Chair's Column | Nicholas Startin

I look forward to seeing many of you at UACES 2019 in Lisbon. As ever, it looks like an excellent programme of research sessions, plenaries and non-traditional panels. At the conference dinner, we will present our 2019 Awards, including the Lifetime Achievement Award (the winner is announced in this newsletter).

In July, I had the pleasure of participating in the Graduate Forum Conference in Manchester and hearing about the cutting-edge research of our postgraduate and early-career members. The Doctoral Training Academy takes place in November in Brussels and the GF Committee will soon be looking for students and ECRs to stand for election.

In other news, I am very pleased to report that UACES has been awarded Jean Monnet funding for our project ‘DIMES’, to improve diversity, inclusion and multidisciplinarity in European Studies. We will be launching this project this Autumn, along with a new two-tier membership rate to reflect income differences between countries. We are also finalising our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Policy and we will propose the introduction of an elected EDI Officer at the UACES AGM in Lisbon.

I would like to thank Simon Usherwood whose term as Treasurer comes to an end in September. Simon has done an excellent job and his calm and committed presence as an Officer and on the Committee will be missed. I look forward to working with Jocelyn Mawdsley as the new Treasurer. We will soon be looking for two new Committee members and a new Secretary so please do consider standing for election.

Nicholas Startin, University of Bath | Read the full version of my message here
Get Involved...

UACES Elections
Nominations are now open from Individual and Early-Career Members for the UACES Executive Committee. We are looking for a new Secretary & 2 new Committee members to start in 2019. Learn more

Graduate Forum Elections
Are you interested in representing the postgraduate and early-career European Studies community? In October, nominations will open for new Committee members. Look out for news via the members’ email list.

Events

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

Next deadline: 13 Sept 2019
Learn more

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

September | October | November

SAVE THE DATE
We are delighted to partner with POLITICO for the EU Studies & Career Fair 2020. Become a sponsor to exhibit your courses and job opportunities or attend as a student or young professional to plan your career. Learn more

Doctoral Training Academy
22 November 2019, Brussels
A full day of workshops and sessions on the theme of "Teaching and the Profession" for PhD and early-career researchers in European Studies.

Registration opens in October

UACES 2020 | Belfast

The call for papers and panels for our 50th Annual Conference in Belfast opens in October.

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The Changing Role of Citizens in Reforming EU Democracy | Event Report
15 May 2019
Queen Mary University of London
Supported by a UACES Small Event Grant

This workshop addressed the rising challenges of reforming EU democracy and increasing citizen involvement in EU governance. These challenges have become particularly tangible with the exacerbation of existential crises in the EU, which require swift executive action, often at the expense of genuine democratic deliberation and citizen input. The aim was to analyse and reflect on the evolving institutional position of citizens in EU governance. The interdisciplinary pool of speakers approached citizens not as passive

Small States and Security in Europe: Between National and International Policy-Making | Event Report
27-28 June 2019
University of Cambridge
Supported by a UACES Small Event Grant

Organised by Dr Geoffrey Edwards (University of Cambridge) and Dr Tomáš Weiss (Charles University), this workshop aimed at identifying and discussing the specific position of small states in the highly institutionalised European security environment, and brought together researchers with a similar interest to discuss future collaboration. Participants arrived from all over Europe to exchange ideas and discuss draft papers on a range of related issues in security strategies, security governance, defence
recipients of rights, but as active participants in the shaping of EU decisions and policies. cooperation, migration, as well as civil protection and geopolitics.

Read event report

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UACES 2022
Call for Host
Do you want to bring the UACES Annual Conference to your university, town or city? We are now looking for a host for our 52nd conference in 2022!
Expressions of interest are invited until 30th September.

Learn more

Publications

JCER Special Issue 2019
'Recent Changes in EU Economic Governance: Methodological and Institutional Dynamics'
Guest Editors: Michele Chang, Martin Sacher, Igor Tkalec

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Publish with JCER
We invite submissions in any area of contemporary European Studies from academics at all stages of careers, including PhD students.

Make a Submission

Winner of the Luke Foster Prize 2019
UACES and JCER are delighted to announce the winner of the 2019 Luke Foster Best JCER Article Prize, dedicated to the memory of our late Executive Director.

The prize rewards the best article published in JCER Volume 14 (2018) by a PhD student or an academic within 5 years of completing their PhD.

