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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 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)

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September News

Gender and Politics Specialist Group

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Aims

The Gender and Politics Specialist Group of the Political Science Association of Ireland (PSAI) has two main aims. The first is to provide a central point for PSAI members, women and men, whose research is concerned with the study of gender and sexuality in politics. It will formalise and build productive networks among scholars (from postgraduate students to established academics). The specialist group will be a forum for discussion or research about gender politics. The second aim of the Gender and Politics Specialist Group is to act as a network for women in the PSAI whether or not their research is related to gender. The group has a commitment to encourage the presence and visibility of women in the PSAI and the discipline. The group will monitor the position of all women studying and teaching politics across the island of Ireland and will act as a network of communication and support among women in the discipline. Finally, the group will liaise with other associations concerned with gender politics, the status of women or with women's studies.

Activities

The Gender and Politics Specialist Group is committed to having a dedicated panel(s) at the annual PSAI conference. It also encourages its members to disseminate their research at other association conferences (such as the PSA, the ECPR, APSA, and IPSA). The group is a forum for professional networking between those working in the area and it is envisaged that there will be research collaborations leading to publications and research funding bids.

Members

The Gender and Politics Specialist Group welcomes members from across disciplinary areas and specialist areas within including politics, law, management, economics, business and history. To become a member of the Group you must be a member of the PSAI. You do not have to belong to an Irish university to be a PSAI member or to join the Group. Please contact Fiona Buckley at f.buckley@ucc.ie for details on membership and upcoming events.

The first business meeting will take place in November. Details of venue etc in next issue

ECPR Graduate Conference 2010 at DCU

The 2010 conference will take place in Dublin City University, Aug 30th – Sept 1st.
Further details in next issue.

The de Borda Institute

A DÁIL ELECTION OF A GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY, (GNU). A CONSENSUS EXPERIMENT ON ELECTING A GNU

18.30 on Wednesday, 7th October, 2009 in the offices of TASC, 13-17 Dawson Street Dublin 2 under the auspices of THE DE BORDA INSTITUTE, Belfast, pemerson@deborda.org tel 028 90711795

Many groups in society consist of persons with a common goal. Company boards, trades unions' committees, NGOs, sports clubs and so on, are groups of individuals of very diverse talents, working together for the good of the whole. The Dáil, however, splits into two, government versus opposition, and this despite the example of all-party Oireachtas committees and the Dublin Forum for Peace and Reconciliation. Thus one 'half' of parliament has a vested interest in the failures of the other.

A few states have resorted to Governments of National Unity, (GNU), albeit only temporarily: the UK during WWII, South Africa during its transition, and rather more permanently perhaps, some post-conflict administrations. The question then arises of how to appoint such an executive. Most resort to negotiations, often problematic and protracted; Iraq and Zimbabwe two extreme examples. So, rather than the Constitution allowing the Taoiseach {and other party leader(s)} to decide who should do what, why not an election? In a GNU setting, could the Dáil elect the cabinet? Or, in another scenario, could a single party elect its ministers?

If the Dáil as a whole were to elect a GNU cabinet by PR – either PR-STV or PR list – the question of who served in which department would still be contested. The answer is the matrix vote, so-called because of its two-dimensional nature: this allows the TDs to identify, in their order of preference, those whom they wish to see in cabinet on one axis; and in which particular department on the other axis. The outcome is bound to be an all-party executive with, in theory at least, each appointee serving in that department for which, in the consensus opinion of the Dáil, he/she is most suited.

To determine how this voting procedure might operate in a GNU setting, you are invited to attend a demonstration of the matrix vote, to be held on Wednesday October 7th, as per the attached invitation. If you would like to participate, may we ask you to respond to the de Borda Institute on pemerson@deborda.org by 30th September, 2009.

Irish Political Studies Data Yearbook Survey Results

Earlier this summer we asked members of the PSAI to complete a survey regarding the Irish Political Studies Data Yearbook and to make suggestions which could enhance the journal. We would like to thank all participants of the survey. Your responses were much appreciated and will be very helpful in improving the journal for future years. If anyone is interesting in

obtaining the results of the survey, they can be provided.

We look forward to compiling next year's journal and we hope that the suggestions you provided and the improvements made will make for a better Data Yearbook.

Many thanks

Vanessa Liston & Eimear O'Leary
Editors

Constitutional & Electoral Reform in the ECPR

Following the events at the Lisbon Joint Sessions when there was a shortage of candidates to be elected to the ECPR's Executive Committee, the ECPR Council proposed the establishment of a Constitutional and Electoral Reform Group in order to consider ways in which the governance of the ECPR might be improved, and especially the procedures it adopts for electing Executive Committee members.

The Group has now been created and, as part of the process of consultation and discussion with the ECPR membership, it has decided to **create a blog** to allow all those interested in making comments and recommendations to do so, at the same time as allowing others to respond with their own comments, thus creating a genuine debate. At the closure of the blog on **30 September 2009** the Group will consider all comments posted on the blog. The Group does not wish to restrict the range of subjects that might be covered, and therefore welcomes comments on any aspects of constitutional and electoral reform of the ECPR which might be pertinent to its work. It is recommended, however, that participants focus on what is practicable and achievable both in terms of constitutional revision (a copy of the Constitution is to be found on the blog page) and the ECPR's longstanding culture and practices as a genuinely European, multi-national organisation.

