



Doctoral School of  
Political Science, Public Policy  
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## **Politics in Illiberal Times**

### *Annual Doctoral Conference 2017*

#### CALL FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS

CEU's Doctoral School for Political Science, Public Policy and International Relations invites PhD candidates of the related academic fields to submit paper proposals for its upcoming Annual Doctoral Conference (**April 3-4, 2017**), organized under the title "Politics in Illiberal Times". The best proposals will be selected for presentation and discussion at the conference in Budapest, Hungary.

We encourage applicants to understand the theme of the conference broadly within social sciences. The submissions will be subjected to an evaluation by the organizing committee in partnership with professors affiliated with the Doctoral School. Papers will be selected for participation in the Annual Doctoral Conference on the basis of merit.

Applicants are asked to submit proposals for stand-alone research papers. These can, and in most cases should, be part of the PhD candidate's thesis project, but the proposed papers should be clearly different from a chapter of the thesis manuscript or a prospectus.

The organizing committee also accepts proposals for full conference panels: in such cases we expect a joint submission of thematically corresponding paper proposals from 3-5 applicants, with a proposed panel discussant, who should be a recognized faculty member knowledgeable in the topic of the panel. Panel proposals should include at least one paper proposal from an author from outside CEU, or paper proposals submitted by authors from at least two tracks within CEU's Doctoral Program of Political Science.

A typical proposal should be around 350 words. It should clearly state the aim of the paper, identify a research problem, and should include the literature strand in which the research fits. Proposals should be submitted in *Word doc* format, and should comply with the following formal requirement: (1) include a title, (2) include a set of keywords, (3) should not include identifiable information about the author within the document (name, institution etc), (4) follow a standard filename format: *SURNAME\_Givenname\_Institution\_ADC2017proposal.docx*

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Proposals should be sent to [ds@ceu.edu](mailto:ds@ceu.edu) no later than January 13, 2017.**

Decisions about the acceptance of proposals and panels will be communicated by the organizing committee on the week of **23 January 2017**. Participants whose proposal is accepted for presentation need to submit the full papers (4000-8000 words) by **20 March 2017**. Participants whose proposals were not accepted for presentation may participate at the ADC with a poster, which can be presented at a separate poster session.

CEU may provide a full or partial reimbursement of the accommodation and travel expenses for a limited number of external participants who would travel to the conference from outside Budapest. Decision about reimbursement will be made on a competitive basis, and will depend on the number of external applications. More information about this will be available after the selection procedure.

For students in the earlier stages of their career, the ADC is an opportunity to train for a first contribution to a scientific conference. For students in later stages, the paper proposed could be seen as a 'job market' paper, i.e. a paper a student would select to present if she or he is invited to a job talk. Note that participation at the ADC is mandatory for PhD students in CEU's Doctoral Program in Political Science, and it is also open for PhD students of other universities and institutions around the world.

**For further information about the conference, please contact:**

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