Chair's Column | Nicholas Startin

Thank you to everyone who stood for election to the UACES committee. Their willingness to be involved in the running of the Association is much appreciated. You can find the results of the elections below.

It’s full steam ahead in terms of preparation for UACES 2019 in the wonderful surroundings of the Portuguese capital. We have a busy and varied programme and early-bird registration ends on 31st May.

I look forward to attending the Graduate Forum Conference in Manchester in July, to talk about the forthcoming European elections and to hear about the research of a new generation of European Studies scholars. Last month I had the pleasure of attending the 2019 JCMS Annual Review Lecture at the European Parliament Library in Brussels, which was delivered by Brigid Laffan (Director of the Robert Schuman Centre, EUI and UACES patron) and pertinently entitled ‘How the EU 27 Came to Be.’ Thank you to the JCMS Annual Review Editors for their organisation.

In terms of future developments, our Equality & Diversity survey is now live and I encourage colleagues to fill in the questionnaire.

Can I also remind colleagues to set up or update their Expert on Europe profiles? The site is a great showcase for the wide pool of expertise of our membership.

Finally, thank you to Katharine King for all of her efforts as Office Manager while Emily Linnemann was on parental leave. A very warm welcome back to Emily.

As I have said in previous columns, do email me if you have any suggestions about the Association and its future. Thanks for your continued support of UACES.

Nicholas Startin, University of Bath

Read the full version of my chair's message here
# Events

## Events Calendar

Browse upcoming events worldwide in European Studies. Student & ECR members receive funding to attend selected events.

| May | June | July |

## Event Funding

Organising an event on Europe?
Apply for a UACES Small Event Grant (up to 1,000 GBP)

**Next deadline: 17 May 2019**

Learn more

## The Changing Role of Citizens in Reforming EU Democracy

15 May 2019, London, UK

Workshop addresses the rising challenges of reforming EU democracy and increasing citizen involvement in EU governance. Student & ECR travel support available.

Learn more and register

## Roma Rights in Europe: Cross-disciplinary Approaches

24 May 2019, Cambridge, UK

Symposium exploring the themes of Roma healthcare access, social and psychological effects of urban ghettoization and gender issues. Student & ECR travel support available.

Learn more and register

## UACES 2019 | Lisbon

Browse the [programme](https://www.uaces.org/lisbon) and register (with early-bird rates & discounts for members, students and early-career researchers).

Register by [31 May](https://www.uaces.org/lisbon) for a chance to win £150 worth of Routledge books.

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UACES 50th Annual Conference
Belfast, UK

6-9 September 2020 | #UACES2020
CfP opens in Autumn 2019

Decentring Europe: Critical Approaches to European Foreign Policy
7 March 2019
University of London Institute in Paris

 Supported by a UACES Small Event Grant

This research seminar departed from prevailing conceptualisations of European foreign policy and offered a cross-disciplinary insight on EU foreign policy, and a debate on methodologies and on how to operationalise novel, decentred analytical perspectives for EU foreign policy. It engaged both young and senior scholars as well as professionals from the field of diplomacy in a fruitful discussion on the place, role and possibilities of a decentred EU in world politics.

Read event report

JCMS Annual Review 2019 Lecture
4 April 2019, European Parliament, Brussels

The JCMS Annual Review 2019 Lecture was delivered by Prof. Brigid Laffan (Director, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, EUI) and concerned the emergence of EU27 in the face of Brexit. In her lecture, Prof. Laffan explained how the 'Brexit shock' came at a time when the EU had endured a series of crises that had seemed too much for the weakened Union to bear. The evening of 23 June 2016, as Professor Laffan highlighted, was a momentous one in the history of European integration. Read more...

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Equality & Diversity Survey
Call for Participants
We invite all UACES members to complete a survey on UACES and equality and diversity issues. Deadline: 28 May. Prize draw for respondents. 

