incompatible.

Confirmed participants

Claes Belfrage; Andreas Bieler; Hans-Jürgen Bieling; Werner Bonefeld; Peter Burnham; José Caballero; Alan Cafruny; Guglielmo Carchedi; Ben Clift; Jan Drahokoupil; Otto Holman; Bob Jessop; Huw Macartney; Henk Overbeek; Magnus Ryner; Vivien A. Schmidt; Stuart Shields; Kees Van Der Pijl.

Call for papers

We are inviting abstracts addressing one of the conference's key themes:

Global governance, the EU and the national state:

- Sustaining or transcending international competition?
- The EU as a building-block or obstacle for global governance?

The EU and the global economy:

- The global monetary system and the single currency.
- Aid, trade and the relationship with the global South.

Social agency and European integration:

- Labour, migration and the EU: ideas, interests, and institutions in the regulation of the social

question in Europe.

- Global capital and the EU: transnational elite agency and the European project.

Regionalisation beyond the EU:

- The EU in global perspective: comparative analyses of the EU and other forms of regionalisation.

- Explaining regionalism and regionalisation in America, Africa and Asia.

Engaging Critical approaches to European integration: constructivism, post-structuralism and other

alternatives.

Abstracts should:

- Be no more than 250 words for a 20 minute presentation.
- Include your name, institution, level of study, department and paper title
- Be for an interdisciplinary audience
- Be submitted by March 15th electronically to globeuropeconferencejune2009@googlemail.com

Other deadlines:

Registration: 15 April 2009.

Submission of paper: 25 May 2009.

Registration fee (Friday and Saturday): £27 per delegate.

Includes refreshments, buffet lunch, and wine reception on Saturday.

Co-organisers: Andreas Tsolakis (A.A.Tsolakis@warwick.ac.uk) and Petros Nousios (P.Nousios@warwick.ac.uk).

This project is kindly funded by the American Study and Student Exchange Committee and the PAIS

department at Warwick.

Inside/Outside: 60 Years of Chinese Politics

20-21 August 2009

Hong Kong Political Science Association

Call for Proposals

The Hong Kong Political Science Association (HKPSA) is calling for individual paper or group panel proposals towards an international conference to be held 20-21 August 2009 on the subject of Chinese domestic and foreign politics. The conference will be held at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, co-hosted with the Centre on China's Transnational Relations.

2009 is an important milestone in the development of Chinese Politics. It is now 60 years

since the establishment of the People's Republic of China. In that time not only has China undergone massive change domestically, but it has had a rapid rise as one of the pre-eminent states in regional and global politics, both in terms of hard power and through public diplomacy. In this same period, Taiwan has undergone a transition from a one-party state to one of Asia's most enduring democracies, even as its foreign relations remain problematic. Hong Kong and Macau, the last remaining European colonies in Asia, are now vibrant Special Administrative Regions of the PRC. The impact of these changes – individually as well as collectively – will resonate throughout Asia and around the world for years to come.

With these issues in mind the HKPSA is calling for paper proposals on the following broad areas:

- Domestic Politics of China
- Foreign Relations of the PRC
- Domestic Politics of Taiwan
- Taiwanese Foreign Relations
- Cross-Straits relations
- Political Development of Hong Kong and Macau

All paper proposals should be 300 words and accompanied by a one page cv that includes current affiliation and a list of recent, relevant publications. Panel proposals are aggregates of paper proposals – up to a maximum of three speakers and one discussant.

Due date for receipt of all proposals is **Monday, 23 March 2009**.

Accommodation

Limited accommodation is available on site – both as singles and as triple-room apartments. For more information on accommodation please contact, Ms Meggy Wan <someggy@ust.hk>.

Conference Fees

Registration Fee (Non-HKPSA members): US\$50 (or HK\$400/RMB\$350)

Registration Fee (HKPSA members): US\$35 (or HK\$250/RMB\$220)

Meal Fee (lunches and dinner): US\$50 or 400RMB, including two lunches and

conference dinner.

All fees are to be paid by Monday 13 July 2009. Payment will be organised by Ms Meggy Wan <someggy@ust.hk>.

Please send proposals Attention: HKPSA, <someggy@ust.hk>. For any queries please contact either Professor David Zweig, HKPSA President, <mailto:sozweig@ust.hk> or Associate Professor Nicholas Thomas, HKPSA Secretary <ndthomas@cityu.edu.hk>

Deterring Terrorism: Theory and Practice

Date: November 5-7, 2009

Location: Center for Security Studies, Zurich, Switzerland

Abstract deadline: March 31, 2009

The Center for Security Studies (CSS) at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) in Zurich, Switzerland is organizing an international conference and compiling an edited volume evaluating the prospect of applying deterrence theory to counterterrorism. Despite the subject's practical and theoretical importance, deterrence theory has yet to be systematically and rigorously applied to terrorism. It is our hope to address these shortfalls and construct a concrete research agenda to further investigation.

