

Social Science News

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Information/News

Release of a new social science journal RESET

Site: Paris, France

Topics: RESET. Social Science Research on the Internet is a biannual peer-reviewed academic journal. It publishes research articles where the Internet appears as a field and/or an object of study useful to the understanding of social phenomena. RESET aims at integrating the study of the Internet into the general social sciences rather than considering solely the singularity of this medium. Its first issue is devoted to the relevance of the notion of social class.

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Internet: www.journal-reset.org

(source: e-mail from the editors)

The Political Power of Protest. Minority Activism and Shifts in Public Policy

Edited by: Daniel Q. Gillion

Published by: Cambridge University Press

Pages: 208

ISBN: 978 110 7657 410

Publication date: March 2013

Topics: Gillion demonstrates the direct influence that political protest behaviour has on Congress, the presidency and the Supreme Court, illustrating that protest is a form of democratic responsiveness that government officials have used, and continue to draw on, to implement federal policies. Focusing on racial and ethnic minority concerns, this book shows that the context of political protest has served as a signal for political preferences. As pro-minority rights behaviour grew and anti-minority rights actions declined, politicians learned from minority protest and responded when they felt emboldened by stronger informational cues stemming from citizens' behaviour, a theory referred to as the "information continuum". Although the shift from protest to politics as a political strategy has opened the door for institutionalised political opportunity, racial and ethnic minorities have neglected a powerful tool to illustrate the inequalities that exist in contemporary society.

Contact:

Internet:

http://www.cambridge.org/gb/knowledge/isbn/item7071834/The%20Political%20Power%20of%20Protest/?site_locale=en_GB

(source: Internet)

Digital Sociology. Critical Perspectives

Edited by: Kate Orton-Johnson and Nick Prior

Published by: Palgrave Macmillan

Pages: 264

ISBN: 978-0-230-22282-3. Paperback: 978-0-230-22283-0

Publication date: January 21, 2013

Topics: This text takes stock of how the discipline has addressed the challenge of the digital providing a uniquely sociological framework with which to critically re-evaluate fundamental social concerns: from digital intimacies and online relationships to new forms of mediated inequality and network structures, from digitally mediated media practices to education and health 2.0, this text provides a comprehensive introduction to the transformations wrought by digital technologies to contemporary societies and a critical reflection on how the digital is reconfiguring the tools, concepts and precepts of the discipline.

Contact:

Internet: <http://www.palgrave.com/products/title.aspx?pid=299825>

(source: Internet)

Call for papers Conferences

Postsecular vistas. 2nd conference on social sciences and theology: "Memory, culture and religion"

Date: May 15, 2013

Site: Warsaw, Poland

Organiser: Centre for Thought of John Paul II and Institute of Sociology of the University of Warsaw

Topics: Possible themes include (but are not limited to): The place of religion in memory studies; Secularization of memory studies; Postsecular memory studies; The role of memory in sustaining culture; The role of religion in sustaining culture; Memory and contemporary culture; Covert theologies in memory studies; The impact of religion on memory; Holy texts, canons, rites, prayer and memory; Theological theories of memory, culture and tradition; The place of religion in private and family memory; Memory conflicts and religion; Theology as a social science.

Language: English (preferred) and Polish (possible)

Fee: 60 €

Deadline: April 1, 2013; Abstract should be sent to Lukasz Ofiara: lofiara@centrumjp2.pl

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Internet: http://www.centrumjp2.pl/node/5983/Konferencja_Pamiec_kultura_i_religia

(source: e-mail from the organisers)

Business and Social Science Research Conference

Date: June 27-28, 2013

Site: Dubrovnik, Croatia

Organiser: Macrotheme Capital Management, LLC

Topics: The organisers invite submission of abstracts, research proposals, and full papers on all topics broadly related to business and social science. They specifically encourage submission of research dealing with regional issues (Asia, Africa, Middle East, Latin America, Europe, and North America). Topics: Anthropology, Accounting, Area Studies (African, American, Asian, European, Hispanic, Islamic, Jewish, Middle Eastern, Russian, Women's and all other cultural and ethnic studies), Business Administration, Communication, Economics, Education, Energy Alternatives, Ethnic Studies/International Studies, Finance, Geography, History, Intergenerational Studies, International Relations, IT and CIS, Journalism, Management, Marketing, New Urbanism, Political Science, Preservation and Green Urbanism, Psychology, Public Administration, Social Work, Sociology, Sustainable Development, Sustainable Urban Neighbourhoods, Urban and Regional Planning, Women's studies, Other Areas of Social Science, Other Areas of Business, Cross-disciplinary areas of the above related to each other or other areas.