Complete survey (passcode: e&d1967)

Publications

New Issue of JCER
Read the latest contemporary European research and book reviews, all open-access:

JCER Vol 15, No 1 (2019)

Search JCER archives

Prize Draw for JCER Reviewers
We are pleased to announce that the winner of the JCER Reviewer Prize Draw 2019 is Brendan Moore (University of East Anglia) who wins free attendance at Lisbon 2019. The prize draw will run again in 2020; register as a JCER reviewer here.

Interview: European Security in the 21st Century
Dr Nathalie Tocci (Istituto Affari Internazionali, University of Tübingen, and Special Adviser to EU HRVP Federica Mogherini) discusses the past, present and future of European security and the EU’s Global Strategy with JCER editor Dr Kenneth McDonagh.

Recent JCER Blog Posts
How to Use Simulations to Boost Interest in Studying the EU Karen Heard-Lauréote, Vladimir Bortun and Milan Kreuschitz
Beyond the Brussels Bubble? National Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) in the European Union Rosa Sanchez Salgado and Andrey Demidov

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New Books by UACES Members

**Civil Rights and EU Citizenship** — eds. Sybe de Vries, Henri de Waele, Marie-Pierre Grange [use code UACE35 for 35% discount]

**Peace, Security and Defence Cooperation in Post-Brexit Europe** — Cornelia-Adriana Baciu

**Contemporary European Security** — David J. Galbreath, Jocelyn Mawdsley, Laura Chappell

**NATO, Gender and the Military: Women Organising from Within** — Katharine A.M. Wright, Matthew Hurley, Jesus Ignacio Gil Ruiz

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Routledge/UACES Contemporary European Studies Series

- **Parties, Power and Policy-making** — Silvana Tarlea
- **Citizenship, Nation-building and Identity in the EU** — Cherry James
- **The Informal Construction of Europe** — Lennaert van Heumen and Mechthild Roos (eds.)
- **Changing Borders in Europe** — Jacint Jordana, Michael Keating, Axel Marx, Jan Wouters (eds.)

Use the code UAC18 for 20% off online paperback purchases on all Routledge titles. If a book in the CES Series is only available in hardback, purchase it for just 40 GBP by emailing corporate.sales@tandf.co.uk, stating your UACES membership type.

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**CALL FOR GUEST EDITORS**

**JCMS (Journal of Common Market Studies) Special Issue 2021**

Deadline for proposals: 15 May 2019

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**New Discounts for UACES Members**
Yale University Press

30% off selected European Studies titles (code: Y1942), including:

- Scots and Catalans: Union and Disunion by J. H. Elliott
- War: An Enquiry by A. C. Grayling
- Quest for Status: Chinese and Russian Foreign Policy by Deborah Welch Larson, Alexei Shevchenko

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30% off all titles (code: CSN319UACE)

Recent titles:

- Practiced Citizenship: Women, Gender, and the State in Modern France by Nimisha Barton & Richard S. Hopkins (University of Nebraska Press)
- Balkan Blues: Consumer Politics after State Socialism by Yuson Jung (Indiana University Press)
- From Russia with Code: Programming Migrations in Post-Soviet Times by Mario Biagioli & Vincent Antonin Lépinay (Duke University Press)

Appointments and Achievements

Ben Farrand has been appointed Reader in Law & Emerging Technologies at Newcastle Law School.

Ryan Murphy has been appointed Associate Professor in Law at Swansea University Law School.

If you have news to share for the next newsletter (e.g. appointments, achievements and completed PhDs), please email admin@uaces.org

UACES Archival Research Scholar 2019

We are delighted to announce that this year's recipient of UACES funding to visit the Historical Archives of the European Union (HAEU) in Florence is Lucie Chamlian (Kiel University). Lucie will be conducting research for a critical history and sociology of European Studies. Learn more
**UACES Fieldwork Scholar 2019**

Nüve Yazgan (University of Surrey) used her UACES scholarship to spend four weeks in Greece conducting a series of interviews with political actors relevant to her PhD thesis on "Reform Implementation during Austerity: Explaining the Greek and Irish Cases".  

[Read report](#)

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**UACES Election Results 2019**

We are pleased to announce that the newly elected Treasurer of UACES for September 2019-2022 is Jocelyn Mawdsley and joining us as Committee members will be Arantza Gomez Arana and Mechthild Roos. Thank you to the electorate and to all who stood for election.