The blog can be accessed at: <http://blog.ecprnet.eu/>. You will need to register to start blogging.

Book Launch

Belfast Boys: How Unionists and Nationalists Fought and Died Together in the First World War (Continuum, 2009).

The above book by Richard Grayson has just been published and to coincide with its launch he will deliver the following public lectures in Belfast:

Monday 7th Sep, 6-7.30pm, Shankill Library

"West Belfast's Forgotten Battalion: The 2nd Royal Irish Rifles"

Thursday 10th Sep, 6-7.30pm, Falls Library

"Nationalists, Republicans and the British Army, 1914-1918"

ESRI Seminar Series

Research Seminar - The Public-Private Sector Pay Gap in Ireland: What Lies Beneath?

Venue: ESRI, Whitaker Square, Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2

Date: 08/10/2009

Time: 16:00

Seminar by Elish Kelly, Seamus McGuinness and Philip O'Connell of ESRI

No booking necessary. All welcome.

September Jobs

Chair in Peacebuilding _Coventry University Faculty of Business, Environment and Society

Grade: 10

Salary Range: £56,097-£71,070 per annum

Mode: Full Time

Term: Permanent

Ref no: REQ000041

Date Posted: 25-June-2009

Following a major award, the successful and innovative Centre for Peace and Reconciliation Studies at Coventry University has established a new Chair in Peacebuilding. This appointment is a unique opportunity to provide leadership at professorial level in the development of research, and contributing to the Centre's profile of research, teaching and outreach in the area of Peacebuilding.

The successful candidate is expected to have a convincing international profile as a peace studies scholar and/or practitioner, with a substantial record of research and publications in leading research journals of a national and international standing. Experience of INGO and/or policy environments would be advantageous, as would experience of postgraduate teaching including supervision of research students.

For further information on the Centre for Peace and Reconciliation Studies, visit www.coventry.ac.uk/peacestudy

In addition to the standard application form, you will also need to complete a Professorial application form.

This job is unlikely to attract a work permit. Applications from candidates who require a permit to work in the UK may not be considered if there are a sufficient number of other suitable candidates.

[Job Description](#)

Ref no: REQ000041

Closing date: 10-September-2009

Interview Date: Interviews are likely to be held on 8th October

How to apply

To apply, please complete the [application form](#) and [monitoring form](#) and return them to Human Resources by email on futures.hr@coventry.ac.uk.

Political Insight - Call for Applicants for Part-Time Editor

The Political Studies Association is launching a new publication in 2010 to coincide with its 60th anniversary celebrations. The new publication is called *Political Insight* and it aims to present research into politics and international studies undertaken in Britain and in the wider academic world to a broad audience. It will be published three times a year in an attractive magazine-style format using charts, tables, graphs and photos and printed in full colour throughout.

The audience will include academics who are interested in research outside their own fields of study, but it will be written in a readable, non-partisan and non-technical style which is accessible to policy-makers, journalists, teachers and students of politics in universities, schools and colleges, and engaged members of the public. Thus the aim is to provide a window to the world on all aspects of research in academic politics including topics such as recent developments in human rights legislation, new research into the causes of terrorism,

recent innovations in policy-making across the advanced industrial world, studies of the impact of globalisation on politics and society, and many other related topics.

The Association wishes to appoint a part-time editor to oversee the development of the new magazine and to work with an editorial board consisting of both academics and non-academics. The role of the editor will be to pro-actively network with researchers in Britain, Europe and in the wider world to solicit new articles, and commission features that will appeal to a wide international readership. They will be expected to be entrepreneurial in suggesting new topics and issues which the magazine can address, and to keep in touch with the academic community to recognise emerging fields of study. In addition they will liaise with the publisher on production matters, and to ensure that copy is supplied in a timely manner. Contributions to the new journal will be sought across the academic community from young researchers, to mid-career academics and senior professors, as well as from non-academics with an interest in political studies.

The editor will be paid an annual fee and have a budget for administrative and editorial purposes, which will include funds for paying contributors where appropriate. Experience in writing about politics for a broad audience is essential, and an ability to help academics to communicate their ideas as well as to present these ideas in an attractive way will be an advantage. The editor will work with and be supported by an editorial board who will be appointed by the Political Studies Association to reflect the interests of the broad target audience.

Individuals who may be interested in applying should in the first instance contact Professor Paul Whiteley, Department of Government, University of Essex, Colchester, CO4 3SQ, (whiteley@essex.ac.uk). Further particulars will be provided to them and the deadline for applications will be Monday 28 September 2009. The intention is to hold interviews in mid-October, with the first issue of the journal appearing in late March 2010.

24 August 2009

Applications invited for Editor

Founded in 1922, *Public Administration* (PA) is a major refereed journal with global circulation and global coverage. Consistently ranked within the top 10 public administration journals as defined by the Thomson Social Science Citation Index, PA has also seen readership expand dramatically over the past decade to reflect the high quality of its content and investment in its online presence. Annual submission levels have increased by 135% since 2000. Publishing articles on public administration, public policy and public management, PA's reach is inclusive and largely comparative in nature. A high percentage of articles are sourced from the enlarging Europe and cover all aspects of West and East European public administration, and in recent years the editorial team has made a conscious decision to build the journal's profile within Asia and the USA.