Language: English

Fee: 350 €

Deadline: April 1, 2013

Contact: Macrotheme Capital Management, LLC 815 Brazos Street, Suite 500 Austin, TX 78701, United States

E-mail: info@macrotheme.com

Internet:

http://macrotheme.com/international_conferences/dubrovnik_2013_business_and_social_science

(source: Internet)

The Macrotheme Conference on Business and Social Science

Date: May 23-24, 2013

Site: Ibiza, Spain

Organiser: Macrotheme Capital Management, LLC

Topics: The organisers invite submission of abstracts, research proposals, and full papers on all topics broadly related to business and social science. They specifically encourage submission of research dealing with regional issues (Asia, Africa, Middle East, Latin America, Europe, and North America).

Language: English

Fee: 100 – 350 €

Deadline: March 20, 2013

Contact: Macrotheme Capital Management, LLC 815 Brazos Street, Suite 500 Austin, TX 78701, United States

E-mail: info@macrotheme.com

Internet: http://macrotheme.com/international_conferences/ibiza_2013_business_and_social_science

(source: Internet)

XVI Annual All-Ukrainian conference: "Painful traumas of the past: historical truth and imperatives of conscience"

Date: April 12-13, 2013

Site: Lviv, Ukraine

Organiser: The Institute of Religion and Society, Ukrainian Catholic University

Topics: The theme of the conference is dedicated to the questions of history of conflicts and their overcoming. What historical examples can serve as the standard of overcoming of international, interreligious and intergovernmental contradictions? How does Church use historical experience in its constructing? What methods and models of positive existence in the future can offer representatives of humanities? It is important to hear opinions of young researchers and students, to exchange experience and to create a joint vision of these problems. At the conference do the organisers plan to discuss such issues at the sectional sessions: The role and experience of Church in reconciliation and overcoming of traumas of the past; Modern Ukraine: conflicts, traumas of the past and ways of reconciliation; Conflicts of the past and problem of their overcoming from the prospect of history; Models of warning and overcoming of conflicts, methods of healing traumas of the past.

Language: Ukrainian, Russian, Polish, English

Deadline: March 20, 2013

Contact:

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Internet: <http://paara.am/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/Conference-in-Lviv-07.02.2013.pdf>

(source: e-mail from the organisers)

2nd CGS Interdisciplinary Conference "Good Governance and Civil Society"

Date: April 19-20, 2013

Site: Torun, Poland

Organiser: Copernicus Graduate School

Topics: Panels: Internationalization of Governance and Society; Culture and Economy as Regulators of Socio-Political Relations in Modern Societies; Forms and Methods of Communication and Information as Elements of Regulation of Power and Society (Knowledge-based Society, Information Society); Quality of Regional and Local Identity as Democratic Pattern of Efficacy of Civil Society.

Language: English

Fee: Early bird application 80 €/330 PLN; Late application (after 10.04.2013) 100 €/420 PLN

Deadline: March 31, 2013

Contact:

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(source: Internet)

2nd Annual Conference on "The Social Sciences and the Christian Faith"

Date: May 2-3, 2013

Site: Edmonton, Canada

Organiser: Canadian Centre for Scholarship and the Christian Faith

Topics: Paper and Poster Presentations will be from any of the following disciplines along the lines of the theme of "The Social Sciences and the Christian Faith": Psychology, Sociology, Political Economy, History, Education, Business Management and Public Health.

Language: English

Fee: 130 \$; for students: 65 \$; for alumni: 100 \$

Deadline: March 29, 2013

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(source: Internet)

Key West International Multidisciplinary Academic Conference

Date: May 3-4, 2013

Site: Key West Florida, US

Organiser: Institute of Strategic and International Studies-ISIS

Topics: Papers related to all areas of Accounting, Banking, Business Ethics, Communication & Media, e-Business, e-Government, e-Learning, Ecology, Economics, Environment & Life Sciences, Finance, Gender Studies, Globalization, Human Resources, Law & Legal Studies, Leadership, Logistics, Management, Marketing, Political Science, Psychology, Security Studies, Social Sciences, Social Work, and Sustainable Development are invited for the above international conference, which is expected to be attended by authors from nearly all parts of the World. People without papers can also participate in this conference, and they are invited to serve as session chairs or discussants, as well as informal contributors to the academic quality of this international event.