First Prize (£500)
• Claire Lafon: ‘Europeanization Through the European Women’s Lobby: A Sociological Comparison of the French and Belgian National Coordinations’ (Available open-access here)

Runners-Up (£250)

• Fanny Tittel-Mosser – ‘Reversed Conditionality in EU External Migration Policy: The Case of Morocco’ (Available open-access here)

• Hakan Johansson, Roberto Scaramuzzino and Magnus Wennerhag – ‘Multilevel Strategies for Political Influence: How and Why Do Domestic Civil Society Organisations Seek Political Influence at National and EU Levels?’ (Available open-access here)

New Books by UACES Members

The Rise and Decline of Fundamental Rights in EU Citizenship — Adrienne Yong

The EU Anti-Corruption Report: A Reflexive Governance Approach — Andi Hoxhaj [use code UAC18 for 20% discount]

Actors, Institutions, and the Making of EU Gender Equality Programs — Petra Ahrens

The European Union and China — Thomas Christiansen, Emil Kirchner, Uwe Wissenbach [use code UACES20 for 20% discount]

Contestation of EU Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy — Magdalena Góra, Natasza Styczyńska, Marcin Zubek (ed.)

National Constitutions in European and Global Governance — Anneli Albi, Samo Bardutzky

The Quality of Divided Democracies — Licia Cianetti

The Far-Right in International and European Law — Natalie Alkiviadou [use code UAC18 for 20% discount]

Human Rights in the Council of Europe and the European Union — Steven Greer, Janneke Gerards, Rose Slowe

Rethinking 'democratic Backsliding' in Central and Eastern Europe — Licia Cianetti, James Dawson, Seán Hanley [use code UAC18 for 20% discount]

Europe and Northern Ireland's Future: Negotiating Brexit's Unique Case — Mary Murphy [use code AF2019 for 20% discount]
Call for Contributions: Space Power and Politics

UACES member Thomas Hoerber invites contributions to the Routledge Space Power and Politics book series. Learn more

New Routledge/UACES Books

- *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 purchases on all Routledge titles.

Press Release: Study Questions European Parliament's Perception as Champion of Gender Equality
The European Parliament is often viewed as the most democratic and gender equal decision-making institution of the European Union. A recent JCMS article critically scrutinizes this assumption through an analysis of female members’ perceptions. Read more

**Latest JCMS Blogs**

- **The EU3/EU4 vis-à-vis Iran: Unwilling and Incapable?** Tom Sauer
- **Can the EU Do Strategy?** Andrew Cottey
- **Critics Claim That Europe’s Courts Are Unaccountable. Recent Cases Suggest Otherwise** Michael F. Harsch, Vladislav Maksimov, and Chris Wheeler
- **Bringing Nonviolence into the Building Sites of the European Union** Roberto Baldoli and Claudio M. Radaelli
- **Tribute to Professor John Peterson** JCMS Editors

**New Discounts for UACES Members**

**Macmillan International Higher Education**

20% off all titles *(code: UACES20)* in the *European Union Series* *(Series editors: Simon Bulmer, Neill Nugent)*

**Combined Academic Publishing**

30% off all titles *(code: CSN319UACE)*

Recent titles:

- **The Gray Zone: Sovereignty, Human Smuggling, and Undercover Police Investigation in Europe** Gregory Feldman (Stanford University Press)
- **Restructuring the European State: European Integration and State Reform** Paolo Dardanelli (McGill-Queen’s University Press)

View all members’ discounts

**Appointments and Achievements**

**Toni Haastrup** has been appointed Senior Lecturer in International Politics at the University of Stirling.
Clara Portela has been appointed Senior Associate Analyst at EUISS (European Union Institute for Security Studies).

Helena Ekelund has been appointed Senior Lecturer at the Department of Political Science at Linnaeus University.

Benjamin Leruth has been appointed Assistant Professor in European Politics and Society at the University of Groningen.

Rachael Dickson has been appointed Research Fellow on the Wellcome Trust Funded Project ‘Everyday Cyborgs 2.0: Law’s Boundary-work and Alternative Legal Futures’ at the University of Birmingham.

Paul Anderson has successfully defended his PhD thesis, 'Territorial Politics in Flux: Autonomy and Secession in the UK and Spain' (Canterbury Christ Church University).

Olga Litvyak has successfully defended her PhD thesis, 'Explaining framing strategies in national election campaigns in Germany, Switzerland, and the Netherlands (2009-2017)' (SciencePo University of Lausanne).