PA has three main objectives:

- To stimulate scholarly and practitioner dialogue in public administration, public management and policy analysis.
- To encourage critical, comparative analysis.
- To publish articles which are theoretically rigorous and of a broad and vivid current interest.

In 2011, Rod Rhodes will stand down as Editor of *Public Administration* after 25 years in post. Wiley-Blackwell is therefore seeking a new editor to lead the journal from 2011. Successful candidates would be responsible for the editorship of PA for an initial term of three years, with the option to stay on for one further term.

Applicants for the position should be well read across the board, with knowledge of current developments in the field. They should display a commitment to attracting the best

scholarship for publication in *PA* and to spending the time needed to actively seek out material and promote the journal. Editorial experience and familiarity with journal publishing will be an advantage and organisational skills are essential. Applicants will need to work both electronically, using an online submission and peer review system (training will be available), and flexibly, as workload varies according to the publication cycle.

Applicants will need to demonstrate that they would have the full support of their department should they be appointed, and be able to specify others who would be part of the editorial team. The *PA* editorial team currently includes a European Editor, American Editor and Reviews Editor, the terms of appointment of which will also come to an end in 2011. The current Journal Manager for *PA* will remain in post.

The Editor will receive an annual honorarium, with an annual inflationary increase.

Wiley-Blackwell welcomes applications from interested people within the public administration, policy or general political science field. Applicants are invited to apply with a C.V. and a covering letter outlining their suitability for the post, together with a draft 3 year plan for the journal reflecting their key aims for the future. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to attend an interview in early 2010. Closing date for applications: 30th November 2009.

Further information about the journal is available at:

<http://www.wiley.com/bw/journal.asp?ref=0033-3298&site=1>.

Applications should be directed to lucie.peplow@wiley.com Queries can be addressed to Lucie Peplow at the previous email address or to the current Editor at rod.rhodes@utas.edu.au.

September CFP

Beyond Citizenship: Feminism and the transformation of Belonging

(30.06-2.07.2010 Birkbeck, University of London); DL: 1.12.2009

The language of citizenship has, in recent years, been mobilized by feminists to articulate a wide range of claims and demands. The notions of economic, political, social, cultural, sexual/ bodily, and intimate citizenship, for example, have all been developed and explored in terms of their normative potential and their actual realization.

In Europe, in particular, there has been a strong steer from research funders and policy makers towards research agendas which address the question of citizenship in the context of increasingly diverse and multicultural societies. But, can the concept of citizenship encompass the transformations that feminist politics seek? What are the restrictions and exclusions of contemporary forms and practices of citizenship? How does the concept of citizenship deal with power, inequality, and difference? What are the problems with framing our desires and visions for the future in terms of citizenship in a globalizing world of migration, mobility, armed conflict, economic crisis and climate change? Does the concept of citizenship restrict our imaginations and limit our horizons within nation-state formations? Can it ever really grasp the complexity of our real and longed-for attachments to communities, networks, friends and loved ones? Is it able to embrace the politics of embodiment and of our relationships with the non-human world? How have feminists historically and cross-culturally imagined and prefigured a world beyond citizenship? Is a feminist, queer or global citizenship thinkable, or should we find a new language for new forms of belonging?

We invite proposals for papers that address these questions and the broad theme of the conference. We particularly welcome papers which explore the interface between the feminist academy and feminist activism, and which are interdisciplinary and innovative in method and approach.

Individual paper proposals (max. 200 words) or proposals for panels of three or four related papers (max. 300 words) should be submitted by 1st December 2009 to:

abstracts.beyondcitizenship@bbk.ac.uk

The conference will take place in central London. A limited number of bursaries will be available. For further information about the conference, visit:

<http://www.bbk.ac.uk/bisr/beyondcitizenship> or

email: beyondcitizenship@bbk.ac.uk

[luxembourg2010](#), IPSA Conference

March 18-20, 2010 - Jean Monnet Building, European Commission

Is There a European Model of Governance? A Comparative Perspective

The [International Political Science Association](#) (IPSA) is proud to co-host its latest international conference with the newly formed Luxembourg Political Science Association (Luxpol) and the [European Governance Program](#) at the University of Luxembourg. The title of the bilingual conference is “Is There a European Model of Governance?” and the general theme is European Governance. This conference will take place from March 18 to 20, 2010, and will attempt to answer the question:

Is There a European Model of Governance? A Comparative Perspective

European integration has led to the ongoing building of an original model of governance that needs to be assessed and compared with other regional integrations; the impact of European integration on member states and neighboring countries (regarding public policies, law-

making processes, political institutions and actors in general) calls for comparative research; triggered by or independent from European integration, new forms of governance (including political participation, delegation, decision-making, evaluation) that emerged in European countries also need to be studied; finally, the building of an original European model of governance may call into question theoretical and methodological approaches usually adopted in political science research.

Program co-Chairs: Wyn Grant (University of Warwick), Daniel Tarschys (IPSA Vice-President), Philippe Poirier (University of Luxembourg, Luxpol General Delegate) and Patrick Dumont, (University of Luxembourg)

A total of twelve panels will be organized in English and French around the general theme of the conference. Each panel will consist of a maximum of six panelists, in addition to two co-chairs, from different universities or institutions, who will also act as discussants.

