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# UACES ANNUAL REPORT

# 2018

*A report for the financial year running 1 October 2016 to 30 September 2017* 

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# MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

After six years as UACES Chair I am stepping down at this Bath conference and making way for a new phase in the life of the Association.

UACES begins its sixth decade in stable financial shape, having in 2017 finally eliminated its pensions liability, and the legal complications associated with that challenge. We perhaps do a little less in terms of regular events and activities than in 2012. We have focused our resources on strengthening the Association as a multimedia, UK-based hub from where our members can build their international networks and careers, and disseminate their ideas. We have returned into schools to involve young people as participants in simulated EU decision-making games, and more broadly we are developing our support to members in their roles as teachers and educators. We have actively sought to collaborate with sister subject associations in the UK and beyond to deliver our aims, and have re-engaged with the global umbrella group of European Studies associations, ECSA-World, under new leadership since 2017. We have recently found a role as dissemination partner in now two EU-funded research networks (ANTERO <a href="https://www.uaces.org/funding/antero/">https://www.uaces.org/funding/antero/</a> and NORTIA <a href="https://www.uaces.org/funding/nortia/">https://www.uaces.org/funding/nortia/</a>).

We were unsuccessful in our most recent bid for EU Jean Monnet project funding and our Engagement working group has for some time focused on ways to diversify and strengthen our income streams. UACES already advocates for the academic study of Europe (most recently through its supporting role in the nominations process for the UK's REF2021 panels), and there is surely a continued job for UACES in steering the academic field of European studies as the dust (perhaps) settles on the new UK-EU27 relationship. UACES has many levers: its members, its journals, its digital platforms, its stable governance, its reputation with its members, its longevity.

Chairing UACES has been a real privilege. I have always felt that I was part of a team that pulled together even in the most trying of circumstances. That group extended beyond the staff, officers and committee to the membership itself, and to the individuals and organisations that UACES has partnered with over the last six years. Setting and targeting strategic goals turned out to be far less fraught at UACES than can be the case in high-pressure university settings where agendas and values are invariably so much more diverse. My personal experience of UACES has been as a haven from some of the tougher challenges of life and career, and as a huge opportunity to develop my professional skills. Beyond all that I have forged wonderful friendships and count myself very fortunate to have held the chair as long as I did. I would like to thank everyone at UACES who created such a supportive environment, and I wish you all the very best. I wish my successor Nick Startin the best of luck, and know that UACES – and he - are in safe hands.

Helen Drake, Loughborough University London

12 August 2018

## MEMBERSHIP

### Membership

Membership of UACES decreased to 1031 members as of 30/9/17 (a decrease of 10% from the previous year). This comprised 721 Individual members, 253 Student members and 57 Group members.

Our members are distributed across 51 countries; 33 European countries and 18 countries beyond Europe's borders.

The table below shows from where UACES membership is sourced:

COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE	AS OF 30/9/17	AS OF 30/9/16	AS OF 30/9/15	AS OF 30/9/14
UK	52.5%	46.5%	43.4%	45.2%
Belgium	5.8%	6.8%	6.3%	7.0%
Germany	5.2%	7.0%	7.3%	7.5%
The Netherlands	3.7%	4.8%	4.5%	4.5%
Poland	3.1%	2.3%	2.4%	2.0%
Italy	2.3%	3.0%	3.5%	2.3%
Spain	2.0%	2.4%	2.9%	0.9%
France	1.7%	1.6%	2.0%	2.4%
Ireland	1.6%	1.7%	2.3%	2.8%
Turkey	1.5%	1.7%	2.1%	1.6%
<b>Rest of Europe</b>	14.0%	16.8%	17.0%	16.9%
<b>Rest of World</b>	6.6%	4.7%	6.3%	6.9%

