

Social Science News

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Information/News

Call for papers: Conferences/Workshops/Summer Schools/Journals/Publications
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Call for papers Conferences

Mobile Research Conference 2009 (MRC 2009)

Date: February 16-17, 2009

Site: London, UK

Organiser: Globalpark AG

Topics: Scholars and practitioners are invited to submit abstracts for competitive papers or posters related to at least one of the following areas: Issues in mobile survey research with a strong emphasis on estimating and/or reducing survey errors (i.e., coverage, sampling, measurement, and nonresponse errors); Cost efficiency of using mobile technology in survey research (i.e. cost-error balance of mobile survey research); Contributions aimed at predicting and explaining mobile technology usage; Comparative studies using mobile technology, e.g. within multi-mode data collection frameworks or cross-cultural contexts; Technological advances in using mobile devices, applications, and procedures for primary data collection.

Language: English

Deadline: ongoing

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(source: Internet)

Urban Transformations: Public and Private Practices for Social Change Conference

Date: March 20-21, 2009

Site: Washington, USA

Organiser: The Graduate Leadership Council, Kennedy Political Union and Student Government at American University

Topics: Urban Transformations is an interdisciplinary conference intended to bring faculty, students, and all agents of change from around the country into a critical discussion of the state of local, national and international cities. Participants will have the opportunity to present their research on panels with active and engaging audiences. The conference themes are: Gentrification and Urban Renewal; Public and Private Governance; Language, Sexuality & Citizenship; Public Health and Environmental Justice.

Language: English

Deadline: January 15, 2009

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Internet: <http://www.auglc.com/americancitiesconference>

(source: Internet)

Globalization and Human Rights in the Developing World

Date: March 21- 22, 2009

Site: Calgary, Canada

Organiser: Asia Association for Global Studies (AAGS)

Topics: This conference will gather together scholars and others interested in the impact of globalization on human rights. Conference organizers invite paper proposals on the following themes as they relate to globalization and human rights in the above three world regions (though other themes will be considered): transnational corporations, social movements, global governance, democracy, labour, gender, health and wellbeing, education, poverty and wealth, refugees, displaced persons, indigenous peoples, food issues.

Language: English

Deadline: January 01, 2009

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Internet: http://asia-globalstudies.org/call_for_papers_2009
(source: Internet)

War, Virtual War and Human Security

Date: May 01- 03, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Inter-Disciplinary.Net

Topics: This inter-disciplinary and multi-disciplinary conference seeks to provide a challenging forum for the examination and evaluation of the nature, purpose and experience of war, and its impacts on all aspects of security, human security and to communities across the world. Viewing war as a multi-layered, multi-factorial phenomenon, the conference series seeks to explore the historical, legal, social, human, religious, economic, and political contexts of conflicts, and assess the place of art, journalism, literature, music, the media and the Internet in representation and interpretation of the experience of warfare. In particular papers, workshops, reports, and presentations are invited on any of the following themes: How do we Talk about and Describe War? Representations and Experiences; History and Development of Warfare and War Fighting; Extent, Conduct and Morality; Human Rights and Human Security; The Boundaries of War; Prevention and Peace; Non-state Actors and NGOs in War; Future War: Revolutions in Military Affairs – Emerging Types of Warfare. The conference is part of the 'Probing the Boundaries' programme of research projects. It aims to bring together people from different areas and interests to share ideas and explore various discussions which are innovative and exciting.

Language: English

Fee: 295 €

Deadline: February 27, 2009

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(source: Internet)

Enlargement – Five Years After: The State of European Integration and New Challenges for the Discipline

Date: May 08- 09, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Arbeitskreis Integrationsforschung (AKI/DVPW), University Association for Contemporary European Studies (UACES)

Topics: The conference is intended to be a major stock-taking exercise in the discipline of European Studies. Enlargement has triggered substantial new research within the discipline. This two-day international conference addresses researchers working in the broader field of European Studies including political science, law, economics, history and sociology. The event features a mix of pre-organized plenary sessions, four research paper sessions and a keynote address by a senior policy-maker from one of the new member states. The plenary sessions focus on institutional development, foreign affairs and the EU's neighborhood, as well as social policy respectively. The research paper sessions will review a number of recent researches on enlargement and policy-making within the specific context of a Union of 27.