A) The European Governance program at the University of Luxembourg is responsible for the co-organization of the following six panels:

1. European, National and Regional Parliaments and EU Law-making
2. EU Enlargement and its Social and Political Consequences for the New Member States and candidate countries
3. Institutional Systems Theory: Theoretical Perspectives
4. Human Rights in Europe in a Comparative Perspective
5. European Electronic Governance and its Results on Decision-making in a Comparative Perspective
6. The Renewal of Research on Europeanization Processes: Interdisciplinary Perspective

B) Six other selected panels (see Call for Panel Proposals) will be posted on luxembourg2010.org before Tuesday, September 15, 2009. Late submissions will not be considered.

C) Scholars and researchers are invited to submit paper proposals (abstracts) in English or French for all twelve panels (including those overseen by the University of Luxembourg). The deadline for paper proposal is Thursday, November 15, 2009. Submissions will only be accepted online at luxembourg2010.org. Late submissions will not be considered.

D) Lunch, diner and two nights at the hotel will be offered to all co-chairs and panelists by the Luxembourg Political Science Association (Luxpol) and the [European Governance Program](#) at the University of Luxembourg

Conference Coordinator for IPSA: Isabel Brinck, isabel.brinck@ipsa.org, +1 (514) 848-8748
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“THE PUBLIC CONSUMPTION OF KNOWLEDGE”

Knowledge Politics Quarterly Journal, Volume 2, Issue 2, 2009

The *Knowledge Politics Quarterly Journal* (<http://www.knowledgepolitics.org.uk>) invites paper submissions for the next journal edition addressing the theme “The public consumption of knowledge” are welcomed.

Knowledge Politics Quarterly Journal (KPQ) is an independent, multi-disciplinary academic journal founded in 2007, publishing original articles by established scholars, graduate students and non-academic practitioners. The topics covered by KPQ concern theory, policy and practice - including the media, the internet, broadcasting, technological development, and the social, political and economic implications of new information and communication technology.

The next edition will focus on “the public consumption of knowledge”. We are particularly interested in papers that address one or more of the following aspects:

- The role of the news media in generating political responses;
- The effect of media consumption on public knowledge;
- The moderating function of the public consumption of knowledge;
- The mediating function of public consumption knowledge in political communication research;
- Issues concerning freedom-of-information law; or the quality of privacy in the media domain;
- Issues concerning the development of intellectual property law in the information society;
- The political implications of Business and E-commerce;
- Media Consumption and awareness of environmental issues;
- Social Scientific contribution to public knowledge;
- Change and Progress in the public’s knowledge of politics.

We welcome both empirical (qualitative and quantitative) as well as theoretical or normative contributions. Please submit articles between 3,000 and 10,000 words in length, inclusive of any footnotes and a bibliography, and a 200-word abstract, in Word format or as an .rtf file to the editors. Please also submit a short biographical note (no more than 300 words). Submissions to the KPQ journal can use either Harvard- or Oxford-style referencing.

The **deadline** for submitting papers is September, 15, 2009. Applicants will be notified about the decision of the editorial committee by December, 15, 2009.

Book reviews

We also welcome book reviews on the topic “the public consumption of knowledge”. Articles must be between 1,000 and 3,000 words in length, inclusive of any footnotes and a bibliography. Authors should also submit a short biographical note (no more than 300 words) with their submission, in a Word document separate from the article.

About the editors

KPQ is edited by:

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Ishan Cader - Department of International Relations, University of Sussex

Fabro Steibel - Institute of Communications Studies, University of Leeds

Craig Berry - Managing Editor

For a full list of the members of the KPQ Editorial Board please visit

<http://www.knowledgepolitics.org.uk/about.html>

Submitting Your Article

All submissions will be peer-reviewed by two members of the Editorial Board as selected by the Editorial Team. Authors are required to alter their articles on the basis of feedback

received from the editor and reviewers, or justify to the editor why the proposed change has been rejected. All articles should be submitted to the editors:

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House Style

Articles must be double-spaced throughout, and must use the font 'Arial' or equivalent, size 12, justified text. Section headings should be lower-case and emboldened. Sub-section headings should be lower-case and italicised. For a full list of house style formats, please visit <http://www.knowledgepolitics.org.uk/submit.html>

60th Political Studies Association Annual Conference
Sixty Years of Political Studies: Achievements and Futures
29 March - 1 April 2010
Hotel The George, Edinburgh, UK

Proposals for Workshops, Panels and Papers

Proposals are invited on any aspect of politics. We particularly encourage proposals reflecting high quality research or which explore questions of politics in practice or teaching politics. In 2010 we are also calling for workshop proposals in addition to the standard panels and papers. Workshops will allow participants to engage more deeply with their special interests. Workshops can either be one-day meetings to take place on Monday 29 March, preceding the main part of the conference; these would typically have four sessions and around fifteen speakers/discussants. Alternatively workshops might run ECPR-style as linked sessions through the main part of the conference; there would typically be at least six and up to eight linked sessions, each with three speakers and discussant.

Submitting a proposal for a workshop

Guidelines for the submission of workshop proposals are available [here](#). Please fill in the on-line form [here](#). *We can only accept proposals that use this form.*

Submitting a proposal for a panel

If you are proposing a panel, please fill in the appropriate on-line form: [Specialist Group Convenors](#) or [other PSA members](#). *We can only accept proposals that use this form.* Please note that all panels should have a minimum of three papers and a maximum of four.