#### BENEFITS

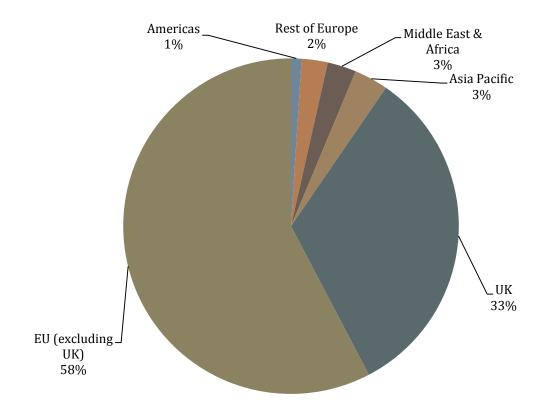
In 2017 members benefited directly from discounts for UACES events, grants to support one-off events and research networks, fieldwork scholarships for PhD students, access to our ever-popular email list and newsletter, fully-funded conferences for postgraduate students, and indirectly through the growth of our in-house, open-access journal *JCER* and our journal co-published with Wiley, *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies.* 

A full list of members' benefits is available to view at <u>www.uaces.org/benefits</u>.

### Annual Conferences

### **KRAKOW 2017**

The 2017 Annual Conference took place at Jagiellonian University, Krakow (www.uaces.org/krakow). It was attended by 397 delegates from 38 different countries with the biggest contingents being from the UK (33%), Poland (13%), Belgium (10%), The Netherlands (6%) and Germany (5%). These figures are based on the institutions that the delegates represented not nationality. The plenary sessions covered Academic Activism, Europe and its periphery and the European Project.



#### Origin of delegates that attended Krakow 2017

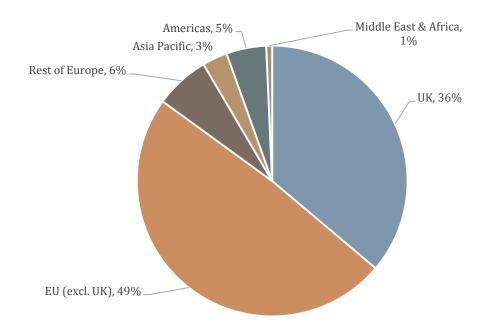
# **EVENTS**

### Annual Conferences

#### BATH

In total we received over 550 paper proposals as well as 11 proposals for non-traditional panels. These were spread across 51 different countries.

#### Origin of paper proposals received for Bath 2018



#### **2019 ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

The 2018 Annual Conference will be hosted by the School of Law at the University of Lisbon (www.uaces.org/lisbon). The online call for papers and panels will open in October 2018 with the submission deadline for proposals being 20 January 2019.

# **EVENTS**

### Events in 2016-2017

### EUROPE IN THE ARCHIVES/EUROPE IN THE FUTURE

These events are being funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of its Jean Monnet project funding:

Student Forum Seminars, Swedenborg House, London, 18 November 2016 Looking Backwards to go Forwards: Europe at a Crossroads, Newcastle University, 3-4 July 2017

### OTHER EVENTS

EU Simulations on Freedom of Movement after Brexit, De Lisle College (Loughborough), 21 June 2017 and Loughborough College, 22 June 2017 Teaching European Studies Workshop, Krakow, 3 September 2017 UACES 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Krakow, 4-6 September 2017, <u>www.uaces.org/krakow</u>.

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Europe in the Archives/Europe in the Future, European University Institute (Florence), 12-13 October 2017

### UACES AS A HUB IN POST-BREXIT EUROPE

These events are being funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of its Jean Monnet Support to Associations funding:

Doctoral Training Academy: Career Development, Manchester Metropolitan University, 4 November 2017 An Actor on Multiple Stages: the EU as a Local, Regional and Global Power (Graduate Forum Research Conference) KU Leuven, 12-13 July 2018

# **EVENTS**

#### **OTHER EVENTS**

EU Simulations on Freedom of Movement after Brexit, Ellowes Hall Sports College (Dudley), 8 November 2017

UACES Birthday Celebration, British Academy, 8 December 2017, <u>www.uaces.org/fifty</u>.

Teaching European Studies Workshop, Bath, 2 September 2018

UACES 48th Annual Conference, Bath, 3-5 September 2018, www.uaces.org/bath.