Language: English

Fee: 330 \$; for virtual participants via Skype: 280 \$

Deadline: March 20, 2013; Full papers should be sent to: KeyWestConference@ISISWorld.org

Contact:

E-mail: admin@ISISWorld.org

Internet: <http://www.isisworld.org/documents/CALLFORPAPERSKeyWestFLORIDA.1.pdf>

(source: Internet)

International Research Conference on Emerging trends in Commerce, Economics, Law and Social Sciences (CELSS)

Date: May 17-18, 2013

Site: Bangkok, Thailand

Organiser: International Association of Academicians and Researchers (INAAR)

Topics: The conference aims to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas on the latest business innovation developments in the field of economics, different areas of social sciences and environment among researchers and practitioners in universities and industries and to seek opportunities for collaboration among the participants. Conference Tracks: Emerging trends in Commerce, Economics, Law and Social Sciences (CELSS); Emerging trends in Chemical, Biological, Physical and Life Sciences (CBPLS); Emerging trends in Business, Management, Engineering and Technology Sciences (BMETS).

Language: English

Fee: 100 – 400 \$

Deadline: March 18, 2013; Papers should be sent to: icbangkok2013@gmail.com

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Internet: <http://allinternationalconferences.com/bangkok2013may>

(source: Internet)

International Symposium on the Sociology of Mental Health

Date: June 3-7, 2013

Site: Aalborg, Denmark

Organiser: University of Aalborg, Denmark

Topics: Topics will include the examination of health and health care issues of patients and providers of care, especially those related to social determinants of mental health, social discourses of mental health systems, and mental health diagnostics. Papers that focus on linkages to policy and social movements in different parts of the world are especially welcome. Abstracts for papers should address one of the following themes: Mental disorder and crime; The sociology of diagnostic systems and its emerging trends; The philosophy of psychiatry in a sociological perspective; Sociological aspects of psychopharmacological treatment; The role of self-help in mental health; Mental health and culture; Stigma and mental health.

Language: English

Fee: 850 €

Deadline: March 26, 2013

Contact: Mette Rømer, Secretary of the symposium

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Space, Society and Politics

Date: June 3-5, 2013

Site: Tbilisi, Georgia

Organiser: Faculty of Social and Political Sciences of the Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (TSU)

Topics: The Conference will consist of several panels and will cover the fields of human geography, international relations as well as political and social sciences. Faculty members of the Higher Education Institutions, researchers, scholars and PhD students are encouraged to submit abstracts of their works in progress or ongoing research. The academic conference is dedicated to the 70th anniversary of the President of the Geographic Society of Georgia, Professor Amb. Revaz Gachechiladze.

Deadline: April 1, 2013 (for abstracts); May 15, 2013 (for submission of papers)

Contact: Professor Tamar Dolbaia, Department of Human Geography

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(source: e-mail from the organisers)

International Neighbourhood Symposium: "The Eastern Neighbourhood and the Mediterranean South – Tackling the Issues of Security, Democracy and Business"

Date: June 25-30, 2013

Site: Heybeliada, Turkey

Organiser: The Center for International and European Studies (CIES)

Topics: The International Neighbourhood Symposium will focus on the theme of Security and its challenges in each region. A dedicated panel will also look at how the issues of energy and energy security affect the security context.

Attention will also be paid to the economic context and the role of Business as well as on the prospects of social entrepreneurship as there is a growing interest in both profit making and a positive return to society in both regions. Additionally, the energy issue will be presented from a business perspective. Finally, the themes of Democracy and democratisation will be debated to assess the state of play in both regions and their prospects for the future. All of these points will be discussed further through Structured Dialogue workshops facilitated by Professor Benjamin Broome from Arizona State University. The International Neighbourhood Symposium aims to promote further understanding and cooperation in the Eastern Neighbourhood and the Mediterranean South and beyond by providing a forum for study, dialogue and networking in a multicultural and interdisciplinary environment. Young professionals and graduate students primarily from the countries of the Eastern Neighbourhood, the Mediterranean South, EU member states, and the United States are the Symposium target group. In addition, applicants from the fields of public policy, politics, journalism, and business are especially encouraged to apply.