Participation by graduate students is limited to one paper per panel proposal. All panel proposals forms must be completed in full, with an abstract for each paper. It is the responsibility of the panel convenor to ensure all relevant details are provided. Panel convenors are also expected to liaise with the conference academic convenors, to advise them of relevant changes and ensure that presenters register for the conference and deliver papers by the due dates.

Submitting a proposal for a paper

If you are proposing a paper please fill in the on-line [Paper Proposal Form](#). We will only accept proposals that use this form. Before submitting a paper proposal we ask that you consider submitting your paper as part of a panel, either by consulting with colleagues in your research area or by contacting the relevant specialist group (details available [here](#)). If you do submit a paper proposal we will make every effort to include your paper in a panel, but individual paper submissions that cannot be incorporated into a panel are likely to be rejected.

Specialist Group Speakers Competition - details available [here](#).

The final date for the submission of all proposals is 15 October 2009 but earlier submission would be welcomed and is encouraged.

Viewing and Reviewing Panel and Paper Submissions

Please [click here](#) for information on viewing, printing, and reviewing your submission.

Academic review

Panel and paper proposals will be reviewed by the academic convenors and priority will be given to proposals that address the conference theme.

Postgraduate student support

If you are proposing a panel that includes a postgraduate student, or you are a postgraduate student submitting a paper proposal, you may be eligible to apply to the PSA Postgraduate Access Fund. Further details will be available on this web site in due course.

Programme confirmation

It is expected that a full conference programme will be agreed and published by December 2009. On publication, details of registration and paper delivery arrangements will also be made available.

Pre-conference registration rules

Presenters will receive instructions about registration once the programme is published. There will be an 'early bird' booking fee until February 2010, and after which date a higher registration fee will become payable. Once the conference programme is published, non-registration will lead to the removal of panels and/or papers from the programme.

Conference presentation rules

All presenters will receive instructions about paper delivery. By submitting a proposal, presenters agree:

1. to be available at any scheduled session at the conference
2. to present the paper(s) in person; and
3. to submit a copy of the paper to the PSA for publication on the conference web site in advance of the conference.

Once the programme has been published, changes will only be made in extreme circumstances. Presenters may withdraw a paper without penalty until 31 December 2009. Late cancellation is likely to result in proposals for future conferences being rejected. The final date for submission of an electronic version of paper to PSA is likely to be Friday 12 March 2010.

CONTACTS

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[Professor Charlie Jeffery](#)

PSA Conference Organiser (Newcastle)

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**- conference registration, publishers'
exhibition, graduate access**

Conference Web Site

[PSA Web Master](#)

- queries about submissions

POLITICAL STUDIES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE

SIXTY YEARS OF POLITICAL STUDIES: ACHIEVEMENTS AND FUTURES

THE GEORGE HOTEL, EDINBURGH, 29 MARCH-1 APRIL 2010
**BRITISH AND COMPARATIVE TERRITORIAL POLITICS
SPECIALIST GROUP
CALL FOR PAPERS**

In addition to our specialist group biennial conference to be held at the University of Oxford on 7-8 January 2010 (see separate conference call) we will convene a series of panels at the annual conference in Edinburgh on 29 March-1 April 2010.

We invite panel and/or paper proposals in two general areas:

(1) Sixty years in the study of British and comparative territorial politics: past research achievements; future research agendas. We hope to make a significant contribution to the conference theme by organising a series of panels in this area.

(2) Any area of research normally covered by the group's remit, relating to the politics of nationalism, regionalism and multi-level government and their implications for a wide range of political phenomena, including constitutional and institutional development, government and public policy, electoral politics and political parties, political movements and cultural change.

We are equally happy to feature new research by established academics as well as papers by researchers who are about to complete, or have recently completed, their doctorates.

The final deadline for electronic submission of proposals for papers or panels for inclusion in our Annual Conference submission is Friday 18 September. These should be sent to the group's convenors at the email addresses below. Please follow the guidelines as laid down on the PSA 2010 website (<http://www.psa.ac.uk/2010/>), as these are the guidelines that we have to follow when submitting panel proposals to the Annual conference convenor. Details of registration, accommodation, etc can also be found on the conference website.

For inquiries regarding the submission of panel and paper proposals, please contact the Group Convenors:

Dr Jonathan Bradbury, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Wales Swansea, Singleton Park, Swansea SA2 8PP Tel: 01792 295961. Email: j.p.bradbury@swansea.ac.uk

or

Dr Nicola McEwen, Politics, School of Social and Political Studies, University of Edinburgh, George Square, Edinburgh. Tel: 0131 6511831. Email: N.McEwen@ed.ac.uk

**Legal Subjectivity, Popular/Community Justice and Human Rights
in Latin America**

Hosted by CRASSH (Centre for Research in the Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities), University of Cambridge
22-23 January 2010

Keynote/Invited speakers:

Julio Faundez, University of Warwick, U.K.

Daniel Goldstein, Rutgers University, U.S.A.

Mark Goodale, George Mason University, U.S.A.