Language: English

Deadline: December 10, 2008

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Internet: <http://www.events.myzen.co.uk/conferences/index.php/ceu/budapest>
(source: Internet)

Society-Culture-Technology at the Dawn of the 21st Century

Date: May 21-22, 2009

Site: Kraków, Poland

Organiser: AGH University of Science and Technology, Faculty of Humanities

Topics: The problems to be discussed at the Conference will be related to today's visions of the intermingling of structure and culture, in both the regional and the global dimension, including, in particular, the impact of new technologies upon the dynamics of structural and cultural transformations. Suggested are the following tentative topics: communication in the social and individual life of humans, culture and economy in knowledge-based societies, biotechnologies: their social and cultural significance, natural environment as a space for impact of social technologies, technocracy and democracy, sustainable development in postmodern social theories, relations between new media and contemporary culture and art, science and technology as culture, spirituality and new patterns of behaviour: their relation to contemporary forms of rationality. This Conference will provide the opportunity for discussion and presentation of research findings. The Conference participants will have a chance to exchange scholarly experience and initiate cooperation with representatives of various academic centres.

Language: English, Polish

Fee: 400 Polish zloty (or 130 Euro)

Deadline: February 28, 2009. The abstracts (no more than 2500 signs with spaces) will be accepted only *via* the website.

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(source: e-mail from the organizers)

Science and Values: the Politicisation of Science

Date: May 25-30, 2009

Site: Bielefeld, Germany

Organiser: The European Science Foundation (ESF), Center for Interdisciplinary Research (ZiF)

Topics: The topics of these conferences will be politicization, commercialization, and medialization of science, respectively. A general worry in this field is that the inclusion of sociopolitical values in the confirmation practice of science tends to undercut the objectivity of science. The conference will bring together the knowledge and reflective competence of three disciplines, including the history, philosophy, and sociology of science. Such analyses of experts from science studies will be enriched with the experience and understanding of the practitioners, i.e., scientists working under value-related pressure (as it arises from practical challenges and social demands). In addition, representatives of relevant social groups (such as stakeholders) and the media will be included where appropriate.

Language: English

Fee: 550- 750€

Deadline: February 22, 2009

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(source: Internet)

The United States and the World: from Imitation to Challenge

Date: May 29-30, 2009

Site: Krakow, Poland

Organiser: Chair of American Studies, Jagiellonian University

Topics: This two-day conference will explore various aspects of the mutual connections between the United States and the world. It will concentrate on the problem of the model of American democracy, the presidential system, American politics, society, culture, and the world's reflections about them – from imitation to challenge. The conference aims to provide a forum for discussion of a range of ideas concerning the above-mentioned topic, and the conference will reflect on the significance of this phenomenon in current research. The conference will provide an exciting opportunity for colleagues to debate new developments in the field, and it is hoped that selected conference papers will form the basis of an edited collection. Papers are welcome from individuals and/or panels (of not more than four papers) that explore one of three broad themes: The American impact on the world: normative and analytical aspects (Integration in Pax Americana and patterns of integration in other parts of the world, different and/or similar approaches to challenges to international order and dealing with international threats, continuity and change in politics); The American "export" of values: separation of church and state, human rights, idea of sovereignty, the rule of separation of powers, the rule of accountability, modern federalism, democratization patterns, presidentialism; The American credo, Americanism, American Studies: in search for a definition of America. American exceptionalism and uniqueness, contemporary American society, impact of/on American values.