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

UACES Lifetime Achievement Award 2019

We are delighted to announce that Professor Nonna Mayer of Sciences Po is the 2019 recipient of the UACES Lifetime Achievement Award for her contributions to contemporary European Studies. The award will be presented at the Annual Conference Dinner in Lisbon.

Learn more and read testimonials from Nonna’s friends & colleagues...

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UACES Research Networks (RNs)
Effective Enforcement of EU Law and Policy

We bid farewell to Dr. Melanie Smith, one of the founding network co-ordinators, who is leaving academia. We wish Melanie all the best as an academic writing coach. Melanie has played a key role in establishing the network and driving its activities over the past year. She built our website and has edited its content and authored many blogs. We are very grateful to Melanie for all her energy, drive and humour. She will be missed! Melanie will remain a member of the network and will be attending our events and continuing with her own writing collaborations.

The network is delighted to welcome Dr. Mónica García Quesada as a network co-ordinator. A political scientist, Mónica is committed to the interdisciplinary research agenda upon which the network is based (see her blog post here). Mónica joined the network last year and presented a paper at UACES 2018 in Bath. Mónica is based in Brussels and will be responsible for developing links with practitioners and policy makers as well as editing our blog posts. She will be in touch with you all over the next few months to invite contributions. You can contact Mónica at monicagq@gmail.com.

We are delighted to welcome the following new members to the network: Piotr Śpiewanowski (Vistula University); Anna-Louise Hinds (National University of Ireland); Wojtek Paczos (Cardiff University); Aleydis Nissen (Cardiff University); Samvel Varvastian (Cardiff University).

We are counting the days until we host our network meeting and panel at UACES 2019 in Lisbon. The panel, entitled The Legacy of Austerity on the Enforcement of EU Law and Policy, features three papers from Despina Christofi (UCLan, Cyprus), Susana Muñoz (University of Luxembourg) and Gerard Conway (Brunel University, UK). Our network meeting will be held at lunchtime on Tuesday 3rd September in the THD institute room followed by our panel in room 12.06. Finally, the network will be hosting a workshop in January 2020 at Cardiff University. More details will follow after the summer.

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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"
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.

Communicating Europe is gearing up for a summer of activity - as well as hosting two panels at the UACES Annual Conference, the Research Network will be hosting a workshop at Newcastle on the 19th-20th September. The UACES panels take place on 3rd September, with one considering the ways in which the legitimacy of the EU is challenged through public discourses, and a second panel on the ways in which the legitimacy of the EU is strengthened through public discourses. More information on the workshop will follow soon.

Follow @CommunicatingE | Get in touch to join the RN.

Differentiated Integration in the European Union after ‘Brexit’

New blog post: "Why There Won’t Be a ‘Hard Brexit'"

Call for Papers: The Brexit process, differentiation and (dis)integration in Europe
23-24 April 2020, University of Agder, Kristiansand, Norway

The UACES Research Network on Differentiated Integration in the EU after Brexit, the University of Agder’s Jean Monnet Chair in European Governance and the Department of Political Science and Management are pleased to send this call for papers for the final RN conference.

We especially welcome contributions on the following themes: (1) the causes of differentiation; (2) the impact of differentiation on (non-)member states and/or specific policy areas; (3) how differentiation is implemented across Europe; (4) how Brexit impacts the study of differentiation (both in terms of differentiated integration and disintegration); (5) the constitutional and legal aspects of differentiation and (6) comparisons of differentiation across different regional and international organizations. Other themes and issues related to differentiated integration and disintegration are also welcomed.

All papers will be considered for publication in the forthcoming Routledge Handbook of Differentiated Integration, co-edited by the Research Network Conveners (Benjamin Leruth, Stefan Gänzle and Jarle Trondal).

Limited funding available. Submissions from early career researchers (PhD students or within three years since completion) are especially encouraged and will be considered for a £200 award.