**Arantza Gomez Arana** (Lecturer in the School of Social Sciences, Birmingham City University)

"As Committee member, I would like to help develop further a supportive environment for PhD students and for Early Career Researchers. I will also prioritise the need to endorse initiatives that would benefit and increase diversity. I look forward to helping support multidisciplinary and multinational research projects that develop innovative and strong networks of professionals. In the current climate, the visibility of European Union studies and the support of its teaching and research across different countries is of vital importance and I look forward to promoting this."

**Jocelyn Mawdsley** (Senior Lecturer in European Politics at Newcastle University)

"After having spent three interesting years as a UACES Committee member, I look forward to taking over as Treasurer in September. I've always enjoyed the international, interdisciplinary and, above all, welcoming nature of UACES, and have got a lot out of being a member – this is a great opportunity to give something back and to help with the association's strategic decision-making. I will do my best to keep UACES in good financial health."

**Mechthild Roos** (Lecturer in Comparative Politics, Augsburg University)

"Being elected is a great honour. I want to help ensure that many more scholars can benefit from UACES’s manifold different offers. Given that my own research is situated at the
juncture of political science and European integration history, I want to contribute to preserve and enhance UACES's activities promoting interdisciplinary research collaboration. I will do my best to help make UACES thrive as the important and multifaceted forum of scholarly exchange that it has been for over 50 years."

Welcome to New UACES Group Members

Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies, KU Leuven

School of Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities, Neapolis University Pafos

Institute for the Study of Ideas of Europe, University of East Anglia

UACES Research Networks (RNs)

Communicating Europe

Communicating Europe is a research network bringing together academics in the field of law, politics, communications and sociology in order to explore the role of communication in the assessment of the EU’s actions and policies, as well as how the tone, content and source of communications affect public perceptions of the legitimacy of the EU. By focusing on the language used by European institutions such as the Commission in justifying its actions, the role of national politicians and traditional media in reporting about the EU, and the rise of online disinformation
spread by populist actors, Communicating Europe seeks to achieve a more holistic, cross-disciplinary understanding of the role and impact of communications about Europe upon its everyday activities.

Read the latest article on the Communicating Europe blog: Communicating Europe: Who Speaks, and Why?

RN Coordinators:
Benjamin Farrand; Catherine de Vries; Isabel Camisão; Katjana Gattermann

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The EU as International Mediator

Since 2016, the EU as International Mediator (EUaIM) has been a collaborative research network that seeks to create and promote new knowledge on the EU’s role in international crisis management through mediation. The Network provides the basis for the development and refinement of a research agenda that assess the place of mediation within the EU’s crisis toolkit while theorising the EU’s capacity to broker peace.

RN Coordinators: Richard Whitman, Toni Haastrup, Arne Niemann, Julian Bergmann

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Read the EU as International Mediator RN’s recent publication marking its final workshop:

Policy Brief:
"Version 2.0: Rebooting the EU's International Mediation Role"

The Limits of EUrope:
Challenging the Crisis of European Integration

Founded in 2018, "The Limits of EUrope" is an international, interdisciplinary, and extradisciplinary network which combines scholars at all career stages withearly-career scholars to emeritus professors, national and international policymakers, experts from commerce and industry, civil society advocates, and journalists, this non-traditional panel will provide one of the first opportunities for interdisciplinary, extradisciplinary analysis of the May 2019 European Parliament elections.
third-sector experts from across the world.

In order to reflect contemporary diversity of thought on the EU, the network was established to provide a forum for different normative imaginations of what EU-rope is, and what it should be, from a wide spectrum of viewpoints, and to provide a collegial atmosphere for exchanging views on an EU which continues to struggle with multiple emergent crises. Since the foundation of the network the EU has continued to face new challenges and opportunities, including the rise of the far-right in Spain, a new and non-traditional leader in Ukraine, and the surprising performance of anti-Brexit parties in Britain's local elections. And in the summer of 2019, the EU will face an unprecedented challenge in the European Parliament elections.