Language: English

Deadline: January 15, 2009

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(source: Internet)

Conference on Baltic studies in Europe 2009: The Baltics as an Intersection of Civilizational Identities

Date: June 11-14, 2009

Site: Vytautas Magnus University

Organiser: Kaunas, Lithuania

Topics: The conference aims at bringing together representatives of academic communities who share an interest in exploring the Baltic region from multiple perspectives. Baltic region studies are considered as a particular historical, political, linguistic, social, cultural and ideological contact zone where the meanings of identities, languages, and relationships are renegotiated. The conference will feature panels in the following disciplinary and interdisciplinary areas: Political Science, International Relations and Law; History, Memory and Identities; Sociology, Demography, Gender Studies; Economics and Environment; Media Communication and Technologies; Linguistics and Literature; Ethnology, Folklore and Religion; Philosophy, Culture and Arts; Advancing Baltic Studies.

Language: English

Deadline: February 01, 2009

Contact:

Internet: <http://www.vdu.lt/balticstudies2009>

(source: Internet)

ESRA 2009

Date: June 29- July 03, 2009

Site: Warsaw, Poland

Organiser: The European Survey Research Association (ESRA)

Topics: The topics of the conference are: Substantive Applications of Survey Methodology, Sampling and Nonresponse, Data Archive Teaching, Design and Quality of Survey Questions, Adding Data to Surveys, Mode of Data Collection and Data Enhancement, Social Indicators, Data Analysis, Qualitative Methods, Comparative Research, Fieldwork Monitoring, Special Issues related to Survey Research.

Language: English

Deadline: February 01, 2009

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(source: Internet)

The Anxiety of Belonging: Partitions, Reunifications, Modernity

Date: July 15-17, 2009

Site: Cardiff, UK

Organiser: The Centre for Critical and Cultural Theory at Cardiff University

Topics: This an interdisciplinary conference to explore the social, cultural, and historical dimensions of Partitions and Reunifications and relate historically located Partitions and Reunifications within contemporary discourses of nationalism, the postnational and the global. The broad themes of the conference will include: Comparative partitions and reunifications; The importance of partition study in the face of the declining nation-state and the postnational; The reshaping of knowledge in the wake of a partition or a reunification (for instance, what impact does the loss of archives at partition have on a new nation's knowledge production?); The impact of partitions and reunifications on the discourse of diaspora; The meaning of reunifications in the face of globalization; The re-imagination of the nation-state and reunifications; Race, ethnicity and religion in partitions and reunifications; Gender, sexuality, identity and partitions and reunifications; Indigenous populations and their relation to a segregated nation-space; Memory, Trauma, and Forgetting.

Language: English

Deadline: December 15, 2008

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(source: Internet)

ESEA 2009: European Society or European Societies?

Date: September 02-05, 2009

Site: Lisboa, Portugal

Organiser: The European Sociological Association

Topics: The topic of the Conference is "European Society or European Societies?" The aim is to consider whether we can look at European society as an increasingly cohesive entity or whether divisions of nation, class, ethnicity, region, gender and so on continue to be more salient. Traditionally, the nation state has been explicitly or implicitly the unit of analysis in European sociology. But is the nation state the most appropriate unit through which to explore European society or should we be trying to find other perspectives? This raises the issue of whether there is convergence or divergence between regions in the European area. A particular focus of the Conference will be upon the role of sociology in helping to understand the European area and how sociologists from different countries and different traditions can work together to meet this challenge.

