Chair's Message

Fifty years ago on 1 December 1967 a group of UK academics gathered in Chatham House to address a pressing question: how to support the study, in the UK, of what was happening ‘on the continent’, namely, European integration? Within a year the group had named itself UACES, five years later the UK had joined the EEC, and what Alan Milward called the ‘European studies movement’ in the UK’s universities was born.

In December 2017 many of us are as motivated as were our predecessors to explore what it means to be an EU member state. We expect to be able to do so free from attacks on our academic integrity, and UACES recently published a statement to this effect.

We have been celebrating our anniversary throughout 2017. On 12-13 October in Florence, the Historical Archives of the European Union opened its vaults to reveal the newly-deposited UACES papers. On 14 December in Brussels, we will host a roundtable on the ‘Future of Europe’. We complete our celebrations in festive style on 8 December with an evening at the British Academy for all members to attend.

Our staff and committee have recently turned their minds to strategic thinking about UACES’s next fifty years. This includes developing JCMS and the JCMS Annual Review and running our first Doctoral Training Academy. We have created an Early Career membership option. And we continue to pour passion into the annual conference. Krakow 2017 was a delight and we look ahead with great pleasure to Bath 2018: the call for papers is open.

Helen Drake, Loughborough University (UACES Chair)

Read an extended version of Helen’s message on the UACES blog.
Upcoming Events

Events Calendar

Browse upcoming events worldwide organised by the wider European Studies Community

November | December | January

UACES 50th Birthday

Join us for a celebratory evening of drinks and canapés on 8 December at the British Academy

Tickets

Future of Europe: Roundtable

Register for our roundtable discussion coinciding with the December European Council, chaired by Dame Helen Wallace (Brussels, 14 December 2017)

Speakers | Register (free)

UACES 48th Annual Conference

uaces.org/bath

CfP Deadline: 19 January 2018

The UACES 2018 Call for Papers is now open. We look forward to receiving your paper and panel proposals, and to seeing you in the UNESCO World Heritage city of Romans and regency (3-5 September 2018).

www.uaces.org/bath

We’re delighted to announce that Terri Givens (Provost and
Professor, Menlo College) will deliver the JCMS Annual Lecture at UACES 2018. Professor Givens is an expert on the global politics of immigration, and European politics.

LISTEN: 'Join us for UACES 2018 in Bath' [54 seconds]

Click to hear Nicholas Startin, Head of Bath’s Department of Politics, Languages and International Studies (PoLIS), on what’s in store for UACES 2018.

JCR Journal of Contemporary European Research

New JCER issue published
JCER Vol 13, No 3 (2017)

Prize Draw for JCER Reviewers
Find out more

News

UACES Elections
Nominations are open for a new Chair and two new committee members

Visit uaces.org/elections to put yourself or a colleague forward

Appointments
Charlotte Burns has been appointed as a Professorial Fellow in sustainable growth at the Politics Department, University of Sheffield.

Helen Drake has been appointed as the Institute Director for Diplomacy and International Governance, Loughborough University London.

Thomas Hoerber has been appointed as the Director of the EU-Asia Institute.

Narin Idriz has been appointed as a Researcher at The T.M.C. Asser Institute, The Hague.

Christopher Huggins has been appointed as a Research Fellow at the Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Abderdeen.

James Ker-Lindsay has been appointed as Professor of Politics and Policy at St Mary’s University, Twickenham.

Joaquín Sarrión was selected as a Bingham Centre International Visiting Research Fellow at the British Institute of International and Comparative Law in September 2017 and has been appointed as Academic Secretary of the Mixed Institute of Research (IMIENS).

*Congratulations to our members for these appointments.*

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**Brexit Negotiations at De Lisle College: An EU Simulation Game**

In June 2017, a group of Year 12 students at De Lisle College, Loughborough, stepped into the shoes of the key players within the Brexit negotiations.

UACES EU Simulation Days have also taken place at Loughborough College and Ellowes Hall, Dudley, supported by the ESRC and Loughborough University. Thank you to UACES members **Karen Heard-Laureote, Vladimir Bortun**, and **Helen Drake** for their hard work.

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**Europe in the Archives, Europe in the Future**

Our 2-day conference at the Historical Archives of the European Union (HAEU) in Florence was filled with lively and timely discussion, with sessions covering archival research, the history of UACES, the gendered implications of Brexit, the future of European Studies and more.

Audio recordings will be available soon with the launch of the new Ideas on Europe podcast series. Stay tuned.
Thank you, ANTERO! Hello, NORTIA!