Cesar Rodríguez-Garavito, University of the Andes, Colombia

Rachel Sieder, Center for Research and Higher Studies in Social Anthropology (CIESAS), Mexico (tbc)

This conference aims to promote interdisciplinary debate among scholars of Law, Anthropology, Political Science and related fields in order to probe new constellations of popular/community justice, human rights and local forms of legal subjectivity in Latin America.

The conference seeks to generate critical analysis by investigating discourses on rights and justice as these are variously understood, adopted, resisted and (re)constructed through processes of communal justice (e.g. community tribunals, vigilantism) and by various agencies and legal subjects in the context of complex local social, political, and cultural settings (e.g. community leaders, NGOs, institutions).

The following themes form the principal junctions around which the conference will be organised. Participants are encouraged to critically engage in the following thematic strands: violence, justice, (il)legalities, the state, subjects of local/international rights, and identity.

Papers are sought which address these and related topics at a conceptual and methodological level while drawing on empirical research.

Abstracts of no more than 300 words should be submitted to Sandra Brunnegger at justice.rights.conference@googlemail.com by October 1, 2009, including full contact details.

Please keep in mind that due to the format of this conference, only a small number of papers can be accepted.

Key dates:

Deadline for abstract submission: October 1, 2009

Circulation of paper abstracts and panels: January 7, 2010

Travel grants:

Very limited resources are available to participants from Latin America to defray the cost of travel (awards will be made according to need and on a competitive basis).

Applicants should state in their application correspondence if they would like to be considered for a grant.

Conference fee:

The standard fee is £40 and the reduced student fee is £20.

Organizer:

Sandra Brunnegger, University of Cambridge

<http://www.crassh.cam.ac.uk/events/950/>

The 5th Annual Graduate Conference in Political Science, International Relations and Public Policy in memory of Yitzhak Rabin

The 5th Annual Conference of Graduate Students in the fields of political science, international relations and public policy will convene in the Hebrew University of Jerusalem on Thursday, December 9-10th, 2009. Students of political phenomena who work in related fields are also welcomed to present their work in the conference (e.g. Political and Law, Political History, Political Economy, Political geography, political philosophy, political psychology, and political communication).

The conference has two tracks:

Panels: This track holds panels on selected themes. Three papers will be presented in each panel, and participants will not be required to submit a paper in advance. A 90 minute slot will be assigned for each panel. Panel chairs and respondents will be senior faculty members. Consideration for inclusion in this competitive track requires the submission of an extended abstract (approximately 300 words).

Research workshop: This track holds thematic one-day or two-day research workshops. Participation in most workshops will be restricted to paper presenters (preferably doctoral students) and discussants (senior faculty members). A 60-90 minute slot will be assigned for presentation/discussion of each paper. Consideration for inclusion in this highly competitive track requires the submission of an extended abstract (approximately 500 words). Depending on the number of successful

applicants, workshops may be extended to two days.

Proposals for both tracks should be sent to gradconf@msec.huji.ac.il.

Deadline for submissions is October 15th, 2009.

Students who wish to participate in the conference are required to send the organizers a note with the subject of their research, their institutional and departmental affiliation, their academic status, the preferred track (workshops or panels), full contact information, and the name of their advisors. Potential participants in the workshop track need to state their commitment to submit a full paper no later than December 1st, 2009.

Martha Nussbaum, Cosmopolitanism and Global Justice

A two day conference to be held at The Centre for the Study of Social and Global Justice (CSSGJ) University of Nottingham

Thursday 6th-Friday 7th May, 2010, in association with The Centre for Contemporary Aristotelian Studies in Ethics & Politics(CASEP), London Metropolitan University

Martha Nussbaum is the Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics at the University of Chicago. From 1986 to 1993, she was a research advisor at the World Institute for Development Economics Research, Helsinki, a part of the United Nations University.

Nussbaum is a prolific thinker and writer, with a wide range of interests. Amongst contemporary political philosophers, she stands out as a figure who defends a more traditional, indeed Aristotelian, approach to current moral and political problems, based on the principles of essentialism and universalism, in a climate where the opposing principles of relativism and constructivism have come to hold sway.

Contributions which engage critically with Nussbaum's work from alternative perspectives are welcome.

Please submit proposals, including title and abstract, to the academic convenors of the conference,

Dr. Tony Burns, Co-Director CSSGJ, School of Politics & International Relations, University of Nottingham. Email:

tony.burns@nottingham.ac.uk

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Dr. Kelvin Knight, Director CASEP, Department of Law, Governance and International Relations, London

Metropolitan University. E-mail: k.knight@londonmet.ac.uk

The deadline for submission of proposals is 30th October 2009.

Tony Burns

Co-Director

CSSGJ

Kelvin Knight

Director CASEP

Call for Papers: Health Economics Association of Ireland (HEAI)

Venue: The ESRI, Whitaker Square, Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2

Date: 22/10/2009

Time: 12.30 to 5.00 pm

The Health Economics Association of Ireland (HEAI) holds regular meetings where work in

progress by participants is presented and discussed. The papers presented typically focus on issues of relevance to Irish health policy makers, applying health economic techniques to Irish and European data.

The next HEAI meeting will be held at the Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI) on **Thursday 22nd October 2009, 12.30 – 5pm.**

We are currently seeking submissions for the next HEAI meeting. If you would like to be considered, please submit a short abstract to either Anne Nolan (anne.nolan@esri.ie) or Samantha Smith (samantha.smith@esri.ie) by **Friday 4th September 2009.**

A final schedule for the afternoon and directions to the ESRI will be available in mid-September.

