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On Thursday 23 June 2016 the UK will vote in a referendum to remain in or leave the European Union. What might the vote mean for UACES and its members? The date will have come and gone before we go to press but, it is reasonable to assume that Brexit or no Brexit we can expect a surge in EU studies after the UK goes to the vote, and we know that our members will be taking leading roles in this ongoing movement.

Our forthcoming Annual Conference at Queen Mary University of London from September 5-7 2016 will be a perfectly timely forum for a post mortem. At the Annual Conference we will welcome some new faces and celebrate others. Simon Usherwood will be changing positions on the Committee from member to Treasurer, and María Luisa Sánchez Barrueco and Helena Farrand-Carrapico will be joining us as committee members. We will also be celebrating our Lifetime Achievement Award. You can read more in this newsletter about our winner. Suffice it to say here that I am delighted to announce that he is Simon Bulmer, Professor of European Politics at the University of Sheffield and former co-editor of *JCMS*. He is the recipient of the 2016 award for his unstinting contribution to the study of the EU.

Finally, please remember to join us at the AGM on Sunday 4 September in London to welcome the new Committee, say farewell to outgoing members, and kick the first post-referendum annual conference off to an excellent start.

Helen Drake, Loughborough University

Read an extended version of Helen's message on the UACES Blog

Read Helen's post-referendum message on the UACES Blog



Transforming Politics in Spain: Local, Regional and State-wide Perspectives

Anwen Elias reports on this one-day workshop which took place at the University of Liverpool on 7 June 2016.

Read report



The Return of Spheres of Influence? Continuity and Change in Geopolitics

Joanna Szostek reports on this seminar held at the University of Helsinki on 10 June 2016.

Read report

Crisis and Innovation in the European Union: Beyond Populism and Managerialism

This workshop on the 13 May 2016 brought together experts working on institutional corruption, financial regulation, internal market law and policy and free movement, migration and human rights, in order to address the material and ideational aspects of 'crises' and the effectiveness of various responses to them.

Read report



UACES Annual General Meeting
Sunday 4 September (commences at 17:00)

Francis Bancroft Building, Room 1.13
Queen Mary, University of London
London, E1 4NS

All UACES members are welcome to attend.



2016 UACES Student Forum Conference

In early May 35 postgraduate students from across Europe gathered at the University of Kent in Brussels to discuss their research in the field of European Studies.

Amanda Klekowski von Koppenfels, University of Kent in Brussels, gave the opening keynote on the very different types of migration high on the European political agenda: from refugees crossing the Mediterranean to intra-EU migration and the future of Schengen. The 2016 conference put a particular emphasis on publication and outreach. It saw the launch of the UACES SF blog: Crossroads Europe, as well as a concluding roundtable discussing how research students can contribute to broader debates and share their ideas fruitfully.

Read a Storify of the conference

Browse papers presented at the conference

View the conference website



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Events Calendar

Details of upcoming events organised by the wider European studies community.

July | August | September | October

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Catch up on the latest issue of the Journal of Contemporary European Research.

Read issue

News

News from the ANTERO Network



The ANTERO network, an eight-member teaching and research consortium on EU foreign policy, goes from strength to strength.

Academics within the network have been active in delivering special lectures, workshops and master classes at UCD, Maastricht, LSE and Tampere - with many more planned. Dedicated research sections and panels have also been organised at the forthcoming UACES and EISA conferences. Teaching and research panels/papers are also being organised for the Spring 2017 EUSA conference in Miami.

New teaching aids and supports

A series of teaching aids and supports are being developed - with the very first teaching innovation 'fiches' available on the ANTERO website.

Network event in London

A second network event is being planned for 16-18 November 2016 in London at LSE. This will include research panels on the external legitimacy of EU foreign, security and defence policies, as well as plenary sessions on third-country perceptions of EU foreign policy and dedicated sessions for graduate students.

Read an extended version of this news item which includes details of funding for conferences and travel bursaries.







JCMS Asia trip report

As part of their original bid to become editors of JCMS Michelle Cini and Amy Verdun set themselves a number of goals during their tenure. These included (amongst others) making JCMS into a truly interdisciplinary journal, increasing the economics ranking of the journal and turning the JCMS website into a unique resource for subscribers and authors. After 6 years successfully tackling these goals and piloting the journal one goal still remained: to extend the global reach of JCMS. In May 2016, after much preparation, Michelle and Amy set off to promote the JCMS in Asia based on their original proposal.

Follow Michelle and Amy's itinerary for the two week trip starting in Tokyo. Read more

Election Results

We are grateful to all those who stood for election and to everyone who voted. Newly elected and joining the UACES committee from September will be **Helena Farrand-Carrapico** and **María-Luisa Sánchez-Barrueco**. **Simon Usherwood** will become UACES Treasurer.