UACES is part of the successful Jean Monnet network application NORTIA: Network on Research and Teaching in EU Foreign Affairs. The project is led by Maastricht University (Gergana Noutcheva & Heidi Maurer) and the other partners are University College Dublin (Ben Tonra), the University of Kent (Richard Whitman), Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Kolja Raube and Stephan Keukeleire), the European University Institute (Federica Bicchi), the ARENA Centre for European Studies in Olso (Helene Sjursen), the Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan (Adam Jaskulski), Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals (IBEI, Robert Kissack) and Leiden University (Karolina Pomorska).

Following up on the success of the 2015-17 ANTERO network, NORTIA aims to deepen and strengthen a global community of senior and junior scholars. The scholarly goal is to apply lessons learned from 50 years of foreign policy cooperation to the challenges of a potentially fragmenting global order and Europe’s own existential crises. NORTIA does so by fostering cutting edge research, translating that research into innovative teaching and then actively engaging in policy debates.

You’ll be hearing more about NORTIA – the partners will be meeting soon to plan out the activities ahead. For now, follow @nortia_eu on twitter.
New Editorial Team (as of 1 July 2017)

Meet the new editorial team of JCMS, our highly ranked interdisciplinary journal, published by Wiley.

Editor-in-Chief: Toni Haastrup, University of Kent

Toni is Lecturer in International Security at the University of Kent, where she is also a Deputy Director of its Global Europe Centre. Her research and publications focus on practices of regional security actors, drawing on feminist approaches to International Relations.

Editor-in-Chief: Richard G Whitman, University of Kent

Richard is Professor of Politics and International Studies at the University of Kent, and Associate Fellow at Chatham House. He is currently Chair of the British International Studies Association (BISA) and has published on EU foreign, security and defence.

A global team including Lorenzo Fioramonti (University of Pretoria, South Africa), Heather MacRae (York University, Canada), Annick Masselot (University of Christchurch, NZ) and Alasdair Young (Georgia Tech University, USA) join JCMS as Co-Editors.

The new editors look forward to maintaining the legacy of excellence left by previous Editors, Michelle Cini (University of Bristol, UK) and Amy Verdun (University of Victoria, Canada), while seeking to bring JCMS to new heights through a commitment to multidisciplinarity.

New Books by Members

State Building in Post-Independence Kosovo: Policy Challenges and Societal Consideration - Ioannis Armakolas et al. (Eds)

The History of the European Migration Regime: Germany’s Strategic Hegemony - Emmanuel Comte

Interest Representation in the European Union (4th ed.) - Justin Greenwood

Hayek vs Keynes – A Battle of Ideas - Thomas Hoerber

After Austerity - Peter Taylor-Gooby, Benjamin Leruth, Heejung Chung

European Civil Society and Human Rights Advocacy - Markus Thiel
The Human Face of the European Union: Are EU Law and Policy Humane Enough? - Nuno Ferreira, Dora Kostakopoulou (Eds.)

The European Union's policy towards Mercosur Responsive not strategic - Arantza Gomez Arana

Implementation of the EU Damages Directive in Central and Eastern European Countries - Anna Piszcz

The European Parliament - Ariadna Ripoll Servent

The Routledge Handbook of Justice and Home Affairs Research - Ariadna Ripoll Servent, Florian Trauner (Eds.)

Awards

The winner of the JCMS Best Article Prize of 2015 is:

Stefanie Bailer, Mikko Mattila and Gerald Schneider
'Money Makes the EU Go Round: The Objective Foundations of Conflict in the Council of Ministers'

The JCMS Editors wish to thank the JCMS Prize Jury: Natalia Chaban, Jakob de Haan and Gijs Jan Brandsma.

UACES Best PhD Thesis Prize 2017

Congratulations to Lisanne Groen for winning the 2017 Best Thesis Prize with her work The Importance of Fitting Activities to Context: The EU in Multilateral Climate and Biodiversity Negotiations. She was awarded her prize at the Annual Conference Dinner at Krakow 2017.

Find out more | 2018 nominations open

UACES Best Book Prize 2017
At the Annual Conference Dinner during UACES 2017, the Best Book Prize was awarded to Michaël Tatham for *With, Without, or Against the State? How European regions play the Brussels game*. Congratulations, Michaël.

Find out more | 2018 nominations open

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**Funding and Scholarships**

**NORTIA Bursaries**

Bursaries for PhD students or Early-Career researchers from any country to undertake residences (1-3 months) at a university in the NORTIA network.

Find out more

**Archival Research Funding**

Funded Research Trip for PhD and Early-Career researchers from any country to the Historical Archives of the European Union, Florence.

