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*Participate in, and benefit from, a unique
Ph.D. Summer School in Poland, Israel and Palestine
Study and experience the European Neighbourhood Policy and its eastern and
southern neighbourhoods!*

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Application deadline: 10 March 2015

Two weeks Ph.D. Summer School, 23 June-5 July 2015

“The ENP under Pressure: The EU and the Eastern and the Southern Neighbourhoods”



Week 1: 23 June-28 June 2015, College of Europe, Natolin campus (Warsaw, Poland),

**Week 2: 29 June – 5 July 2015, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (Israel)
& Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (Israel & Palestine)**

Place & date

Following the success of previous ENP Ph.D. Summer Schools, held at the Natolin campus of the College of Europe, and the EUROPE IN THE WORLD Ph.D. summer schools, which have been taking place yearly since 2010 at the University of Roskilde (Denmark), the University of Crete in Rethymno (Greece), and the Lisbon University Institute (Portugal) respectively, the European Neighborhood Policy Chair at the College of Europe, Natolin campus, in collaboration with the Centre for the Study of European Politics and Society (CSEPS) at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (BGU) and the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS; Jerusalem Office and Ramallah Office), is organizing the third Ph.D. Summer School on *“The ENP under Pressure: The EU and the Eastern and the Southern Neighbourhoods”*, from 23 June to 5 July 2015 at the College of Europe, Natolin campus (Warsaw) , at BGU (Beer Sheva) and at KAS (Jerusalem and Ramallah) .

Organization

The event is sponsored by the ENP Chair of the College of Europe, Natolin campus (<http://www.coleurope.eu/page-ref/european-neighbourhood-policy-chair>) the BGU (<http://www.europebgu.com>) and the KAS offices in Jerusalem and Ramallah (<http://www.kas.de/israel/en/>; <http://www.kas.de/palaestinensische-gebiete/en/>), in collaboration with the ECPR (www.ecpr.eu), the ECPR-SGEU (<http://sgeu-ecpr.org/>), and the TEPSA (<http://www.tepsa.eu/>).

Subject of the summer school

The Ph.D. Summer School will concentrate on the dynamics between the European Union (EU) and its eastern and southern neighborhoods, and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict with a special focus on the revised European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) framework, which is currently undergoing yet another review process. It will analyze the evolution and implications of the ENP, the social and political transformations in the neighboring countries, issues related to conflict and territorial occupation, and discuss how the most recent developments in the ENP countries, as well as in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, influence EU policies and politics.

Purpose

The purpose of this summer school is to bring together and train a group of Ph.D. students in theoretical, empirical and research-strategic issues on the subject matter, as well as encourage the exchange of their expertise. Additionally, the aim is to support the

participants in furthering their research projects. The Ph.D. Summer School invites political science applicants who specialize in various sub-disciplines, including EU Integration Studies, International Relations, Comparative Politics, Peace and Conflict Studies, and Public Administration.

Structure and content details

The first week, to be held on the Natolin campus of the College of Europe, will focus exclusively on the eastern dimension of the ENP, while the second week, to be held at BGU in Beer Sheva and at KAS Jerusalem and Ramallah, will focus on the southern dimension of the ENP and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Invited academics and relevant practitioners will give lectures in the mornings. Participants will present their own work in the afternoons. The topics presented during the morning sessions include, among others:

- The Evolution of the ENP – Problems and Pitfalls
- Research designs in the study of European integration, EU foreign policy and the ENP
- What kind of power? Role concepts, the ENP and ‘Normative Power Europe’
- The EU and state-building in the southern neighbourhood
- External Perceptions of the ENP and the EU as an international actor
- The EU’s Common Foreign and Security Policy and the ENP
- The ENP and Democracy Promotion
- A new generation of association agreements with the eastern neighbours of the EU
- The EU, the ENP and the Arab Spring
- The ENP and European external energy policy
- The ENP and the Eastern Partnership – The case of Ukraine
- The ENP and the Union for the Mediterranean
- The EU, the ENP and conflicts in the neighbourhood
- The EU, the ENP and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict
- The role of civil societies in conflicts in the neighbourhood
- The role of the European Parliament, the EEAS and other EU institutions in the ENP
-and more!

The school offers scholarly support on issues relating to the individual projects. In this respect, Ph.D. students are expected to circulate their paper before each presentation, and each presentation will be assigned to a discussant/lecturer that is supposed to prepare a number of specific comments. All of the students’ presentations will be followed by substantive discussions about how to improve their research theoretically/conceptually/methodologically and with regards to the case studies and the evidence used.

Fees

In order to enable successful candidates to travel to Natolin and Beer Sheva, the **participation fee is waived**. The ENP Chair and the CSEPS provide *20 successful applicants* with a **grant covering accommodation and full board during their stay in Poland, Israel and Palestine**. Also, **the CSEPS and KAS award the four best applications with a limited travel grant from Warsaw to Tel Aviv**. All other participants have to cover the costs of their travel themselves.

Applications

A maximum of 20 Ph.D. students may participate. Participants should most preferably be at least one year into their studies.

To apply, please send in one PDF file:

- A cover letter describing your motivation to participate
- A brief outline of your Ph.D. project (2-3 pages maximum)
- Your CV (2-3 pages maximum)

by **10 March 2015** to Ms. Maja Olszewska at maja.olszewska@coleurope.eu. All applicants will be informed about the results of the selection by 31 March 2015 at the latest.