Language: English

Fee: 450 €

Deadline: March 24, 2013; Participation is limited to 40 people

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(source: Internet)

International Conference for Academic Disciplines

Date: June 23-26, 2013

Site: Munich, Bavaria, Germany

Organiser: International Journal of Arts and Sciences

Topics: The IJAS Conference Series takes place annually in several cities across Europe and North America. The series has three primary aims. The first aim is to provide opportunities for academics from a range of disciplines and countries to share their research both through the conference podium and IJAS' double-blind refereed publications. All IJAS conferences are inter- and multi-disciplinary. The second aim of the Conference Series is to provide opportunities for academics to receive informal in-depth feedback through discussions and to enable them to establish contact with professionals in other countries and institutions. The tours are the main way of "breaking the ice" away from the formalities of the conference hall, providing an informal setting for discussing different points of view. Even in an increasingly networked world of internet and satellite conferences, there is no substitute for personal interaction—what Edward R. Murrow calls "the last three feet of communication". It is individuals, not data streams, who must ultimately build the connections that in turn create lasting international research partnerships. The third aim of the Conference Series is to introduce academics to educational premises in locations that are suitable for study abroad programs and which may meet their students' educational needs. IJAS draws its inspiration from the Fulbright Program, an integral part of the United States' foreign educational relations, where face-to-face exchanges have proven to be the single most effective means of engaging international publics while broadening dialogue between academics and institutions.

Language: English

Fee: 240 – 560 \$

Deadline: March 26, 2013

Contact: International Journal of Arts & Sciences, Attn: Mark Bridge, Conferences Department 55 Farm Drive, Cumberland, Rhode Island 02864-3565, USA

E-mail: info@universityconferences.org

Internet: <http://www.internationaljournal.org/munich.html>

(source: Internet)

The Politics of Indigenous Identity: National and Global Perspectives

Date: July 11-14, 2013

Site: Sydney, Australia

Organiser: Research Committee on Politics and Ethnicity (RC14)

Topics: General questions raised by these issues include: How and by whom is "indigeneity" defined and deployed? Is indigeneity necessarily associated with minority status? How are indigenous claims to identity and/or rights theorised? How have different legal and political regimes attempted to reconcile indigenous interests with other interests? What forms might indigenous self-governance take? To what extent have indigenous movements become globalised? What can we learn from the history of indigenous movements?

Language: English

Deadline: March 15, 2013

Contact: Professor Stephanie Lawson

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Internet: <http://www.ipsa.org/news/call-for-paper/politics-indigenous-identity-national-and-global-perspectives>

(source: Internet)

2nd International Conference on Society, Humanity and History- ICSHH 2013

Date: August 10-11, 2013

Site: Barcelona, Spain

Organiser: IEDRC

Topics: 2013 2nd International Conference on Society, Humanity and History (ICSHH 2013) is the premier forum for the presentation of new advances and research results in the fields of theoretical, experimental, and applied Society, Humanity and History. The conference will bring together leading researchers, engineers and scientists in the domain of interest from around the world. All papers for the ICSHH 2013 will be published in the JOEBM (ISSN: 2301-3567) as one volume, and will be included in the Engineering & Technology Digital Library, and indexed by EBSCO, WorldCat, Google Scholar, CNKI, Ulrich's Periodicals Directory, Cross Ref and sent to be reviewed by ISI Proceedings.

Language: English

Fee: 250 – 550 \$

Deadline: March 25, 2013

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E-mail: icshh@iedrc.org

Internet: <http://www.icshh.org>

(source: Internet)

11th Annual ESPAnet Conference: "Social Policy and Economic Development"

Date: September 5-7, 2013

Site: Poznań, Poland

Organiser: Poznan University of Economics; ESPAnet

Topics: The conference focuses on the relations between social policy and economic development. It aims at encouraging the international dissemination and exchange of information on significant developments relevant to social policy. The organisers encourage participants to address theoretical and methodological questions, from inter- and multi-disciplinary perspective. The conference is open to all who are active in social policy research and welcomes contributions from all relevant disciplines.

Language: English

Fee: 200 €

Deadline: March 11, 2013

Contact: Piotr Michoń, Poznan University of Economics, Department of Labour and Social Policy, al. Niepodleglosci 10, 61-875 Poznań, Poland

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Internet: <http://espanet2013.ue.poznan.pl/index.php/8-news/34-call-for-paper-abstracts>

(source: Internet)

European Association of Law and Economics (EALE)

Date: September 26-28, 2013

Site: Warsaw, Poland

Organiser: The Polish Association of Law and Economics (PSEAP)

Topics: Papers may be on any topic in or related to Law and Economics including: Property rights, property law and growth; Antitrust and Regulation; Bankruptcy, Commercial Corporate Law and Corporate Governance; Behavioural Law and Economics; Comparative Law and Economics; Contract Theory and Contract Law; Crime, Deterrence and Criminal Law; Environmental Law and Economics; Experimental Law and Economics; Family Law, Gender, and Discrimination; Health Law; Intellectual Property and Innovation Policy; International Law, International Trade, and Immigration; Labour and Employment Law; Law and Development; Litigation, Dispute Resolution and the Legal Process; Market and Non-market Regulation; Mergers and Acquisitions; Political economy and public choice; Public and Administrative Law; Finance, Securities and Capital Market Regulation; Taxation and Social Welfare; Theory of the Firm (Includes Non-Profits and Government Orgs.); Tort Law and Compensation Systems. Authors, who fulfil the eligibility requirements (doctors no more than 2 years from the completion of their academic education), are also invited to enter the competition to win the Goran Skogh Award for the most promising paper presented at the EALE Conference. The winner will receive 1 000 €.