Find out more

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**News from UACES Collaborative Research Networks**

**INTERSECT: Technology-Security-Society interplays in Europe**


Follow INTERSECT on twitter: [@INTERSECT_UACES](https://twitter.com/INTERSECT_UACES)

**Differentiated integration in the European Union after ‘Brexit’**

The CRN on Differentiated Integration in the European Union after Brexit will hold its kick-off meeting from 22-23 November 2017 at the University of Agder in Norway. You can find out more here.

The CRN has published its first working paper 'Differentiated integration and disintegration in the European Union:
State-of-the-art and ways for future research’. Read it here.

Follow them on twitter: @BrexitCRN

**European Energy Policy**

The 47th UACES Annual Conference in Krakow provided another opportunity for the CRN on European Energy Policy to meet up and discuss on-going research. The focal point of the discussion was “The conflicted governance of EU energy policy: Challenges towards the 2030 goals”, divided into three panels addressing the following more specific topics: (1) Institutional developments in the Energy Union and the extent to which these reflect integrationist or re-nationalization trends; (2) the role of ideas and politicization patterns in explaining institutional change in the energy policy of the member states and the EU; and (3) the difficult characterization of the EU’s growing involvement in energy security matters. The three panels gathered a good number of CRN members, but also attracted new researchers and a very engaged audience.

The CRN on European Energy Policy will hold its third workshop in Maastricht in Spring 2018. For more information, please get in touch with the CRN convenors: Jenny Fairbrass (j.fairbrass@uea.ac.uk), Anna Herranz-Surrallés (anna.herranz@maastrichtuniversity.nl) and Israel Solorio (isolorio@politicas.unam.mx)

**Europe and the Everyday**

Soeren Keil and Paul Anderson presented at a panel at the conference “Democratization and Constitutional Design in Divided Societies” which was jointly organised by IPSA RC14, 28 and 13. Their presentations focused on the consequences of citizen rights in multinational federations (Soeren Keil) and on the consequences of Brexit for UK constitutional politics. Dr Simona Guerra organised a workshop in July 2017 in Sarajevo at the War Childhood Museum, in which Europeanisation was discussed.

The CRN also organised two panels for the UACES conference in September 2017 in Krakow, one focusing on the consequences of Brexit and the other on constitutional politics in multinational states.

Finally, the second workshop of the CRN took place on the 20th and 21st of September in Canterbury at Canterbury Christ Church University. Participants from all over Europe discussed aspects of “Democratic Recession and Europe in Flux- Everyday Perspectives”.

Visit website

**Financial Accountability in the European Union (EUFINACCO)**

Co-convener of EUFINACCO, Paul Stephenson is organising a workshop on ‘Policy Evaluation in the EU’ on 25-26 January 2018 at Maastricht University’s Brussels Campus. More information is available here.

The CRN ran three panels at the UACES conference in Krakow in September 2017. The panels covered Financial Accountability from institutional, policy and member state perspectives.

Follow EUFINACCO on Twitter: @EUFINACCO
The EU as International Mediator

The EU as an International Mediator CRN held their opening workshop in Brussels on 26 January 2017. The event was hosted by the University of Kent’s Brussels School of International Studies.

Use the links below to keep up-to-date with future CRN activities.

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Jobs

Lectureship in International Politics

Queen Mary University of London - School of Politics & International Relations

Application Deadline: 16 Nov 2017 | Website

Vacancies in your department? Send them to admin@uaces.org to be featured on the UACES Jobs Board.

Resources

Crossroads Europe | The UACES Student Forum Blog

Recent Articles

Measuring the Impact of EU Accession on Potential Candidate Country Parliaments - Blerim Vela

Why the EU Needs ‘De-crisising’ - Max Steuer

Taking an Alternative Approach to Doing EU Studies: Using Foucault’s Thinking to Better Understand the EU and Migration - Rachael Dickson Hillyard

The Spectre of the ‘Welfare Tourist’ within the Judgements of the CJEU - Charles O’Sullivan
Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Claims of Asylum

Resources and information derived from the ERC-funded project exploring the social and legal experiences of asylum seekers across Europe claiming international protection on the basis of their sexual orientation or gender identity (SOGI). Visit website.

How to Write for an Academic Blog

Blogs are increasingly relevant to researchers and, for those starting out in contributing to them, it can be useful to reflect on the differences with other outputs, writes Anthony Salamone. He sets out some suggestions on how to approach writing for an academic blog, including how to gain the most from the experience. Read article.