

18th CEU Annual Doctoral Conference

BURSTING BUBBLES

THE POLITICS IN CRISIS AND THE POLITICS OF CRISIS

3–5 April 2023

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Central European University's Doctoral School of Political Science, Public Policy, and International Relations invites paper proposals for its 18th Annual Doctoral Conference*.

The conference provides a professional, stimulating, and international environment for PhD students and early career researchers in political science to discuss their works in progress, establish informal networks, and initiate future collaborative research. We aim to assemble submissions that reflect the plurality of research projects and approaches in the field of political science. Enriching this scholarship at CEU are our (sub)field specialisations in, and cross-pollination of ideas from, comparative politics, international relations, political economy, political theory, and public policy.

DEADLINE: 15 JANUARY 2023

SUBMISSION: ADC2023@CEU.EDU

**Participation at the Annual Doctoral Conference (ADC) is mandatory for DSPPS PhD students in their second and third year.*



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CONFERENCE THEME

The 21st century has witnessed multiple crises ranging from unstable collective identities and democracy to crises in security and peace, climate, economy, health, and beyond. Paradoxically, the responses to these have been often maintaining the political status quo. This makes one wonder how politics would look like if these 'bubbles' burst; the reproduction of the established power relations, which bring a degree of comfort and stability disrupts.

However, the more the crises, the greater the need for studying disruptions and the higher the value of social sciences. Yet, to grasp the complexities of social, economic, and political life in crisis, scientific discourse needs to burst its own 'bubbles' by engaging in constructive conversation with colleagues subscribing to different ontological, epistemological, and methodological traditions.

Therefore, this conference is thematically interested in projects that provide novel and creative avenues of research that address the multiple crises of political life. This notion offers two points of departure. First, we welcome research that attempts to provoke discussions about politics in crisis as the very phenomenon we study. Also, the politics of crisis understood as power relations, including within academia, that shape the way we understand and approach it as such. Second, we accommodate a wide array of contributions that go beyond entrenched ideas and research practices.

Our panels may address but are by no means restricted to the following research areas and methods:

Research Areas:

- Political Behavior and Psychology
- Parties, Media, Communication
- Political Economy and Development Studies
- Public Policy: Education, Technology, Health, Climate, Energy
- Heterodox and Critical IR Approaches
- Area studies
- Politics of Europe and the EU
- Political Regimes, Political Movements Immigration and Refugees, Nationalism Legislative Studies
- Democratic Theory
- Theories of Justice
- Philosophy of Labour and Economy
- Decolonial and post-colonial studies

Research Methods:

- Experiments
- Case studies and Process Tracing
- Game Theory and Structural Modelling -- Interpretative and Ethnographic Approaches
- Econometrics
- Computational and Qualitative Text and Discourse Analysis
- Comparative methods
- QCA
- Analytical Philosophy

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Abstract deadline: January 15
Paper deadline: March 5



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SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Deadline: 15 January 2023 | 23:59 CET

Proposed papers will be assessed on the basis of merit. Proposals are expected to be stand-alone research papers. These can, and in most cases usually, form part of PhD thesis projects. Proposals should discuss the general aim of the research; how the research fits into the scholarly literature; the conceptual, theoretical, methodological or empirical approaches used; and the (preliminary) results, if applicable.

Proposals should include:

- a working title
- the author's full name, position, and institutional affiliation
- an abstract of up to 400 words describing the proposed paper
- five keywords

Acceptance decisions will be made on a rolling basis by the organising committee. Applicants will be notified via e-mail about acceptance decisions until 8 February 2021, 18:00 CET.

SUBMISSION OF PAPERS

Deadline: 5 March 2023 | 23:59 CET

Applicants whose abstracts are accepted for presentation need to submit full conference papers. Paper submissions should be in the region of 6000–8000 words, including a working title; the author's full name, position, and institutional affiliation; a 400-word summary followed by five keywords; and the main text (the word limit excludes references, bibliography, and appendix).

All abstracts and conference papers must follow a standard file name format (SURNAME_Given Name_Institution_ADC2023) and be rendered in .docx or .pdf. Please send your submissions to adc2023@ceu.edu

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