### Scholarships

### 2016-2017

In 2016-17, UACES was pleased to be able to offer 8 scholarships thanks to generous support from the James Madison Charitable Trust (JMCT). The objectives of the Trust are to support and promote studies of federal government whether within or among states, including studies of processes that may lead towards the establishment of such government, and to support or promote education and dissemination of knowledge of these subjects. 4 of the scholarships offered in 2016-17 reflected these objectives.

#### **UACES Scholarships**

Louise Bengtsson (Stockholm University): Securitizing European public health - the changing practices of "health security" in the EU

Dimitra Panagiotatou (Queen Mary University of London): Investigating the correlation between the practice of EU Cohesion Policy and Euroscepticism: An exploratory qualitative analysis of selected EU regions

Friedrich Plank (Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz): The Effectiveness of Interregional Security Cooperation within the Framework of the African Peace Facility

Jiangtian Xu (University of East Anglia): Can EU Become New Hegemon of International Civil Aviation Politics?

#### **UACES/JMCT Scholarships**

Paul Anderson (Canterbury Christ Church University): The Limits of Territorial Autonomy: Secession in Liberal Democratic States

Dimitrios Argyroulis (University of Sheffield): ECOFIN and the Post-crisis Institutionalisation of European Economic Governance: A Sociological Institutionalist Approach

Mechthild Herzog (University of Luxembourg): The European Parliament's role in Community social policy, 1952-1979

Judith Sijstermans (University of Edinburgh): Evaluating the Consequences of Transnational Party Collaboration on European Stateless Nationalist and Regionalist Parties

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

#### 2017-2018

In 2017-18 UACES funded 6 scholarships, 4 funded by UACES and 2 funded with generous support from the James Madison Charitable Trust.

#### **UACES Scholarships**

- Martina Fuerruter (University of St. Gallen): EU Sanctioning Policies
- Kira Gartzou Katsouyanni (London School of Economics): Acting in Synergy or in Isolation? Drivers for the emergence of interfirm cooperation in Greece and Southern Italy
- Olena Lyubchenko (York University): Gender Order in Transition?: Social Reproduction in Post-Soviet Russia
- Ingmar Versolmann (University of Edinburgh): European Energy Policy

#### **UACES/JMCT Scholarships**

- Bruno Theodoro Luciano (University of Birmingham): Representation and Integration: The logic of regional parliaments around the world
- Patrick Utz (University of Edinburgh) : Kin-minority parties in a (dis)integrating Europe: Crossborder cooperation and irredentism in the European Union

Next application deadline: 12 October 2018 (1 deadline each year)

Funding available: 1500 GBP per person.

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### **Collaborative Research Networks**

CRNs are designed to encourage networking. The selection criteria for this funding stream is published on the UACES website (<u>www.uaces.org/networks</u>).

#### NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEARS

Europe's Return to United Nations Peacekeeping (2014-2017) Fringe Politics in Southeast Europe (2014-2017) Financial Accountability in the European Union (2015-2018) European Energy Policy (2015-2018) Europe and the Everyday: Grassroots, the EU and the Politics of Crisis (2016-2019) Europe as International Mediator (2016-2019)

#### NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN 2016-2017

Differentiated Integration in the European Union after 'Brexit' (2017-2020) INTERSECT: Technology-Security-Society interplays in Europe (2017-2020)

### NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN 2017-2018

Gendering European Studies (2018-2021) Effective Enforcement of EU Law & Policy (2018-2021)

Next application deadline: 26 October 2018 (1 deadline each year)

Funding available: up to 6000 GBP over 3 years per network

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### Small Event Grants

### EVENTS FUNDED IN 2016-2017

Puzzling Europe. Literary, Political and Linguistic Perspectives on a Fragmented Continent, Groningen, The Netherlands, 26-28 October 2016
Soviet and Post-Soviet Imaginings of Climate, London, UK, 29-30 March 2017
Scotland and Brexit: Differentiation, Devolution and Independence, Edinburgh, UK, 25 May 2017
The European Parliament in the 'new intergovernmental' Union: institutionally empowered, policy side-lined?, London, UK, 26 May 2017
Brexit in a Changing Geopolitical Context, Liverpool, UK, 29-30 June 2017
The surveillance triangle: authorities, data subjects and means, Brussels, Belgium, 25 September 2017