Simon Usherwood, Senior Lecturer at the University of Surrey, has been elected as Treasurer. Simon was a founding member of the Student Forum during his doctoral study. Since then he has been a committee member on two occasions. Through these roles and his participation in the full gamut of UACES' activities, Simon will bring an understanding of the wider context within which the Association's finances are managed.



Helena Farrand-Carrapico is a Lecturer in Politics and International Relations at Aston University. She is particularly interested in the use of simulations as an active learning method. Helena has been a member of UACES since 2006. She has recently made the transition from post-doc to lecturer and would like to use her experience to support other early career UACES members to make this step forward.

María-Luisa Sánchez-Barrueco is a Senior Lecturer in EU Law and Politics at the University of Deusto. In 2015 Maria was a co-organiser of the UACES Annual conference in Bilbao. She is keen to strengthen the geographical scope and multidisciplinary nature of UACES by attracting membership from scholars in peripheral countries, with particular attention to the legal



epistemic community. She believes that UACES should remain a core channel for sound research activities based on rigorous academic standards.



Appointments & Awards

Mai'a K. DAVIS CROSS has been appointed to Associate Professor with tenure at Northeastern University.

Andrew GLENCROSS has been awarded a grant from the ESRC *UK in a Changing Europe* Commissioning Fund to create Remain or Leave? A MOOC (massive open online course) on the UK referendum on EU membership that will offer freely-accessible lectures, readings, and quizzes.

Dimitris BOURIS has been appointed Assistant Professor of EU Security/European External Relations at the University of Amsterdam.



Call for papers opens October 2016

UACES 47th Annual Conference

Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland 4-6 September 2017

Find out more

UACES Lifetime Achievement Award in European Studies

UACES is delighted to announce that Simon Bulmer has been awarded the UACES Lifetime Achievement Award for his contribution to European Studies. The award will be presented to Simon at the Annual Conference Dinner in London on Tuesday 6 September.

We've asked some former colleagues to write a few words about Simon.





Teaching Workshop, London, 4 September 2016

This Sunday afternoon workshop, preceding the main UACES Annual Conference, will feature Academic Speed Dating (possibly a new concept to many UACES members) as well as two other sessions looking at assessing quality in teaching.

The event is free, but pre-registration is required.

Find out more

JCMS Annual Review Lecture 2016

'How much Europe', asked Tanja Börzel in the *JCMS Annual Review* lecture, 'is necessary for effective and legitimate governance in Europe amid enduring crises?'

Read Tim Haughton's report from this year's lecture which took place at Europe House in London on 12 May 2016.

New Books

From Convergence to Crisis - Alison Johnston

Environmental Policy and Politics in the European Union - *Tom Delreux and Sander Happaerts*

The EU, Strategy and Security Policy - Laura Chappell, Jocelyn Mawdsley, Petar Petrov (eds)

Shaping EU Policy from Below: EU Democracy and the Committee of the Regions - Simona Piattoni and Justus Schönlau

Correction to Issue 84: Justus Schönlau was inadvertently omitted as one of the two authors of the above publication.



UACES supports six Collaborative Research Networks. Below is a round-up of CRN news.

Europe and the Everyday

Network members Simona Guerra and Simon Bransden have responded to Brexit on the network's blog. You can read their articles at:

https://europeandtheeveryday.wordpress.com/.

The first workshop of the network takes place on 20 September 2016 at Aston University on the theme of 'Researching Europe and the Everday'.

EUFINACCO

The network held a workshop on 26-27 May in Maastricht on 'Financial Accountability in the European Union'. The network has several panels taking place at the UACES annual conference in London from 5-7 September 2016.

Find out more at: https://eufinacco.wordpress.com/.

The Fringe Politics in South Eastern Europe

The network held a workshop on 'Fringe Political Parties in Southeast and Eastern Europe' on 9-10 May 2016. Network participants will be organising panels at the UACES annual conference in London.

Find out more at: http://www.cer.qmul.ac.uk/UACES%20Network/index.html.

European Research Area

Congratulations to the convenors of this CRN who have come to the end of their funding period with UACES. They have re-established the CRN as the ECPR Standing Group on the Politics of Higher Education, Research and Innovation – we wish them every future success. Read posts from the network on their blog *Europe of Knowledge* hosted by Ideas on Europe.

Find out more at: http://ecprknowledgepolitics.com/.

European Energy Policy

This CRN is holding its next workshop in Cambridge from 8-9 December 2016 on the subject of 'EU's climate change and energy cooperation: moving towards mutual learning'. The Call for Papers is now open and closes on 31 July 2016.

Find out more about the workshop

Referendum Round-up

We've complied a round-up of writing by UACES members on the UK's vote to leave the EU. This includes pieces published before and after the referendum vote. If you would like your piece featured please email admin@uaces.org with a link to the piece and the date when it was first published.







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