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Chair's Column | Nicholas Startin

It is a pleasure to be writing my first Chair's Column. Thank you to Helen Drake, whom I recently had the [chance to interview](#), for all of her efforts in the role over the last six years.

Taking over as Chair at the [Annual Conference](#) at my home institution of the University of Bath was a real honour and I would like to thank everyone who helped make it a success. The [reception at the Roman Baths](#) will live long in the memory. I look forward to seeing many of you at [#UACES2019 in Lisbon](#) and I am delighted to confirm that our 50th Annual Conference will take place at Queens University in Belfast in 2020.

I would also like to thank Anna Wambach, the outgoing UACES Graduate Forum (GF) Chair. Under her leadership, the GF has gained real momentum. Anna has written [a reflective piece](#) about the GF and the future of European Studies.

In my pitch to become Chair, I stated that I wanted to bring equality and diversity more fully into UACES's aims and objectives. As a start, we have formalised a policy of promoting gender balance for panels at UACES conferences and sponsored events and of [not permitting all-male panels](#).

With Brexit on the horizon, UACES certainly faces challenges ahead. We are united in the belief that European Studies remains vital to our understanding of the EU, Europe and the wider world. I am proud to be Chair of UACES and represent its members. Do please email me if you have any suggestions about UACES and its future.

Nicholas Startin, University of Bath

Get Involved...

Graduate Forum Elections

Are you interested in representing the postgraduate and early-career European Studies community? Nominations close on Friday 16 November for a new Chair and a new Committee member (Communications Officer): uaces.org/gfelections

UACES Executive Committee Elections

Nominations are welcome from Individual and Early-Career Members for the UACES Executive Committee. We are looking for a new Treasurer and two new Committee members to start in 2019: uaces.org/elections

Events

Events Calendar

Browse upcoming events worldwide in European Studies. Student & Early-Career Members receive funding for eligible events.

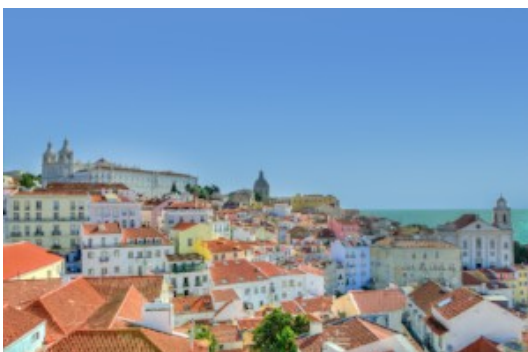
[November](#) | [December](#) | [January](#)

Event Funding

Organising an event?
Apply for a UACES Small Event Grant.

Deadline: 18 January 2019

[Learn more & apply](#)



CALL FOR PAPERS AND PANELS

UACES 2019 | Lisbon, Portugal
1-4 September 2019

Join us in Portugal's coastal capital for the 49th UACES Annual Conference.

www.uaces.org/lisbon | [#UACES2019](https://twitter.com/UACES2019)

UACES Doctoral Training Academy
24 November 2018, Aston University,
Birmingham, UK

A day of talks and workshops on publishing your research with academics & industry representatives.

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EuroTLC | 3rd European Conference on Teaching & Learning, IR and European Studies

"How we teach and learn matters – for students, for society, for us"

Silviu Piros and Heidi Maurer report on workshops, collaboration and presentations at the 3rd conference by the teaching and learning groups of ECPR, UACES, PSA and BISA hosted at the Charles University in Prague.

[Read event report](#)



The Limits of Europe | Event Report 1-2 October, Carlton House Terrace, London

EUrope is changing. This conference critically asked why and how, and investigated what epistemic and methodological advances can be made to better understand changes and challenges in EUropean identities, memories, borders, spaces and values. Event by KCL & Lazarski University. Supported by a UACES Small Event Grant

[Read event blog](#)

UACES 48th Annual Conference | #UACES2018

Thank you to everyone who contributed to, and joined us for, a successful UACES 2018, hosted by the [University of Bath Department of Politics, Languages and International Studies \(PoLIS\)](#).

Catch up with photos, recordings, papers and blogs [on the UACES website](#).



JCER | Journal of Contemporary European Research

New Open-Access JCER Issue

Read the latest European research, commentary, 'Teaching, Learning and the Profession' articles, and book reviews:

[JCER Vol 14, No 3 \(2018\)](#)

Call for JCER Reviewers

We will be running the JCER reviewer prize draw again in 2018, and the winner will have their attendance fee waived for UACES 2019 in Lisbon.