We invite proposals that examine these and related topics:

- Deterrence Theory: Applying Traditional Tenets to Counterterrorism

Where does the logic of deterrence succeed and fail when applied to terrorism? What theoretical boundaries need to be expanded and addressed? How do asymmetries in power, organization, structure, capability, interest, and resolve inform deterrent relationships between states and non-state adversaries?

- Deterrence Strategies: Punishment, Denial, Mitigation, De-legitimization

Do particular elements of deterrence theory apply more readily than others in deterring terrorist adversaries? In evaluating deterrent successes and failures in counterterrorism, what methodologies need to be developed?

- Deterrence and WMD Terrorism: Threats and Solutions

How can states deter the acquisition and use of WMD by terrorist groups?

- Case Studies in Deterring Terrorism: Methodology and Evaluation

In practice, what does deterring terrorism look like? Are some terrorist organizations or particular elements of terrorist networks more disposed than others to the logic of deterrence theory, and if so, why?

Please submit abstracts of approximately 500 words to conference@sipo.gess.ethz.ch. Selected participants will be expected to provide a complete copy of their papers (7,000 to 9,000 words in length) by October 22, 2009.

For details, please visit http://www.css.ethz.ch/index_EN.

Challenging globalization: new perspectives, alternative visions, emerging agendas

The annual conference of the Global Studies Association, September 2nd -4th 2009

Hosted by: The Centre for Global and Transnational Politics, Royal Holloway, University of London, Egham, Surrey, TW20 0EX

Keynote speakers:

- * Faisal Devji (New School, New York)
- * Stuart Elden (University of Durham)
- * Jonathan Friedman (Lund University)
- * Robert Holton (Trinity College, Dublin)
- * Ronnie D. Lipschutz (University of California, Santa Cruz)
- * Walter D. Mignolo (Duke University)

The nature and dynamics of globalization have been at the centre of social science debates over the past two decades or so. Such debates have generated an enormously rich multidisciplinary literature and global studies has asserted itself as a key area of social science research. In recent years, the beginnings of a 'backlash' can be discerned and the expansion of global studies has been slowed and subject to sustained critique. As David Held has pointed out critics argue that 'globalization is no longer a useful description of social reality, not does it provide a cogent explanation of social forces shaping our world ... the world is witnessing the demise of globalization'. Is the study of globalization on the wane, or can global studies overcome the challenges? This year's GSA conference provides an opportunity to explore critical approaches to globalization and the challenges to global studies represented by a variety of perspectives, including but not limited to cosmopolitanism, transnational studies, and resurgent nationalisms, and importantly also offers an opportunity for global studies

scholars to challenge the sceptics and assert the enduring relevance of globalization to an understanding of the world.

The conference organizers invite proposals for papers which address themes of relevance to the conference topic, including:

- * alternative/multiple modernities and globalization
- * anti-globalization: bottom-up challenges?
- * the rise of the global non-West
- * teaching globalization: challenging students
- * global fragments/fragmented globalizations
- * the challenge of Transnational Studies
- * my global self: globalization and subjectivity
- * the limits of globalization theory
- *one world/multiple worlds
- * globalization in one country
- * the challenge of cosmopolitanism
- * rethinking global/local relations
- * towards a more critical global studies

Proposals for papers should take the form of a 300 word abstract and may be submitted on any aspect of the conference theme. The organizers will allocate papers to an appropriate panel. The deadline for submission of abstracts is **April 30 2009**.

Costs

Full registration **£265**

(inc. accommodation for 2 nights on campus, meals, registration fee)

Full registration plus GSA annual membership **£275**

Full registration plus GSA annual membership and free GSA annual journal subscription **£ 300**

Existing GSA members **£225**

Day delegate rate **£90** (or £45 per day)

Day delegate rate plus GSA annual membership **£100**

Day delegate rate plus annual membership and free GSA annual journal
subscription **£125**

Existing GSA members Day delegate rate **£81**

Student rate **£225** (full registration)

Other rates on application

For further information please contact the conference organizer Chris Rumford

chris.rumford@rhul.ac.uk

Further details of the conference can be found at: [http://cgtp.rhul.ac.uk/gsaannual-
conference-2-4-sept/](http://cgtp.rhul.ac.uk/gsaannual-conference-2-4-sept/)

And www.globalstudiesassociation.org

Theory and Philosophy Summer School

4-8 May 2009

Organised by the School of Sociology and Philosophy, UCC

The Theory and Philosophy Summer School is an intensive course in theories, concepts and methods of inquiry designed for the needs of postgraduate students & researchers, especially doctoral candidates, in the Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences, in Sociology, Philosophy, History, Anthropology, Politics, Languages, Arts, Literature and Classics, from universities throughout Ireland, Europe and North America who are developing theoretical and interpretive paradigms for their research.