Language: English

Fee: Regular Registration fee + EALE Membership fee: 1 080 PLN; Ph.D. Students Registration fee + EALE

Membership fee: 600 PLN

Deadline: March 29, 2013

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(source: e-mail from the organisers)

“Listening to the Wind of Change”: Popular Culture and Post-Socialist Societies in East-Central Europe

Date: October 18-19, 2013

Site: Prague, Czech Republic

Organiser: Centre for the Study of Popular Culture and Department of Czech and Comparative Literature, Faculty of Arts, Charles University in Prague

Topics: Understanding popular culture as a battlefield for hegemony and a sphere of conflicting power relations based in cultural, subcultural, and post-subcultural studies as well as postcolonial theory, and other lines of emancipatory thinking, the organisers invite scholars from wide range of social science and humanities disciplines to present their research at the conference. Paper and panel proposals related to the conference theme, including but not limited to such topics as: Culture Transfer: Westernisation and Commodification of the "East"; Culture of the Post-Socialist New Rich: Continuities with Late State Socialism and Neoliberalism; Re-traditionalisation, Nationalism, Exclusion and Mobilisation in Popular Culture; Fostering Free-market Ideology through Popular Culture; Conflicting Memories of Anti-/Post-communism in Popular Culture; Reflections of Sexuality and Gender in Popular Culture; Exploitation Culture as Reply to Fast Changes in Post-Socialist Societies; Visual Culture of Post-Socialist Societies of East-Central Europe; Popular Culture in East-Central Europe as Commodity; Travelling Cultural Theory (East West).

Language: English

Fee: Early Bird: 15 € / 375 CZK; Late Registration: 40 € / 1000 CZK

Deadline: For abstracts: May 15, 2013. For panel proposals: April 15, 2013; Abstracts should be submitted by email pop.postsoc@gmail.com

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E-mail: pop.postsoc@gmail.com

Internet: <http://pop-postsoc.webnode.cz>

(source: e-mail from the organisers)

18th Annual Conference of Central European Political Science Association: “Third democratic decade: challenges of/for consolidation”

Date: October 24-26, 2013

Site: Pilsen, Czech Republic

Organiser: The Central European Political Science Association

Topics: This Call for Papers calls attention to the ways in which the contemporary democratic political development in Central Europe and Central European countries is – or potentially might be – destabilised by the above mentioned and other challenges, risks and threats; and vice versa what are the democratic responses on such challenges, risks and threats. Within such general theme the organisers would like to open the floor for the specialised analytical panels devoted to the different topics such as: Political participation; Political parties, party systems, party membership in Central Europe; Populism, Political Radicalism and Extremism in Central Europe; Electoral processes in Central Europe; Constitutional engineering; Bilateral and multilateral relations in Central Europe; Challenges to democracy in Central Europe today; Central Europe as a political actor ; The role of political foundations and think tanks in Central Europe’s consolidation; Cultural and public diplomacy and nation branding in Central Europe. The mentioned list of sub-themes or/and panels is surely not comprehensive. While participants are especially invited to respond to the conference theme, proposals on all aspects of Central European politics will be considered. The conference is open to the researches from all countries with the interest in Central European affairs.

Language: English

Fee: is not required

Deadline: April 30, 2013

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(source: e-mail from the organisers)

Exploring the “Grey Zones”: “Governance, Conflict and (In)Security in Eastern Europe”

Date: November 1-2, 2013

Site: Aarhus; Denmark

Organiser: Aarhus University

Topics: In this conference the organisers wish to explore the aspects of everyday uncertainty, which is defined as “grey zones”. Papers which ethnographically explore (but are not necessarily restricted to) one or more of the following questions are invited: What are the relations between governance, corruption and informality in contemporary Eastern Europe?; How do new emerging class systems in Eastern Europe affect people’s perceptions of self and other?; In which ways do changing relations between individuals, institutions and state manifest themselves in everyday life?; Which roles do the mafia and organized crime play in contemporary Eastern Europe?; How do increased illegal work and labour migration to Western Europe relate to insecure situations on the home front?; How do citizens in Eastern Europe relate to the influx of migrants from Africa and the Middle East in relation to their own situation and their perceptions of the borders of Europe (or the EU)?; How are we to perceive the

seemingly increasing presence of antagonism, violence and openly expressed racism and homophobia in present-day Eastern Europe?