The Limits of EUrope network will be holding a non-traditional panel session at UACES 2019 in Lisbon. Combining europhilic and eurosceptic academics ranging from

This roundtable panel will enable a multi-perspective analysis of the state of European politics six months after the original Brexit date (and now, on the eve of Brexit in October 2019) and how both Britain and the EU have reacted to two imminent developments which will fundamentally reshape European politics, and European Studies as a discipline. First, the final stages of Brexit. Second, the European Parliament elections and subsequent new European Commission. This will lead to establishing new areas for research and cooperation by network members (in which UACES will be able to play a lead role as a pioneer of international interdisciplinary, extradisciplinary research between Europhiles and Eurosceptics), and a strong potential for collaborative publications with significant impact.

Network Coordinators (please get in touch to join): Dr Russell Foster; Dr Jan Grzymski
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Differentiated integration in the European Union after ‘Brexit’

Given the path with which Brexit has been moving over the past year, the past few months have been extremely busy. Several members of the network have contributed to a manuscript which is currently prepared for publication in the second half of this year: Stefan Gänzle, Benjamin Leruth and Jarle Trondal (eds), Differentiated Integration and Disintegration in a ‘post-Brexit’ Era, London: Routledge. This project will start a series of publications devoted to the subject of the research network. Another highlight is the planned composition of a handbook on differentiated integration in the European Union, also under contract with Routledge. Towards that end, the RN coordinators will invite contributions including different theoretical angles exploring causes and effects of differentiation, as well as discussing a wide range of policies, institutions and actors affected or contributing to a growth of both differentiated integration and disintegration.

RN Coordinators: Benjamin Leruth, Stefan Gänzle and Jarle Trondal
Effective Enforcement of EU Law and Policy

The UACES Research Network on the Effective Enforcement of EU Law and Policy will be holding a panel at the UACES Annual Conference in Lisbon entitled, ‘The Legacy of Austerity on the Effective Enforcement of EU Law and Policy’.

Following the financial crisis of 2008, EU Member States adopted austerity measures in various guises, either at the behest of the EU/IMF (e.g. Greece, Portugal, Ireland), or at the instigation of their own national government (e.g. UK). The consequent budget cuts led to a reduction in the resources available to public authorities responsible for the enforcement of EU law and policy including national courts. Cuts to legal aid, the closure of courts, increases in court fees, and reduction in judges’ pay have all threatened to undermine access to justice and decrease the protection conferred by EU law and policy on citizens and businesses. The compatibility of these austerity measures with European fundamental rights has been challenged with mixed success before national courts as well as the EU’s Court of Justice, and the European Court of Human Rights.

Austerity measures have also had a broader impact on compliance with, and enforcement of EU law and policy beyond the courts. As the EU and its Member States emerge from the ‘age of austerity’, and face new challenges (e.g. rule of law crisis, anti-EU populism, migration, Brexit, terrorism), what is the legacy of austerity on the effective enforcement of EU law and policy? The RN is pleased to present four papers which address the enforcement of EU law and policy from different perspectives including the role of courts and arbitration in protecting the rights of depositors and shareholders in the aftermath of the financial crisis; the enforcement mechanisms introduced by the 2012 Fiscal Compact and the role of the Commission and the CJEU; and the emergence of the European Pillar of Social Rights and the effective enforcement of these rights. The RN will also be holding a network meeting at this event for existing and new members.

To join the network, please contact Dr. Sara Drake.

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Gendering EU Studies

The Gendering EU Studies (GES) Research Network brings together a rich and growing body of work in the area of gender and EU politics and

Europe and the Everyday: Grassroots, EU and the Politics of Crisis

Since 2016, this RN has forged an inter-disciplinary network of scholars
policies, with the intention of mainstreaming gender and feminist approaches in EU studies. The Research Network seeks to encourage the further development of this scholarship and encourage the dissemination of key findings within mainstream outlets.

Read the latest post on the GES blog: Towards an Inclusive Peace and Security: taking stock on the gender dimension

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working to examine the everyday politics of the EU and Europeanisation, and investigate how ‘Europe’ is embedded in the lived experience of ordinary individuals, communities and spaces.