Location: Blackwater Castle, Cork Ireland

Teaching Staff: School of Philosophy & Sociology, National University of Ireland, Cork (UCC), plus international guests

ECTS: 5 credits (with an option for 10)

Fees: 300 Euro (includes accommodation)

Scholarships: Ten bursaries of 300 Euro are available

Application deadline: March 31st, 2009

Application details and programme information can be found at www.tapss.ie

Applications and inquiries to: admin@tapss.ie

To optimize students' learning experience at TAPSS the number of participants will be limited to 40.

TAPSS is funded by the Irish Research Council for the Humanities & Social Sciences <http://www.irchss.ie/> and is in association with the Irish Social Sciences Platform <http://www.issplatform.ie/index.html>

Department of Sociology

Trinity College Dublin

Two Masterclasses

in

Qualitative Research and Migration Studies

An opportunity to work with two leading international scholars

Masterclass 1 Researching Migrant Life Histories

May 13-May 15 2009

Professor John Eade, Roehampton University

Masterclass 2 Qualitative Research and the Sociology of Migration

May 21-May 22 2009

Professor Ewa Morawska, University of Essex

In collaboration with the Trinity Immigration Initiative and the Employment Research Centre the Department is organising two masterclasses for doctoral students. Masterclasses are open to all doctoral students in any Irish university and are funded through the Higher Education Authority's Strategic Innovation Fund. There is no charge but participants are expected to pay any travel/accommodation costs. Participants are expected to attend all sessions of the masterclass for which they are accepted.

Applications must be sent to leslie.mccartney@tcd.ie before noon on Friday, 27 March, 2009; applicants must ensure that a supporting e-mail from their supervisor is sent to the same email address by this date.

Applicants are welcome to apply for both masterclasses and may be accepted for either or both masterclasses. In each masterclass registration will be limited to approximately 10 students in each class.

Successful applicants will be notified by Friday, 3 April 2009. Participants will be expected to carry out preliminary reading which will be assigned two weeks in advance of the class and to discuss their own research.

MASTERCLASSES IN QUALITATIVE RESEARCH AND MIGRATION STUDIES

Masterclass 1 Researching Migrant Life Histories

Professor John Eade, Roehampton University

Venue:

IIS Seminar Room C6.002, 6th Floor, Arts Building, Trinity College Dublin

<http://www.tcd.ie/immigration/css/downloads/HowToFindUs.pdf>

Dates/Times:

13 May, 2009

13.30 – 14.00 Registration and light lunch provided

14.00 – 17.00 Class

There will also be coffee/tea breaks throughout the day.

14 May, 2009

09.00 – 12.00 Class

12.00 – 13.00 Light lunch provided

13.00 – 16.00 Class

There will also be coffee/tea breaks throughout the day.

15 May, 2009

09.00 – 12.00 Class

12.00 – 13.00 Light lunch provided

13.00 – 17.00 Class

There will also be coffee/tea breaks throughout the day.

Return the registration form below to Leslie McCartney noon on Friday, 27 March, 2009 via:

Email: leslie.mccartney@tcd.ie

Post: Leslie McCartney

Trinity Immigration Initiative Research Officer

Institute for International Integration Studies

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REGISTRATION FORM – MASTERCLASS 1

Name

University

Discipline

Address

Telephone

Email

Supervisors Name

Supervisors Email

**In less than 100 words
explain how these
classes will benefit
your research**

Dietary requirements

Please check:

I wish to attend both classes (two separate registrations must be completed)

If attending both, in the event of oversubscription, I would prefer to attend Masterclass 1

If attending both, in the event of oversubscription, I would prefer to attend Masterclass 2

**MASTERCLASSES IN QUALITATIVE RESEARCH
AND MIGRATION STUDIES**

Masterclass 2 Qualitative Research and the Sociology of Migration

Professor Ewa Morawska, University of Essex

Venue:

IIS Seminar Room C6.002, 6th Floor, Arts Building, Trinity College Dublin

<http://www.tcd.ie/immigration/css/downloads/HowToFindUs.pdf>

Dates/Times:

21 May, 2009

13.30 – 14.00 Registration and light lunch provided

14.00 – 17.00 Class

There will also be coffee/tea breaks throughout the day.

22 May, 2009

10.00 – 13.00 Class

13.00 – 14.00 Light lunch provided

14.00 – 17.00 Class

There will also be coffee/tea breaks throughout the day.