Language: English

Deadline: June 1, 2013

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(source: e-mail from the organisers)

6th Asia Pacific Mediation Forum Summit: "Mediation in a Globalizing World: Challenges to Multi-Culturalism, Peace-Building, and Religious Tolerance"

Date: December 9-11, 2013

Site: Manila, Philippines

Organiser: Political Science Department of De La Salle University

Topics: The aim of the upcoming Summit is to bring together and engage experienced conflict resolution and mediation practitioners, researchers, educators, trainers, civil society workers/practioners, human rights activists, jurists, businessmen, and policy makers from different cultural, organizational and professional backgrounds who are culturally fluent, creative and innovative, want to contribute and build on their knowledge and expertise, and are prepared to play a leadership role in transforming the way that conflicts are handled in the Asia-Pacific region. The program of the 2013 APMF Summit includes three days of optional pre-Summit activities, and three days of combined paper presentations, round table discussions and mediation workshops at basic and intermediate levels. The objectives of the Summit are as follows: To advance individual capacity and collaborations, build networks and promote cross-cultural awareness and understanding of mediation as well as of other conflict transformation processes across the Asia Pacific Region; To mine the collective depth and breadth of the delegates' expertise in order to inspire strategies for change that can advance mediation and other conflict transformation processes with the end goal of promoting peace across the Asia Pacific region; To facilitate the development of effective themed action plans from cross-cutting and focused roundtable discussions that can be implemented by delegates and which have real potential to advance mediation and other conflict transformation processes in culturally fluent ways across Asia Pacific region; To inspire and support initiatives to advance mediation and other conflict transformation processes in the region.

Language: English

Fee: Regular: 300 – 600 \$; Student: 100 – 330 \$

Deadline: March 15, 2013

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(source: Internet)

International Conference on Education, Culture and Identity (ICECI)

Date: July 6-8, 2013

Site: Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Organiser: The International University of Sarajevo

Topics: This conference will examine contemporary issues related to education, culture, and identity. Such interrelated issues have become increasingly important in the age of diversity, multiculturalism and globalization. Since such conceptions can hardly be defined and explained by a single academic discipline, this interdisciplinary international conference aims at analysing them from different perspectives such as educational, psychological, social, cultural, political, historical, literary, visual, artistic and media-related perspectives.

Language: English

Fee: 75 – 310 €

Deadline: April 1, 2013

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(source: e-mail from the organisers)

Call for papers Workshops

ReSHAPE Annual Workshop on "The EU's emergency policies"

Date: June 6-7, 2013

Site: Catania, Italy

Organiser: Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Catania

Topics: The ReSHAPE Annual Workshop is a discussion and study event for researchers and professionals concerned with the advancement of scientific and policy-oriented knowledge about the EU's response capabilities and policies towards emergencies like natural disasters, humanitarian crises and systemic risks, within and outside Europe.

Language: English

Deadline: March 15, 2013; Abstract should be sent to: glopem@unict.it

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(source: e-mail from the organisers)

BISA International Political Economy Group (IPEG) Annual Workshop 2013: "Austerity, Crisis, and Social Fallout"

Date: September 13-14, 2013

Site: Limerick, Ireland

Organiser: University of Limerick

Topics: The 2013 BISA International Political Economy Group conference thus intends to bring together scholars working on research that looks at the politics of austerity, the global financial and social crisis, and the issues involved, and calls for papers that look at a broad range of topics and issue-areas, including: The global financial crisis and the politics of austerity; Globalisation and new areas of exclusion; Austerity and the impact on the workplace; Relations of production in the new economic climate; The financial crisis and the developing world; The financial crisis and the rise of the BRICS; Neoliberalism and social welfare; Neoliberalism and social policy; Neoliberalism and the politics of resistance; Global political economy and the emergence of regionalism.