Language: English

Deadline: ongoing

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(source: Internet)

History and Subjectivity in Russia (late 19th - 20th centuries)

Date: June 2010

Site: St. Petersburg, Russian Federation

Organiser: The St. Petersburg Institute of History of the Russian Academy of Sciences, the European University of St. Petersburg, and Rutgers University

Topics: The goal of the conference is to explore how concepts of selfhood shaped politics, society, and identities in Russia over the last hundred years. The conference draws attention to dialogical practices through which individuals in Russia appropriated or modified the "blueprints" of identities prescribed by political, intellectual, religious, or cultural authorities, such as activists, professionals, academic experts, artists, or priests. The conference seeks to engage with historical processes through the analytical lens of the self. It will

examine the presuppositions about human behaviour and the ideals of "personality" and humanity on the part of state and cultural authorities from the late Imperial period to the breakup of the Soviet Union; it will follow how these notions were set into motion over the course of a long century of war and revolution; and it will study their effects on the lives, personal horizons, and self-understandings of individuals. The organizers invite paper proposals, based on original archival or ethnographic research, from specialists in different disciplines and across disciplines-history, literary studies, cultural anthropology and sociology, history of science and religion, film and media studies, art history-working on questions of identity and subjectivity.

Language: English

Deadline: June 01, 2009

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Call for papers Workshops

Jean Monnet Seminar - Advanced Issues of European Law

Date: April 19-26, 2009

Site: Dubrovnik, Croatia

Organiser: Jean Monnet Chair of European Public Law, University of Zagreb, Faculty of Law

Topics: The Seminar is aimed for: undergraduate and graduate students of law, doctoral students and researchers, junior public servants. A limited number of travel and subsistence grants will be offered to participants presenting a research paper. Deadline for submission of abstracts (500 words) is January 15, 2009. Selected candidates will be invited to submit the paper in Dubrovnik. Deserving contributions will be published in the Croatian Yearbook of European Law & Policy. Authors of accepted papers will receive grants covering reasonable travel expenses and lodging for 4 days. A limited number of grants is available for advances students and young professionals. Applicants from non-EU European states may be eligible for IUC grants (see below). Such applicants should submit the grant application form and submit it to the IUC directly.

Language: English

Deadline: January 15, 2009

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Second Annual Assessing Accession Research Symposium: Power and Representation

Date: May 11, 2009

Site: Győr, Hungary

Organiser: Assessing Accession - Central & Eastern Europe in the EU

Topics: This one day symposium is intended to provide a forum for scholars to identify some of the broad strategies CEE member-states use to influence policy making within the EU. In particular, there will be a specific focus on how CEE countries and their respective governments and private actors (e.g. unions, employers, and civil society organisations) organise and manage their position within the EU institutional frameworks. In other words, how have the past five years represented a continuation of integration, from a 'bottom-up' perspective, in terms of different CEE agents seeking to integrate and become effective actors in various EU institutional environments? The symposium will include a keynote address, small-group workshops and a roundtable discussion. For the smallgroup workshops individual papers which focus on the EU institutional capacities of governments and private actors from the CEE region are invited. Therefore, papers should reflect (although are not restricted to) the following: EU institutions (Council/Council Presidencies, Commission and Parliament) and how CEE member-states and state agents (national, regional or municipal level) work towards influencing policy; CEE private actors and their use of specific mechanisms (e.g. lobbying) to influence EU policy making; CEE party involvement at European-level party federations

Language: English

Deadline: January 15, 2009

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(source: Internet)

Social Security, Poverty and Social Exclusion in Rich and Poor Countries

Date: June 16-18, 2009

Site: Sigtuna, Sweden

Organiser: The Foundation for International Studies of Social Security (FISS)

Topics: The seminar will examine the relationship between recent trends in poverty and social security in advanced economies as well as in developing countries. The role of income transfers in preventing, or providing protection against, growing poverty and exclusion will be examined. The seminar will also assess the role of

paid employment in helping to lift households out of poverty and in preventing social exclusion. Papers are invited on any aspect of the general theme of the seminar. They should be based on research or scholarship and written with an international audience in mind. Papers that are international in perspective or based on comparative research are especially welcome. It is anticipated that a selection of the papers will be included in an edited volume within the FISS book series 'International Studies on Social Security'.