September Conference Alerts

2010 APSA Teaching and Learning Conference February 5-7, 2010 | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | Sheraton Society Hill Hotel

APSA is pleased to announce that the 2010 Teaching and Learning Conference will take place on February 5-7, 2010 at the Sheraton Society Hill Hotel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The Teaching and Learning Conference is a unique meeting in which APSA strives to promote greater understanding of cutting-edge approaches, techniques, and methodologies for the political science classroom. The Teaching and Learning Conference provides a forum for scholars to share effective and innovative teaching and learning models and to discuss broad themes and values of political science education.



Call for Proposals

The Call for Proposals is now open! Submit a proposal for the 2010 Teaching and Learning Conference:

[Review Call and Submit a Proposal](#)

Meeting Format

- **Themed tracks:** Using the [working group model](#), all meeting participants attend only one [themed track](#) for the duration of the conference.
- **Workshops:** In addition to traditional working groups, the conference also features special workshops that focus on practical issues related to teaching. In these workshops participants can interact with political scientists outside of their assigned themed track.
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

2010 TLC Program Committee

- **Tim Meinke (Chair)**, Lynchburg College
- **Marcus Allen**, Wheaton College
- **Mitchell Brown**, Auburn University
- **Erin Richards**, Cascadia Community College
- **Stephen Salkever**, Bryn Mawr College
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2010 Policy History Conference

Dates: June 3-6, 2010

Call for Proposals Deadline: December 30, 2009

Location: Columbus, Ohio

Website: www.slu.edu/departments/jph/conf2010

The *Journal of Policy History* is hosting the 2010 Conference on Policy History at the Hyatt on Capitol Square in Columbus, Ohio from June 3 to June 6, 2010. Program chairs are David B. Robertson, Paula Baker, and Amy Bridges. We are currently accepting paper proposals on all topics regarding political and policy history, American political development, and comparative historical analysis. We encourage complete session submissions, but individual paper proposals are welcome. The editors of the *Journal of Policy History* encourage conference presenters to submit their papers for possible publication.

The deadline for proposal submission is December 30, 2009. Proposals should include one (1) copy of the following materials:

1. Panel/Paper Description and Contact Information Page (template available at our website)
2. A one (1) page summary of each paper
3. A one (1) page C.V. of each panelist

Please send the materials to Policy History Conference, *Journal of Policy History*, Saint Louis University, 3800 Lindell Blvd., P.O. Box 56907, St. Louis, MO 63156-0907. Incomplete proposals and e-mailed submissions will not be considered. Please direct general inquiries to the conference coordinator, Cynthia Stachecki, at policyhistoryconference@gmail.com.

Travel Grant Awards

The Institute for Political History, a non-profit foundation, offers two travel grants in conjunction with the 2010 Policy History Conference to assist doctoral candidates and untenured faculty conducting archival research. The Hugh Davis Graham Award in the amount of up to \$2000 is awarded for research in 20th-century American political/policy history and American political development. The Thomas Critchlow Award in the amount of up to \$1000 is awarded for research in pre-20th-century American political/policy history and American political development. We are currently accepting applications. Deadline for application submission is November 2, 2009. Winners of the travel grants will be announced at the 2010 Policy History Conference, to be held June 3-6, 2010 at the Hyatt on Capitol Square in Columbus, Ohio.

For more information on the travel grants, application submission guidelines or the Institute for Political History, please visit our website: www.politicalhistory.org. Inquiries regarding the travel grants should be directed to the grant coordinator at: grahamaward@gmail.com.

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

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

Rhetoric, Politics, and the Obama Phenomenon

Dates: March 4-7, 2010

Call for Proposals Deadline: October 1, 2009

Location: Texas A&M University

Barack Obama's meteoric rise from a little known Illinois state Senator in 2004 to President of the United States in 2008 was made possible in large part by his exceptional media strategies and rhetorical performances. President Obama's image, words, and family have all become a part of the world-wide phenomenon that is Barack Obama. This conference will bring together rhetoric, media, and political science scholars to explore and analyze Barack Obama's image politics, communication practices, and rhetorical strategies. Scholars will present papers on such topics as the visual politics of Obama, Obama and leadership, Obama and civil rights, Obama's rhetorical style, and other topics relevant to the Obama phenomenon. Bonnie Dow will deliver Texas A&M's annual Kurt Ritter Lecture in Political Rhetoric during the conference on the image politics/media coverage of Michelle Obama. One goal of the conference is to draw together both established and junior scholars (including graduate students) who are interested in the Obama phenomenon. Therefore, the conference will feature both plenary speakers and contributed paper presentations. A second goal of the conference is to draw together a group of interdisciplinary scholars who are interested in the Obama phenomenon. Therefore, rhetorical, presidential, media, and political science scholars will serve as plenary speakers and respondents. Plenary and contributed papers and responses will be competitively selected to appear in a planned edited conference volume. Scholars interested in contributing a paper to the conference should submit a one-page abstract to:

Dr. Jennifer Mercieca

Department of Communication

Texas A&M University

4234 TAMU, College Station, TX 77843

email to Obamaconference2010@gmail.com (emailed submissions encouraged)

Deadline for abstract submissions is October 1, 2009; notifications of acceptance will go out November 1, 2009; completed papers are due February 1. For more information contact conference organizers Dr. Jennifer Mercieca, Department of Communication, Texas A&M University (mercieca@tamu.edu) or Dr. Justin Vaughn, Department of Political Science, Cleveland State University (j.s.vaughn@csuohio.edu).