Language: English

Deadline: March 31, 2013

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Internet: <http://www.ipso.org/news/call-for-paper/bisa-international-political-economy-group-ipeg-annual-workshop-2013-austerity-c>

(source: Internet)

Call for papers Summer Schools

3rd Berlin Summer School in Social Sciences: "Linking Theory and Empirical Research"

Date: July 14-26, 2013

Site: Berlin, Germany

Organiser: The Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences (BGSS) at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin and the Social Science Research Center Berlin (WZB)

Topics: The Berlin Summer School in Social Sciences aims at promoting young researchers by strengthening their methodological understanding in linking theory and empirical research. The two weeks program also creates an excellent basis for the advancement of their current research designs. In the first week the organisers address the key methodological challenges of concept-building, causation/explanation and micro-macro-linkage that occur in almost all research efforts and strive for a clarification of the epistemological implications underlying methodological paradigms. In the second week, these methodological considerations are applied to central empirical fields of research in political science and sociology. In this second part of the program participants are assigned to four thematic groups according to their own research topics. The thematic areas cover "Comparing Democracies: Political Competition, Democratic Institutions and Public Policies", "Social Inequality, Conflict and Integration", "The Dynamics of National and International Regimes" and "Culture and Knowledge in a Globalized World". The course encompasses a varied format of lectures, workshops, seminars, and consultations. During the summer school participants will also have the opportunity to present and intensely discuss their own work and approaches and will be provided with hands-on advice for their research designs. The international summer school is open to up to 50 PhD candidates, advanced master students and young Post-Docs.

Language: English

Fee: 450 €

Deadline: March 25, 2013

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(source: e-mail from the organisers)

Call for papers Journals

Romanian Journal of Political Science (PolSci): "Democracy and the Rule of Law"

Place of publication: Romania

Type of publication: online

Publication date: Summer 2013

Published by/ edited by: Romanian Academic Society (SAR)

Topics: Submissions are now being accepted for the summer 2013 issue. The Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to the European Union (EU) in 2012 for its work towards peace and reconciliation, democracy and human rights in Europe. However, the EU's work in strengthening democracy within and outside its borders is far from complete. In the last two years, democratically imbued uprisings in the Middle East and North Africa, but also the erosion of democracy and the rule of law in EU member states such as Romania and Hungary were witnessed. In Romania, the July 2012 impeachment of the Romanian president generated a serious political crisis. The controversial adoption of the new Hungarian Constitution in April 2011 without the consultation of the Hungarian opposition parties raised questions regarding the commitment towards democracy of the Hungarian government. Do such events indicate a true degradation of democracy? What mechanisms does the EU use to tackle such events and how effective are those mechanisms? Are the EU's actions firm and objective or context-dependent and driven by transnational party politics? PolSci invites articles and book reviews that touch upon these issues and answer some of the questions posed above. The Journal is also willing to publish outstanding articles/ reviews that do not fall under the main topic proposed for the summer 2013 issue.

Deadline: April 1, 2013

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(source: e-mail from the editors)

TJP. The Turkish Journal of Politics. Special Issue

Place of publication: Istanbul, Turkey

Type of publication: print and online, ISSN: 2146-1988

Publication date: July 2013

Published by/ edited by: Guest Editor: Assistant Professor Dr. Philipp O. Amour (Fatih University, Istanbul, Turkey)

Topics: The Turkish Journal of Politics is an international peer-reviewed journal of political science and international relations produced under the editorial sponsorship of the Social Sciences Institute at Fatih University, Istanbul. The Special Issue is focused on The Arab Spring and the Middle East: New Paradigms and Policies? Possible topics include (but are not limited to): Critical manuscripts addressing the regional Middle Eastern System pre-Arab Spring; Explorations of the impact of the Arab Spring on the regional order and the resultant ramifications for the security system; In-depth examinations and forecasts of the post -Arab Spring regional order: Careful analyses of the role of particular societal movements (e.g., Hamas, Hezbollah) within the emergent New Middle East; Careful studies of the new paradigms and their impact on regional and international relations, including attitudes toward Israel and Palestine and Iran; Careful analyses of Turkey's position and role within the Arab Spring and the new emergent Middle East; Theoretical foundations of the contemporary Arab awakening; Case studies of the different revolutions/revolts; In-depth comparative studies of the revolutions/revolts; Critical assessments of the actual direction of the Arab Spring and critical explorations of counterrevolutions (if any); Examinations of the effects - if any - of the Arab Spring on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Deadline: April 30, 2013

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(source: e-mail from the editors)

Religion & Society in Central and Eastern Europe: Journal of the International Study of Religion in Eastern and Central Europe Association (ISORECEA)

Place of publication: Zagreb, Croatia

Type of publication: online

Publication date: December 2013

Topics: Religion and Society in Central and Eastern Europe invites submissions for a special issue dedicated to religion in the former Soviet Union. Welcomed are both empirical and theoretical contributions from diverse areas of the social sciences, such as: sociology, anthropology, political science, religious studies, history and law, and that focus on the post-Soviet religious landscape and its post-Communist transformations. The Journal is an annual, open-access, peer reviewed academic journal that reflects critical scholarship in the study of religion in the region.