Language: English

Deadline: January 12, 2009

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(source: Internet)

Call for papers Summer Schools

Meditation and Other Methods to Foster Democratic Dialogue

Date: June 8-19, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Central European University (CEU)

Topics: The course is designed to introduce academics, professionals and students in the East and West, who are pursuing the study of conflict and conflict resolution processes, to mediation and facilitation theory and skills. The program lays a philosophical and intellectual foundation for mediation and then cultivates basic mediation practice skills. A cross-disciplinary and cross-national inquiry into the use of dialogue in conflict scenarios, the course explores consensual methods to promote understanding and dispute resolution between peoples. Through lecture, discussion, demonstration and role-plays, students will be introduced to mediation and facilitation theory and skills and examine the impact of culture and context on the consensus-building approach adopted. The course also will examine a variety of strategies to foster and support democratic and constructive dialogue. The interactive presentation of the material is designed to offer teaching and training models to those course participants who want to develop programs in their own countries. Participants should come prepared for a highly engaging learning experience.

Language: English

Fee: 500 €

Deadline: February 16, 2009

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(source: e-mail from the organizers)

Public Management of Urban Change in Transnational Cities

Date: June 29- July 10, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Central European University (CEU)

Topics: The course will review the theoretical underpinnings of current urban policy, planning and management practices and provide course participants with a broad range of international case studies and practices that reflect the current state of the discipline. The course's geographical relevance will be broader than Central and Eastern Europe and will help young faculty and practitioners to better understand challenges faced by public policymakers and managers, NGOs and the private sector in rapidly changing urban environments. The dual focus on theory and practice will be particularly useful for participants developing their research agendas. The summer school will offer a conceptual framework for discussing, distinguishing and evaluating planning methods and practices at the local government level, and help to promote more analytical and critical thinking about the application of various methods and their outcomes. This opportunity will be particularly important to young faculty and advanced doctoral students who are in the early stages of their academic and research careers.

Language: English

Fee: 500 €

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(source: e-mail from the organizers)

Work and Inequality in a Global Economy

Date: June 29- July 10, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Central European University (CEU)

Topics: The course will provide participants with high level research-based and policy relevant training in the areas of employment relations, social inequalities and accountability in a global economy. This training will rely

on critical analysis of cutting-edge interdisciplinary scholarship and instruction by leading regional and international scholars and practitioners. The course is organized around three analytic modules focused on emergent labour practices, social inequalities, and regulatory mechanisms in the global economy. Participants will be expected to critically evaluate competing policy approaches to work and labour in post-socialist societies in a series of short papers. The final project will require students to carry out a mini-research project to advance our understanding of a policy-relevant issue to address emerging work-related inequalities in the global economy.

Language: English

Fee: 500 €

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(source: e-mail from the organizers)

Media, Democratization and International Development: Foundations for a More Robust Research Agenda

Date: June 29- July 15, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Central European University (CEU)

Topics: This intensive summer school on media development is designed to help early-stage researchers gain an understanding of the history, theory, practice, and current trends in the media development sector. In the program, students will be exposed to a wide range of theoretical, methodological, and applied/practitioner perspectives from academics and professionals in the media development arena. As part of the course, participants will help develop a comparative research project, undertake field research, and assess and evaluate findings in a written report, fully supervised by a mentor.

Language: English

Fee: 600 €

Deadline: February 16, 2009

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Integrating Sustainability Thinking Into Academic Curricula

Date: July 5 - 11, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Central European University (CEU)

Topics: The course is built on three core objectives: to facilitate transfer of knowledge on emerging policy/research areas and cross-cutting issues of environmental science; to build capacity for adequate, efficient and oriented towards the international research community environmental research, based on multidisciplinary approaches and concepts, most recent findings and state-of-art and policy relevant research objectives; to demonstrate what constitutes a good MSc program / PhD research proposals in environment, and how non-academic objectives integrated into a program syllabus contribute to academic excellence. Following the objectives, the summer course will split into two sections: thematic discussions on emerging policy/research areas and cross-cutting issues of environmental science; discussion on "quality", "academic excellence" and general issues of research planning (with particular focus on PhD projects) and curriculum development for graduate environmental training. The course specifically targets PhD students and young researchers who are just about to develop their careers in the field, therefore the thematic sessions will be enhanced by talks and workshops on research methodology and development.