### EVENTS FUNDED IN 2017-2018

Europe after Brexit: New Opportunities for Democratic Politics, Lille, France, 9-10 November 2017 Civil Society in Ukraine: Building on the Euromaidan Legacy and Dealing with Conflict, Kiev, Ukraine, 21 November 2017

The 'De-Europeanisation' of Border Conflicts: The Brexit Effect on the UK Territorial Borders, London, UK, 17 December 2017

The Europeanisation of the Northern Ireland Peace Process and Cross Border Cooperation on the Island of Ireland, Galway, Ireland, 27 April 2018

Governance beyond the Anthropocene: Ecological Issues in European Political Practice and Thought, Hatfield, UK, 1 June 2018

External Perceptions of the EU after Brexit and their Impact on Foreign Policy, Mainz, Germany, 28-29 June 2018

Next application deadline: 14 September 2018 (3 deadlines each year)

Funding available: 1000 GBP per event, www.uaces.org/small

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

### Prizes and Awards

### BEST BOOK AND BEST PHD THESIS

Since 2005, UACES has awarded each year, a prize for the Best Book and Best PhD thesis in the area of contemporary European Studies. The awards are traditionally presented at the Annual Conference.

The 2017 winners were:

Michael Tatham, With, Without, or Against the State? How European regions play the Brussels game (Oxford University Press, 2016) Lisanne Groen, The Importance of Fitting Activities to Context: The EU in Multilateral Climate and

Biodiversity Negotiations (2016)

#### LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

In 2017, the award was presented to Jo Shaw, University of Edinburgh.

In 2018, the award will be presented to Drew Scott, University of Edinburgh.

#### JCMS PRIZE

A prize is awarded for the best article of each volume.

The winner of the 2016 prize is:

Caroline McEvoy

'The Role of Political Efficacy on Public Opinion in the European Union' 54 (5): 1159-1174

The JCMS Editors wish to thank the JCMS Prize Jury: Natalia Chaban (University of Canterbury), Maria Garcia (University of Bath), Joachim Koops (Vrije Universiteit Brussel) and Arne Niemann (Mainz University).

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

### JCER PRIZE

In 2016-17 UACES launched a new prize: the Luke Foster JCER Prize for Best Article by an Early-Career Researcher. The prize was generously supported by the James Madison Charitable Trust and was awarded in memory of our late Executive Director, Luke Foster.

The winner of the 2018 Luke Foster Prize for Best Article is:

Astrid Pepermans

'The Sino-European Solar Panel Dispute: China's Successful Carrot and Stick Approach Towards Europe', 13 (4): 1394-1411

The runners-up are:

Mechthild Roos

'Far Beyond the Treaties' Clauses: The European Parliaments' Gain in Power, 1952-1979', 13 (2): 1055-1075

and

Tom Theuns & Maurits de Jongh

'Democratic Legitimacy, Desirability and Deficit in EU Governance', 13 (3): 1283-1300

### Journal of Common Market Studies

### IN 2017

Editors: Michelle Cini and Amy Verdun (until July 2017), Toni Haastrup and Richard Whitman (after July 2017)

Book Reviews Editors: Ruby Gropas and Gaby Umbach

Annual Review Editors: Nathaniel Copsey and Tim Haughton (until September 2017), Theofanis Exadaktylos, Roberta Guerrina and Emanuele Massetti (after September 2017)

ISSN: 0021-9886 (print), 1468-5965 (online)

Volume 55 was published, comprising:

Issue 1: Special Issue guest edited by Mai'a K. Davis Cross and Ireneusz Pawel Karolewski.