Interested applicants should submit their title, a 200-400 words long abstract and a short biography by email to the RN coordinators by 2 September 2019: Benjamin Leruth, Stefan Gänzle and Jarle Trondal
The Limits of EUrope: Challenging the Crisis of European Integration

"The Limits of EUrope" - an international, interdisciplinary, and extra-disciplinary network which combines scholars at all career stages with third-sector experts from across the world – will hold a non-traditional panel at annual 2019 UACES conference in Lisbon. Entitled 'The Limits of EUrope Beyond Brexit: The New European Parliament and post-Brexit EUrope', it will bring together 10 Network Members to discuss:

- Brexit, (ir)reversibility, and party politics in the UK's countdown to 31 October,
- The rise and potential stalling of left- and right-wing populism in Europe,
- The processes and consequences of the European Parliament elections,
- Political selection of, and challenges to, the incoming European Commission,
- The impact of EU and UK politics on UK, EU27, non-EU, and world markets,
- The impact of EU and UK politics on domestic and foreign policy in the EU27 members,
- Revisiting and developing theories of European integration and dis-integration,
- Public (mis)trust in national and international organisations

The format of this panel envisions the roundtable panel, which is expected to encompass a multi-perspective analysis of European politics before potential Brexit in October 2019, the situation after the European Parliament elections and subsequent new European Commission. The panel aims at establishing new areas for research and cooperation by network members with the potential for collaborative publications.

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The Balkans in, on the road, or our the European Union | Event Report
15-16 April 2019
Lazarski University, Warsaw, Poland
The Limits of Europe RN co-organised a 2-day interdisciplinary conference bringing together scholars, students and non-academic experts to discuss and present research on the challenges and opportunities in the Balkan region.
Read event report

Gendering EU Studies

The Gendering EU Studies RN has had a busy few months!

As an outcome of our November workshop in Brussels, Katharine Wright (Newcastle) and Olivia Caeymaex (Quaker Council for European Affairs) successfully bid for ESRC Impact Acceleration
Funding for a project to provide practical tools for those working within peace and security institutions to implement a gender perspective. Learn more here.

In June, Katharine Wright launched her co-authored book (with Matthew Hurley and Jesus Gil Ruiz) in Brussels at two events hosted at NATO Headquarters and by the Irish Embassy and Women in International Security. NATO, Gender and the Military: Women Organising from Within takes the long view of NATO’s engagement with gender issues, considering how the actors and institution shape later engagement with the Women, Peace and Security agenda.

On our blog, Clémence Buchet–Couzy from the Quaker Council for European Affairs considered how the momentum around gender equality is both a risk and opportunity. Read it here.

And in July, Roberta Guerrina hosted a summer school on ‘Feminist Power Europe? Capacity building, strategies and methodologies for a feminist foreign policy’ at the University of Surrey, bringing together students, academics, civil society and practitioners for five days of discussions.

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Join the mailing list

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

The EUEve Research Network closed with a workshop at the European Parliament, in October 2018, and an exhibition at the Tate Exchange Liverpool Gallery, in November 2018. Within our work we have applied insights from political and critical geography and political psychology, and examined the affective experiences and the social and political debates that lead to ruptures, rejections and articulation of crisis/es.

We are also delighted to congratulate Paul Anderson, EUEve’s Communication Officer, who successfully defended his PhD thesis, ‘Territorial Politics in Flux: Autonomy and Secession in the UK and Spain’:

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Vacancies

- **Research Assistant** (Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, EUI, Italy). Deadline: 31 Aug
- **Doctoral Position in Political Science** (University of Bremen, Germany). Deadline: 1 Sep
- **Lecturer in Politics** (University of Surrey, UK). Deadline: 1 Sep
- **Post-doctoral fellowship with the EU3D project** (ARENA Centre for European Studies, University of Oslo, Norway). Deadline: 6 Sep
- **Teaching Fellow in International Politics** (Newcastle University, UK). Deadline: 6 Sep
- **PhD in European Studies** (ARENA Centre for European Studies, University of Oslo, Norway). Deadline: 15 Sep
- **Rector** (College of Europe, Belgium and Poland). Deadline: 30 Sep
- **Assistant Professors in International Business / Finance / Management / Marketing** (ESSCA School of Management, Shanghai). Deadline: Rolling

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

Funding
• UACES Small Event Grants (deadline: 13 September 2019)
• UACES Scholarships (deadline: 11 October 2019)
• UACES Research Network Funding (deadline: 25 October 2019)

News from the NORTIA Network

UACES is a member of NORTIA: the Network on Research and Teaching in EU Foreign Affairs - an Erasmus+ network, encompassing ten institutions.