Return the registration form below to Leslie McCartney by noon on Friday, 27 March, 2009 via:

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REGISTRATION FORM – MASTERCLASS 2

Name

University

Discipline

Address

Telephone

Email

Supervisors Name

Supervisors Email

**In less than 100 words
explain how these
classes will benefit
your research**

Dietary requirements

Please check:

I wish to attend both classes (two separate registrations must be completed)

If attending both, in the event of oversubscription, I would prefer to attend Masterclass 1

If attending both, in the event of oversubscription, I would prefer to attend Masterclass 2

University of York Political Philosophy Postgraduate Conference

29-30 May 2009

Legal, Political and Moral Rights: What are the Limits?

Plenary Speakers:

Professor Attracta Ingram (UCD)

&

Professor Simon Caney (Oxford)

In legal, political and moral spheres rights serve as a justification for actions and institutions. In each of these spheres, to claim the existence of a right is to claim the existence of something that we should value and respect. Rights, consequently, shape the way we conceive our relationships with others, the way we build our institutions and also the manner we direct our own lives. However, what are the limits, if any, of what we call rights? This question becomes especially relevant when we notice the emergence of an extraordinary number of right-claims in increasingly diverse forms: rights to silence, rights to disobey, rights not to be punished, rights to be punished, rights to life, rights to die, rights to be left alone, and so on.

The York Political Philosophy Conference 2009 invites research students in Politics, Law and Philosophy to present papers on rights and their limits. Each paper will have a discussant and will be followed by an open floor discussion.

The deadline for abstract submission (400 words) is the 1st of March (please refer to the guidelines in the website).

The Conference Fee (including lunches and conference dinner is £30)

For further details please visit:

<http://yorkpoliticalphilosophy2009.googlepages.com/home>

Or e-mail: ad546@york.ac.uk

ECPR Summer School on Analytical Politics in Europe, September 09

The **ECPR Summer School on Analytical Politics in Europe** will be held September 15-24, 2009 at the beautiful XVIII century building which hosted the Carlo Alberto Royal College in Moncalieri, on the hillsides of Turin (Italy). It is home now to the Collegio Carlo Alberto <http://www.carloalberto.org/>, a foundation fostering research and teaching in economics, finance and political science established in 2004.

The academic chair of the summer school is Fabio Franchino, professor of political science of the Graduate School in Social, Economic & Political Sciences of the University of Milan and research fellow at the Research Unit on European Governance (URGE) of the Collegio Carlo Alberto

The deadline for application is **June 30, 2009**.

Further information is accessible here

www.graduateschool.unimi.it/carlo_alberto_ss_2009.html
<http://www.graduateschool.unimi.it/carlo_alberto_ss_2009.html>

Creative Cities: Panacea or Placebo for Urban Policy-Making?

A half-day conference exploring critically the concepts of creative cities and creative economies and their role in urban and economic policy-making.

Monday 9th March 2009 9am-1.30pm

Arts Building, Trinity College Dublin

Keynote Speaker:

*Prof. Jamie Peck, **University** of **British Columbia**, **Vancouver***

If you would like to attend the conference we ask that you register as places are limited

*For conference details and registration, go to** <http://www.fius.ie/> *

For queries, please contact Sinéad Kelly (email: sinead.m.kelly@nuim.ie
<<mailto:sinead.m.kelly@nuim.ie>>, tel: 01 7083938)

or Enda Murphy (email: enda.murphy@ucd.ie <<mailto:enda.murphy@ucd.ie>>, tel: 01 7162810)

Should Political Theory get Real? Liberalism and the Challenge of Political Realism

7 May 2009
Birmingham, United Kingdom

Website:

http://www.polsis.bham.ac.uk/images/LIBERALISM_AND_REALISM_CONFERENCE_MAY_7_BIRMINGHAM.pdf

Contact name: Dr. Richard North and Dr. Steve Buckler

Drawing on Machiavelli, Hobbes, Nietzsche and Arendt, a number of otherwise disparate thinkers advocate a view of politics that is broadly 'realist'. This view argues that contemporary liberal political philosophy misrepres

Organized by: University of Birmingham

Deadline for abstracts/proposals: Not available.

Check the event website for latest details

IARCEES Annual Conference: 1989 - twenty years after

8 to 9 May 2009
Maynooth, Ireland

The conference will (1) debate the methodological implications of transition research, discuss (2) the history of socialist societies in 20 years preceding 1989 and review (3) current research on migration processes in the wake of 1989.

The deadline for abstracts/proposals is 15 March 2009.

Enquiries: christian.noack@nuim.ie

Web address:

http://www.widereurope.ie/news_events/36/call_for_papers%3A_1989_%E2%80%93_twenty_years_after.html

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