Language: English

Fee: 500 €

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Writing in the Humanities after the Fall of Communism

Date: July 6 - 17, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Central European University (CEU)

Topics: The objective of the course is to reflect critically upon the preconditions of writing in the humanities, particularly in the context of communism as an intellectual burden, still relevant after twenty years. The course considers a basic dilemma of the humanities in Central-Eastern Europe: numerous areas of study are condemned to the task of implementing the intellectual and methodological overthrow of the regime, as well as re-evaluating the categories it had imposed on their discourses. Crucial parts of the analysis concern the status

of the visual arts in the face of the post-communist experience (globalism, neoliberalism, democratization). The condition of literature and philosophy (such as post-Marxism) will also be discussed.

Language: English

Fee: 500 €

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(source: e-mail from the organizers)

Sustainable Human Development: From International Frameworks to Regional Policies

Date: July 06-17, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Central European University (CEU)

Topics: The aim of this summer school is to address the deficits in understanding and applying the concept of sustainable human development to development challenges in the region. It will consist of several mutually reinforcing topics and will be conducted involving a wide range of actors - experts from Bratislava Regional Centre, universities in the region, UNDP country offices. Experience so far suggests that a combination of theoretical exposure and practical experience makes the course unique and interesting for participants not just from Europe and CIS but also beyond the region.

Language: English

Fee: 500 €

Deadline: February 16, 2009

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The Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations

Date: July 13 - 24, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Central European University (CEU)

Topics: This summer school offers an analytical framework for understanding and implementing fiscal decentralization: improving assignment of functions and responsibilities and the fiscal relations between the central, regional, and local governments. The course will start with eight distance learning modules introducing participants to the principles and legal framework of decentralisation, expenditure and revenue assignment and intergovernmental transfer. The two-week workshop style course will include an advanced discussion and analysis through exercises and case studies from the region, in the following areas: worldwide trends in fiscal decentralization and the concept and practice of the assignment of expenditure responsibilities and revenue authority; the design of various forms of central to sub-national transfers and local own-source revenues; creditworthiness and the financial risks of local authorities; and the emerging topic of budgeting and local public management.

Language: English

Fee: 500€

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(source: e-mail from the organizers)

Complex Systems and Social Simulations

Date: July 13- 24, 2009

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Central European University (CEU)

Topics: The summer school is aimed at providing a state-of-the-art cutting-edge scientific and research-oriented training for junior faculty, young researchers, postdoctoral fellows, MA and Ph.D. students, and professionals from European and overseas universities and research institutes on complex systems and social simulations. The CSSS course offers lectures, tutorials and discussions on the whole spectrum of the above. Lectures are from leading experts, specifically focusing on CS concepts, modelling and (social) simulation, followed by discussion.

Language: English

Fee: 500 €

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Call for papers Journals

Special Issue of the HUMSEC Journal: The Influence of Transnational Terrorist and Criminal Organizations on the Peacebuilding Process in the Western Balkans

Place of publication: Graz, Austria

Type of publication: online

Published by/ edited by: The HUMSEC project

Topics: The HUMSEC Journal aims to widen the discussion on the issue of human security in general and in particular on the impact of transnational terrorist and criminal organizations on the peace-building process of the Western Balkan region, the influence of transnational and criminal organisations on the state and on the society, and the connection between transnational terrorist and criminal organisations in the Western Balkan region. The Editorial Board welcomes original scientific papers addressing the issues of human security, terrorism and organised crime.