Issues 2-6: General Issues

The JCMS Annual Review of the European Union in 2016 (978-1119-405856)

Excluding the Annual Review, 143 submissions were published: 85 articles and 58 book reviews. The Annual Review published 13 submissions plus an editorial and a chronology.

### LECTURES

The JCMS Lecture, *Europe's Triple Crisis*, was delivered by James Caporaso in Miami on 5 May 2017.

The JCMS Annual Review Lecture, *In the Name of Europe*, was delivered by Helen Wallace in Athens on 27 April 2017.

### DOWNLOADS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

There were over 400K full text downloads of JCMS articles in 2017 (an increase from 342K in 2016). Of these, 28% were downloaded from servers in the UK, 24% in Italy, 14% in the Netherlands and 10% in Sweden.

The top 5 downloaded articles in 2017 were: CHECK

*Normative Power Europe: A Contradiction in Terms?* Ian Manners, 40:2 (7157 downloads, also 1st in 2014, 2015 & 2016)

*Reassessing Legitimacy in the European Union* Andrew Moravcsik, 40:4 (6006 - was 3rd in 2014, 2015 & 2016)

*Why There is a Democratic Deficit in the EU* Andrea Follesdal and Simon Hix, 44:3 (5479 – was 2nd in 2014 2015 & 2016)

*The European Union and the Securitization of Migration*, Jef Huysmans, 38:5 (4662 - also 4th in 2014, 2015 & 2016)

*The New Intergovernmentalism* Christopher J. Bickerton, 53:4 (3796 – also 5<sup>th</sup> in 2016)

There were 5126 institutions with paid licensed access either via a traditional (title by title) subscription or a Wiley Licence\*, including 1787 buying into the new licensing option with access via a new model and 7669 in developing countries with access to the JCMS at low or no cost via philanthropic initiatives.

For individual subscribers, Wiley continues to offer UACES members the cheapest subscription rates for the JCMS.

\* i.e. Institutions buying collections of journals from Wiley under license

### Journal of Contemporary European Research (JCER)

The JCER is an open-access online-only Journal available at <u>www.jcer.net</u>.

Editor-in-Chief: Maxine David

Editors: Christopher Huggins, Kenneth McDonagh and Anthony Salamone

Teaching & Learning Editors: Karen Heard-Laureote

ISSN: 1815-347X (online)

Volume 13 was published, comprising:

Issue 1: General Issue

Issue 2: Special Issue on *The concept of 'activism' to the study of EU supranational institutions and their role in EU policy making and European integration* guest edited by David Howarth and Mechthild Roos

Issue 3: General Issue

Issue 4: General Issue (with special section on the UACES's 50th Anniversary)

The top downloaded article (to date) for each issue was:

Marco Cellini, 'Filling the Gap of the Dublin System: A Soft Cosmopolitan Approach' 13:1 (944-962) David Howarth, 'Pushing the Boundaries. New Research on the Activism of EU Supranational Institutions' 13:2 (1007 -1024)

Thom Theuns and Maurits De Jongh, 'Democratic Legitimacy, Desirability and Deficit in EU Governance' 13:3 (1283-1300)

Cecilia Emma Sottilotta, 'The Strategic Use of Government-Sponsored Referendums in Contemporary Europe: Issues and Implications' 13:4 (1361-1376)

### Routledge-UACES Contemporary European Studies series

The book series was established in 2006. Since then, 28 titles have been published, with many subsequently released as paperbacks. Routledge continues to make the books available to UACES members at a reduced price.

The series editors are Chad Damro and Elaine Fahey and David Howarth.

In 2017 there were 4 new books published in the series

- Birol A. Yeşilada, Jacek Kugler, Gaspare Genna, Osman Göktuğ Tanrıkulu, Global Power Transition and the Future of the European Union
- Johann Robert Basedow, The EU in the Global Investment Regime
- Daniele Archibugi, Ali Emre Benli, eds, Claiming Citizenship Rights in Europe
- Francesca Batzella, The Dynamics of EU External Energy Relations

## UACES

### Framework for Delivering Benefit

The Association is governed by a Committee which includes a Chair, a Secretary and a Treasurer. In addition to the Committee, there are working groups which undertake specific tasks. The student and early career members of the Association are represented by the UACES Graduate Forum.