Veiled Constellations: The Veil, Critical Theory, Politics, and Contemporary Society

Dates: June 3-5, 2010

Location: Seymour Schulich Building, York University, Toronto, Canada

Call for papers deadline: October 1, 2009

Website: www.veiledconstellations.com/callforpapers.html

This conference offers a forum to problematize the prevailing discourses surrounding the veil while exploring the veil's subversive potential. The extent to which the veil can erode, or even invert power and oppression is, with the exception of various Islam-inspired positions, an overlooked and under-explored area of academic theorizing. We ask what new insights may be unearthed in

moving beyond the impetus to repudiate, fear, or adore the veil. This conference is a unique opportunity to discuss those contested voices situated within the interstices of the liberal, conservative and Islamic constellations, and, in the process, to re-evaluate the veil in an entirely new light by intersecting multiple disciplinary perspectives. Perhaps as importantly, we see the appraisal of critical theory in moving theory beyond the mainstream discursive impasse as central to epistemological responsibility and accountability. This event will highlight highly innovative and thought-provoking approaches to not only the Islamic veil, but the veil as such. We envision the rich insights of critical inquiry as an under-utilized terrain that may help unpack the current intellectual discourse on the veil. Essentially, we seek a different kind of conversation and a different set of lexical and philosophical devices to navigate the many paradoxes that the veil represents. From our perspective, part of this conversation should address the relationship between theory and policy as it pertains to the veil and Muslims in contemporary society. We imagine that some innovation in addressing the real and perceived contradictions of the veil could meaningfully contribute to policy discussions. Specifically, we would like to consider the effects of re-interpretations of the veil on the personal, social, and political life of veiled people. The act of pursuing novel political spaces (re-conceptualizing the veil and advancing new forms of understanding) may have the concomitant effect of advertently or inadvertently bridging disparate communities, and potentially easing domestic policy efforts to control, contain, and assimilate veiled people. Such theorizing may encourage the re-examination of foreign policy approaches towards Muslim societies by providing the necessary intellectual atmosphere to transcend fear and enter constructive dialogue. Participants of this conference will therefore be encouraged to relate radical reinterpretations of the veil to the religion of Islam, and the relationship(s) between Muslims and contemporary society.

How to submit proposals for participation:

Proposals for papers, films, or other formats should include:

- 1) Paper/project title
- 2) Name and contact information (mail, email, phone, affiliations)
- 3) Bio (approx. 50 words)
- 4) Abstract (maximum 150 words)
- 5) Technology needs for presentation (please be specific)
- 6) Translation needs, if applicable
- 7) Desire to present via teleconferencing/video-conferencing

Proposals for panels and roundtables should include:

- 1) Panel/roundtable title
- 2) Name and contact information (and paper title, if applicable) for each presenter (mail, email, phone, affiliations)
- 3) Bio of each speaker (approx. 50 words for each speaker)
- 4) Abstract explaining the panel/roundtable's focus (maximum 150 words)
- 5) Names and contact information (mail, email, phone, affiliations) for any discussant(s) or respondent(s)
- 6) Technology needs of presentations (please be specific)
- 7) Translation needs, if applicable
- 8) Desire to present via teleconferencing/videoconferencing

Please send complete proposal submissions to:

submissions@veiledconstellations.com by Thursday, October 1, 2009

English and German Nationalist and Anti-Semitic Discourse

Dates: 10-11 September 2010

Call for Proposals Deadline: 15 January 2010

Location: Queen Mary, University of London

Website: <http://www.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/research/nationalismproject/>

The Historical Discourse Working Group would like to announce its first international conference, ENGLISH AND GERMAN NATIONALIST AND ANTI-SEMITIC DISCOURSE, to be held at Queen Mary, University of London on 10-11 September 2010.

The conference organisers, Professor Felicity Rash and Dr Stefan Baumgarten, invite proposals in the form of abstracts of about 150-200 words on relevant topics in the analysis of pre-1945 nationalist, colonialist or anti-Semitic discourse. We welcome contributions which discuss issues of methodology or which adopt interdisciplinary approaches, and we hope to foster debate on points of contact between linguistics and the historical analysis of political and ideological discourse. We would be particularly interested in contributions on nationalist figures who are less well-represented in discourse research. It is hoped that academic colleagues at all levels of their careers, including postgraduate students, will offer to present papers or lead workshops.

The conference will be one of the events organised as part of the major research project, The Discourse of German Nationalism and Anti-Semitism 1871-1924, funded by the Leverhulme Trust and led by Prof. Felicity Rash and Dr Geraldine Horan. The project web-site will be live from 1 June 2009.

Key note speakers will include Ruth Wodak and Andreas Musolff. It is intended that the conference proceedings will be published. Please send expression of interest and abstracts to Dr Stefan Baumgarten by 15 January 2010; email: s.baumgarten@qmul.ac.uk