Language: English

Deadline: June 1, 2013

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(source: e-mail from the editors)

Grants/Jobs/Internships

Postgraduate Program on the Politics of Representation in Europe

Institution/Organiser: The Department of Political Science

Kind of support/work: Postgraduate Program

Duration: Three years; The program starts on October 1, 2013

Site: Vienna, Austria

Topics: The Department of Political Science invites applications for a three-year postgraduate program aiming to explore the logic of political representation in this setting of increasingly interwoven levels of governance. The program reaches out to excellent students who hold a master's degree or equivalent in political science or similar disciplines and are planning to acquire a doctoral degree in political science. Students are required to develop and carry out a PhD project on an issue related to the theme of the program. In addition to proposals addressing the logics, mechanisms, and dynamics of political representation in Europe, the organisers also accept comparative projects focusing on politics at either the EU or domestic levels alone. Work on these projects is embedded in an intensive system of coaching within the Department. In conjunction with enrolment in this postgraduate program, students are expected to register for a doctorate at an external university. By the end of the three year program, students should have completed a PhD thesis to be submitted to their university.

Eligibility: Applicants must hold a Master's degree or equivalent in political science or other disciplines relevant to the program. Degrees should be awarded by October 2013. Excellent command of the English language is essential since the working language of the program and the Department is English. Above all, interested candidates will have to demonstrate that they are willing and able to embark upon a PhD project on a topic related to the theme of the program.

Deadline: March 31, 2013

Contact:

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(source: Internet)

PhD fellowships in Population Studies

Institution/Organiser: Office for Population Studies, Masaryk University

Kind of support/work: fellowship

Duration: up to 4 years

Site: Brno, Czech Republic

Topics: PhD projects in all areas of population studies are welcome. Candidates working on issues related to the core research areas of the Office for Population Studies – population ageing and/or families in transition – are strongly encouraged to apply. Comparative projects are particularly desirable.

Fellowship: The total financial compensation paid to the fellow is 16000 CZK per month (approx. 620 € by current exchange rate; fellowships are tax-free according to Czech legislation). The fellowship is for one year, renewable – upon evaluation of the fellow's performance – for up to 4 years, i.e. for the entire standard duration of the Ph.D. studies. Fellows must be enrolled in the Sociology Ph.D. program while receiving the fellowship. Additional support to cover tuition and fees is available on a competitive basis.

Application procedure: Candidates submit their Ph.D. application in the standard manner (details about Ph.D. admission procedures can be found at <http://www.fss.muni.cz/en/site/studium/doktorske/programy>) and express their interest in this fellowship by sending a copy of their dissertation project with a brief explanation to Lenka Kratochvilová (lkratoch@fss.muni.cz) at the same time as they apply for admission into the Ph.D. program. The

Sociology doctorate program at Masaryk University is conducted entirely in English. The call is open to candidates of all nationalities.

Deadline: April 30, 2013; for fellowships commencing in September 2013

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(source: e-mail from the organisers)

MSc in Russian Politics & Society and PhD in Russian & Eurasian Studies

Institution/Organiser: The King's Russia Institute at King's College London

Kind of support/work: MSc and PhD

Site: London, UK

Topics: In the 12-month MSc programme, Russian Politics & Society, students will unpack the challenges of political, economic and social change that have built contemporary Russia since 1985, while engaging directly with practitioners from government, diplomacy, finance, industry, the media, NGOs, cultural organisations and other important fields of interest. Alongside that training, students will select a field for more in-depth policy-relevant research in domestic or foreign policy, gaining strong disciplinary training in a field of the social sciences or humanities through a combination of Russia-focused and comparative options, culminating in an original dissertation research project. Fields on offer include energy and natural resources, trade, development, domestic and international security, law, social policy, media and culture, and history, among others. In the PhD programme, Russian & Eurasian Studies, research students will pursue questions within a multi-disciplinary community of social scientists focusing on Russia and the surrounding neighbourhoods. Fields on offer include energy and natural resources, trade, governance, politics and civil society, domestic and international security, social policy, media and culture, religion, sub-national and regional politics, and history, among others, with supervising researchers drawn from the disciplines of political science, political economy, international relations, sociology, management, law and history.

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Internet: To apply to the MSc programme: www.kcl.ac.uk/prospectus/graduate/russian-politics-and-society

To apply to the PhD programme: www.kcl.ac.uk/prospectus/research/russian-urasian-studies

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