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Special Issue of Perspectives, Review of International Affairs: Religion in International Relations and the Political Theology of International Relations

Place of publication: Prague, Czech Republic

Type of publication: print, online

Published by: The Institute of International Relations (IIR)

Topics: The growing interest of the scholarly community in the resurgence of religion after the constructivist turn and the renewed attention to the relation between the discipline's evolution and religion has led the editors to dedicate the next special issue of the Journal to the exploration of the relevance of religion for international relations. Both purely theoretical articles and theoretically relevant empirical studies will be welcome. Every article submitted for publication undergoes the process of double blind peer review.

Deadline: ongoing

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The special issue of the journal Studia paedagogica: People in School and their Relations

Place of publication: Brno, Czech Republic

Type of publication: print

Publication date: the fall of 2009

Published by/ edited by: Department of Educational Sciences, Faculty of Arts, Masaryk University

Topics: The editors invite texts focusing on social interaction between the participants of school life – teachers, school leaders, students, but also parents or representatives of the community the school operates in. Emphasis should be put on the nature of this interaction and on how it is projected into teachers' professional and personal lives. Numerous questions arise in this context: Which communication channels and interaction patterns can be identified within school? Do teacher-to-teacher relations influence teachers' work – and how? What is the distribution of power within school? Are relations of key importance for teachers' work satisfaction? To which extent do relations between teachers and pupils influence class processes or outcomes of pupils' learning? What is the role of social interaction in motivating pupils for learning? How do relations between teachers and pupils' parents form? Are there any potential areas of conflict in communication between parents and teachers? Which are the interests of teachers as a professional group and how do they put them through in the public space? Are schools arenas of power? Although a number of these issues have been addressed previously, they continue to be of current interest due to their dynamic nature – which is why we seek to throw new light on the transformation of these fundamental phenomena shaping the organizational and community-like character of schools. Given the pedagogical focus of the journal, all of the above-listed questions should be directed at answering the primary question: Who are the participants of the process of education and how does the nature of their relations contribute towards the outcomes of the process of upbringing and education? At the same time, the editors wish the issue in preparation to be an interdisciplinary one, reflecting interconnections between pedagogical, psychological, ethnographic, anthropological and many other aspects of the issues studied.

Deadline: December 31, 2008

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Call for papers Publications

Nationalisms across the Globe. Call for Book Proposals

Type of publication: print

Published by/ edited by: Peter Lang Book Series

Topics: This peer-review series publishes monographs, conference proceedings, and collections of articles on this topic. It attracts well-researched, often interdisciplinary, studies, which open new approaches to nationalism and ethnicity or focus on interesting case studies. The language of the book series is English, with authors/editors of proposed volumes responsible for meeting the Peter Lang standards of copy-editing. All are requested to contribute to the cost of publication, with guidelines available on request.

Deadline: ongoing

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Grants/Jobs/Internships

International MA in Russian and Eurasian Studies (IMARES)

Institution/Organiser: The European University at St. Petersburg

Kind of support/work: MA

Duration: 2009- 2020, starting in September 2009

Site: St. Petersburg or Kazan, Russian Federation

Topics: IMARES provides training in the politics, economy, society, and history of Russia and neighbouring Eurasian states. It combines the highest standards of teaching in English by Russian and international faculty with the advantages of living in St. Petersburg, Russia's cultural capital. A separate teaching module on Empire and Islam is offered in Kazan, the city where Slavic and Turkic civilizations meet. Courses offered in 2009–2010: Politics and economy (Political Changes in Post-Soviet Eurasia, Russian Foreign Policy, Russian Politics, Security Threats in Eurasia: Armed Conflicts, Terrorism, and Extremism, Energy Security and Russian Politics, Russian Energy Sector: Basic Economics, Policy, and Future Trends, The State, Violence, and the Mafia in Comparative Perspective); Society and History (A World History of the Caucasus, 3000 B.C.E. – 2009 C.E., Siberia: An Introduction to the Region, Ethnicity and Nationalism in Post-Soviet Space, Russian Political and Social History, State, Nationalism and Religion in the Russian Empire's Borderlands, The Political Culture of the Russian Revolution, Films, Texts, and Theory in Comparative Perspective, Doing Fieldwork in Russia); Teaching Module in Kazan: Empire and Islam (Ethnicity and Culture in Soviet and Post-Soviet Tatarstan, Imperial Histories, Eurasian Political and Intellectual Controversies).