Meet the members and get involved

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

Essay prize for Masters students researching European foreign policy, European external relations or the EU’s role in the world. Learn more

Congratulations to the NORTIA Scholars 2019

Following a very competitive application process, we are pleased to announce the recipients of this year’s NORTIA bursaries, designed to allow PhD students and early-career scholars to undertake research residencies at a NORTIA partner institution.

Irene Morlino (London School of Economics) will be visiting IBEI, Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals for her research on EU-UN relations; effectiveness of EU humanitarian aid policy.

Sharon Lecocq (KU Leuven) will be visiting IBEI, Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals, for her research on international norm contestation in the EU’s Southern Neighbourhood.

Diana Potjomkina (United Nations University – CRIS, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Ghent University) will be visiting ARENA Centre for European Studies, University of Oslo, for her
research on multistakeholderism in the EU’s external trade policy.

Claudia Rives (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona) will be visiting KU Leuven for her research on EU foreign policy and EU-China relations.

Anke Schwarzkopf (University of Oslo) will be visiting KU Leuven for her research on the EU’s role as a negotiator actor in multilateral negotiations.

Isabell Burmester (University of Geneva) will be visiting the University of Maastricht for her research on EU and Russian hegemony in the Eastern Partnership countries.

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Data gathering and Interviewing for EU foreign policy research: Do’s and Don’ts

On 28 May 2019 NORTIA organised a masterclass on ‘Challenges in EU (foreign) policy research: data gathering and interviews’ at the Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford. In this piece, Marianna Lovato (University of Oxford / University College Dublin) reflects on the main take-aways from the masterclass and synthesizes the main Do’s and Don’ts that were discussed. Read now

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UACES Graduate Forum

Join us at UACES 2019 in Lisbon for the Monday evening Graduate Forum drinks and our ‘Meet and Greet: Speed-Mentoring’ session.
What for the Next European Century?
UACES GF Conference 2019

In July, nearly 50 PhD and early-career researchers gathered at Manchester Metropolitan University for our annual two-day Graduate Forum (GF) research conference. Coming from a range of countries, institutions and disciplines in European Studies, the delegates discussed the theme of a recent JCER issue: "What for the Next European Century?"

The conference featured 45 research presentations, giving delegates the chance to present and receive feedback on their work in a friendly environment. We were also treated to a keynote lecture by UACES Chair Nicholas Startin on the consequences of the 2019 EP Elections for the EU, and a roundtable on Europe in times of rising populism with Simon Usherwood (University of Surrey), Simona Guerra (University of Leicester), Andrea L.P. Pirro (Scuola Normale Superiore) and Anne Schulz (Reuters Institute, University of Oxford).

It was fantastic to welcome both familiar and new faces to the UACES community. Thank you to the EU Erasmus+ programme for financially supporting the event.

See more from the conference: Twitter story | Podcasts | Programme

The 2020 Graduate Forum will take place in Berlin on 2-3 July. Save the dates and look out for information via our EuroResearch email list.

Download a FREE e-book kindly produced by Routledge on the GF 2019 roundtable theme of "Europe in Times of Rising Populism". The e-book is a compilation of the following chapters:
2. Corbynism, populism and the re-shaping of left politics in contemporary Britain by Bice Maiguashca & Jonathan Dean, From: *The Populist Radical Left in Europe*, Edited by Giorgos Katsambekis, Alexandros Kioupkiolis
4. From Anti-Europeanism to Welfare Nationalism: Populist Strategies on the Web by Ildiko Otova and Heini Puurunen, From: *Populism and the Web*, Edited by Mojca Pajnik, Birgit Sauer
5. Media Populism in Post-democracy: the Crossroads of Right and Left Political Parties by Birgit Sauer, Mojca Pajnik, Susi Meret, From: *Populism and the Web*, Edited by Mojca Pajnik, Birgit Sauer

**Download the e-book**

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**Resources**

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**New UACES Podcasts**

- Migration and Europe’s Challenges
- Higher Education in Europe — Regions and Policies
- How Erasmus Student Mobility Affects Citizenship & Identity in the EU

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**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.

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**How to Organise an Academic Conference**

Heidi Maurer (LSE) shares her top survival tips for organising your first academic event. Conference can be rewarding and exhausting in equal measure. Heidi
Maurer shares her top survival tips for organising your first academic event.

“What Has the UK Ever Done for the EU?”

A new podcast series by UACES Patron Paul Adamson.

Episode 1 (Interview with Anand Menon)
Episode 2 (Interview with Frans van Daele)