Read the latest post on the Europe and the Everyday blog:
Can you obstruct justice publicly? Political and Legal Wrongdoing in the Media Age

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INTERSECT: Technology-Security-Society interplays in Europe

INTERSECT creates a cross-European structure for advancing the knowledge on the many facets of the interplays between technological developments, security practices, and societal changes in Europe.

INTERSECT panels taking place at UACES 2019:
From the Cyber Domain to Artificial Intelligence
Cyber-security policies in Europe
The Technological Edge in EU Defence Dynamics
The Political Theory of Security Technologies

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Vacancies and Funding

- Assistant Professors in International Business / Finance / Management / Marketing (ESSCA School of Management, Shanghai). Deadline: Rolling
- Lecturer in European & International Studies (King’s College London). Deadline: 23 May
- Academic Assistants in the Department of European Interdisciplinary Studies (College of Europe, Natolin Campus). Deadline: 20 May
- PhD Researchers on Environment and Sustainable Development (Vrije Universiteit Brussel). Deadline: 15 May
- PhD Programme in European Law (University of Bologna). Deadline: 15 May
- PhD Researcher on Migration and Diversity (Vrije Universiteit Brussel). Deadline: 15 May
- PhD Studentships in Business, Law and related areas (UWE, Bristol). Deadline: 23 May
- PhD Project - The Impact of Brexit on Sport (Loughborough University). Deadline: 30 May
- PhD Studentship - EU Circular Migration (University of Portsmouth). Deadline: 18 June

The online UACES Jobs Board is updated weekly. Email vacancies to admin@uaces.org for inclusion.

News from the NORTIA Network

NORTIA Student Essay Competition: “50 years of European foreign policy cooperation”

Do you know a Masters student researching European foreign policy, European external relations or the EU’s role in the world?

The call for submission for the NORTIA essay competition is now open. Learn more.

UACES is a member of NORTIA: the Network on Research and Teaching in EU Foreign Affairs - an Erasmus+ network, encompassing ten institutions. Learn more, get involved and meet the members here.
1-day workshop organised by NORTIA co-coordinator Dr. Heidi Maurer (University of Oxford) and editors of the Handbook on EU-Russian Relations (forthcoming 2019), Dr Tatiana Romanova (St. Petersburg State University) and Dr Maxine David (Leiden University)

In the kick-off session "Perspectives on European Foreign Policy in the Context of Current EU-Russia Relations", speakers shared their assessments about the state of European foreign policy cooperation. They were asked:

- What are the most pressing challenges facing the EU and its Foreign Policy?
- Can the EU do something in 2019 that it couldn’t do in 2009?
- Is the EU willing to do something more/different now than 10 years ago?

*Listen to the talks below or read more.*

**Helene Sjursen**
University of Oslo and coordinator of GLOBUS

**Tony van der Togt**
Clingendael
The Graduate Forum and JCER blog, Crossroads Europe, publishes research and analysis on contemporary Europe, and reflections on being a researcher. Read some recent posts below:

- **Merkel, Coalition Politics and Negotiating the Common European Asylum System: Constrained by Domestic Actors?** Saskia Smellie
- **The EU as a Normative Power: the Issue of Eurocentric Approaches to EU Action Analysis** Aiste Pagirenaite
- **The Perception of European Identity in Scotland** Alastair Mackie

Are you an early-career researcher or postgraduate student interested in writing a blog? We're always looking out for new contributions. Read the guidelines here and get in touch with blog editors and UACES GF Committee members Rachael Dickson and Olga Litvyak.

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**Turning Your PhD Thesis Into a Book: A Publisher's Top Tips**

Want to turn your PhD thesis into a book, but not sure where to start? Based on the recent UACES Doctoral Training Academy, Claire Maloney (Routledge) gives her...
Engaging With the Media as an Academic

Sharing your expertise in the media can be a highly effective way of increasing the impact of your research. It can also be very daunting. Based on the recent UACES Doctoral Training Academy, Kathryn Simpson shares her top tips for media engagement.