Eligibility: IMARES, an advanced graduate program for students who already hold a B.A. degree or its equivalent

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Scholarship-Programme „Support the Next Generation of Historians in Russia, the Ukraine, Moldova and Belorussia“

Institution/Organiser: Gerda Henkel Foundation

Kind of support/work: PhD and research scholarships for young historians to cover living expenses in their home countries (max. 24 months) including an up to 6 month research stay in Germany; Short-term-scholarships for young historians to finance research at German Eastern Europe Institutions, including travelling expenses (max. 6 month); Financing of invitations to historians from the above-mentioned countries to visit German universities or research institutes, including travelling expenses; Covering the costs of a lectureship for young German historians at a university in the above-mentioned countries, including travelling expenses.

Duration: 1 to 24 month

Site: Germany

Topics: History – PhD and research projects which deal with the young historian's own country, make use of historical archive material and stimulate related or comparative subjects.

Eligibility: Graduate historians (at least Master Degree) from Russia, the Ukraine, Moldova and Belorussia. Young German historians planning a lectureship in the respective countries.

Deadline: January 16, 2009

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Grants of the Central European University for the academic year 2009/2010

Institution/Organiser: The Central European University

Kind of support/work: fellow

Duration: academic year 2009/2010

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Topics: CEU offers Master's and Doctoral (PhD, SJD) programs in English in the following areas: Economics, Environmental Sciences and Policy, Gender Studies, History, International Relations and European Studies, Legal Studies (including Human Rights), Mathematics and its Applications, Medieval Studies, Nationalism Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Public Policy, Sociology and Social Anthropology, as well as several programs in Business and IT Management offered by the CEU Business School. CEU has a comprehensive series of financial aid packages, ranging from the Full and Partial Fellowship awards to tuition waivers. The organizers offer these packages, including assistance with medical insurance and accommodation, to the majority of the students.

Deadline: January 9, 2009: For applicants to the Erasmus Mundus programs (Complete application required, including language test scores); January 26, 2009: For applicants to all degree programs (except Erasmus Mundus programs, wishing/required to take CEU-administered admissions examinations and/or requesting exemption from the English language proficiency requirement); March 16, 2009: For applicants to all degree programs (except Erasmus Mundus programs, submitting applications complete with language test scores and other applicable test scores); March 16, 2009: For CEU Master's students and graduates applying to doctoral programs.

Contact: Central European University, Admissions Office, Nador u. 9, 1051 Budapest, Hungary. All application materials must be submitted on-line with the online application form (with the sole exception of letters of recommendation, which may be mailed). CEU does not accept application documents by electronic mail or fax. Candidates who may experience difficulties with the on-line submission of their documents should contact the Admissions Office.

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Kokkalis Programme on Southeastern and East-Central Europe

Institution/Organiser: The Kokkalis Program strives to provide individuals committed to invigorating the public sector in Southeastern and East-Central Europe with educational opportunities to explore effectual and pioneering means of governance.

Site: Harvard University

Eligibility: Eligible to apply for the Kokkalis Fellowship Program are natives of Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Hungary, Kosovo, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia Slovenia and Turkey, who are applying to one of the following degree programs at the John F. Kennedy School of Government: Master in Public Policy (MPP); Master in Public Administration (MPA2); Mid-Career Master in Public Administration (MC/MPA); Master in Public Administration in International Development (MPA/ID). Candidates should hold an undergraduate degree recognized by their native state and an academic and/or professional background in one of the following fields: social sciences, public policy and/or administration, the non-profit sector, law, economics, business, or work experience in related fields.

Deadline: January 9, 2009

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