#### OFFICERS

Chair: Professor Helen Drake (term ends 9/2018)

Treasurer: Dr Simon Usherwood (term ends 9/2019)

Secretary: Dr Maria Garcia (term ends 9/2020)

The Officers, through their leadership, are responsible for enabling the UACES Committee and Staff to fulfil their responsibilities in the governance and strategic direction of the Association.

The Officers also have specific responsibilities with regards to the provision of banking services and investments.

#### COMMITTEE

The Committee comprises three elected Officers, six elected Committee members and a number of coopted Committee members. The editors of the Journal of Common Market Studies, the editors of the Journal of Contemporary European Research and the Chair of the UACES Graduate Forum all sit on the Committee in an ex-officio capacity.

Responsibilities of the Committee include:

Membership issues (promoting contemporary European Studies, recruitment, retention, delivering benefits, supporting the activities of members)

Publications (including the JCMS, JCER, CES book series, UACES News and the UACES Blog)

Encouraging and developing the next generation (including the evaluation and selection of UACES Scholarships)

Delivering projects funded by grant-making bodies (e.g. the EC funded Jean Monnet grants)

A list of all the Committee members can be found at <u>www.uaces.org/people</u>.

## UACES

### Working Groups

### EVENTS WORKING GROUP

Convenor: UACES Secretary

The role of the working group is to ensure the success of the Annual Conference and other UACES events, including those organised by the Graduate Forum.

Some specific responsibilities of the working group include:

Evaluation and selection of applications for Small Event grants

Evaluation of potential venues for the Annual Conference

Selection of research papers and panels for the Annual Conference

#### ENGAGEMENT WORKING GROUP

Convenor: UACES Chair

This working group's remit is to look at collaborative activities and fundraising opportunities. It is also their role to engage with the European Studies community and the wider community outside the subject area. They are responsible for developing a media and marketing strategy and the digital initiatives of the Association.

Some specific responsibilities of the working group include:

Evaluation, selection and oversight of the UACES Collaborative Research Networks

Evaluation and selection of UACES Scholarships

Judging the Best Book and Best PhD prizes

Fundraising and finances

Collaboration with other academic associations

#### TEACHING WORKING GROUP

Convenor: UACES Treasurer

This working group looks at how UACES can support the development of Teaching and Learning in the European Studies subject area. They are responsible for the organisation of the annual Teaching and Learning workshop which precedes the UACES annual conference.

### Statement of Financial Activities 1 October 2016 – 30 September 2017

In line with Charity Commission requirements, the accounts for 2016-2017 have been independently examined.

	2016-2017	2015-2016
INCOMING RESOURCES:		
Donations and Legacies	135,441	152,815
Charitable Activities	109,829	106,929
Other trading activities	226,038	168,434
Investment Income	366	488
Total incoming resources	471,674	428,666
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED:</b>		
Raising Funds	66,432	65,988
Charitable Activities	256,700	221,008
Total Resources Expended	323,132	286,996
NET INCOMING RESOURCES	148,542	141,670
OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS & LOSSES:		
Gains from sale of investments	0	3972
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS:	148,542	145,642
Fund balances at 1 October 2016	145,642	0
FUND BALANCES AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2017	294,184	145,642

# SUMMARY ACCOUNTS

### Balance Sheet at 30 September 2017

	30 SEPTEMBER 2017	30 SEPTEMBER 2016
CURRENT ASSETS		
Debtors	190,455	175,785
Cash at bank and in hand	184,781	139,290
Total Current Assets	375,236	315,075
Current Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(81,052)	(169,433)
Net Current Assets	294,184	145,642
NET ASSETS	294,184	145,642
FUNDS		
At 1 October 2016	145,642	0
Profit for the year	148,542	145,642
At 30 September 2017	294,184	145,642
TOTAL FUNDS	294,184	145,642