[Register as a Reviewer](#)

Call for Guest Editors: Special Issue 2020

Applications are invited for the guest editorship of a special issue of *JCER* to be published in 2020 under the general supervision of the JCER editors. Proposals should clearly relate to the work of the journal and engage with topical issues and debates.

Deadline: 15 December
[Learn more and apply](#)

JCER Book Reviews Editor

Welcome to [Kamila Feddek](#), University of Glasgow and Graduate Forum Committee member, as the new JCER Book Reviews Editor. Thank you to outgoing Book Reviews Editor Quincy Cloet for all his hard work.

Look out for calls for book reviewers on the [EuroResearch email list](#) and on [Twitter](#).



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New Books by UACES Members

Interest Representation in the European Union (4th Edition) — Justin Greenwood

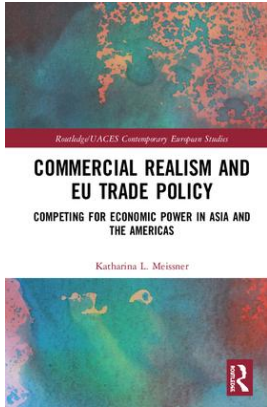
The European Union and Central and Eastern Europe: Assessing Performance — Dimitris Papadimitriou, Dorina Baltag, Neculai-Cristian Surubaru

Manifesto for the future of Europe: a shared destiny — Andrew Duff

Handbook on the EU and International Trade — Eds. Sangeeta Khorana and María García

EU-Japan Security Cooperation: Trends and Prospects — Eds. Emil Kirchner and Han Dorussen ([Book Launch: 15 Nov 2018](#))

[Browse more...](#)



Routledge/UACES Contemporary European Studies Series

- **Commercial Realism and EU Trade Policy** — Katharina Meissner
- **The Democratisation of EU International Relations Through EU Law** — Juan Santos Vara, Soledad Rodríguez Sánchez-Tabernero (eds)

UACES Members' Discount: Use the code UAC18 for 20% off online purchases (paperback) across Routledge titles.

JCMS Annual Review of the European Union in 2017

eds. T. Exadaktylos, R. Guerrina, E. Massetti

UACES Members' Discount:

- 80% off subscriptions to JCMS (includes the Annual Review). [Subscribe here](#).
- 20% off all Wiley and Polity Press books and journals. To purchase the Annual Review as a standalone book: [Complete this form](#) and return with payment to: Lucie Peplow, Marketing Manager, Wiley-Blackwell Ltd, 9600 Garsington Road, Oxford OX4 2DQ, UK



The Next Generation of European Studies

Dr Anna Wambach (outgoing Chair of the [UACES Graduate Forum](#)) reflects on how the Graduate Forum fosters collaboration, collegiality and interdisciplinarity in European Studies, and what she's gained from being on the Committee.

[Read blog post](#)

Appointments and Achievements

Heidi Maurer has been appointed Lecturer in EU Politics at the Department of Politics and International Relations at the University of Oxford.

Dimitris Papadimitriou, Kathryn Simpson and **Paul Tobin** have been appointed Series Editors of the Manchester University Press European Politics Series. They [welcome manuscript proposals](#) focusing on European politics with key areas of interest including Brexit, the environment, migration, identity politics & European integration

UACES Best Book in European Studies

Congratulations to 2018 Best Book Prizewinner **Thomas Winzen** (University of Mannheim) for his book *Constitutional Preferences and Parliamentary Reform – Explaining National Parliaments' Adaptation to European Integration* (OUP, 2017).

[Read an interview with Thomas Winzen](#)



UACES Best PhD Thesis in European Studies

The 2018 Best PhD Thesis Prize was awarded to Koen Slootmaeckers (City University London) for his thesis "*Strategic Accession' to 'Tactical Europeanisation'? The Promotion of and Resistance to LGBT Equality in Serbia's European Integration Process*". Congratulations to Koen!

[Watch an interview with Koen Slootmaeckers](#)

JCMS Best Article Prize

The JCMS Best Article Prize for 2017 was awarded at UACES 2018 for 'Democratic Deficits in Europe: The Overlooked Exclusiveness of Nation-States and the Positive Role of the European Union' (Vol 55, Issue 3) by Joachim Blatter, Samuel D. Schmid and Andrea C. Blättler. [Read a blog post about the article's findings](#)



Welcome to New UACES Group Members

Centre for European Governance, University of Exeter



Alliance Europa, University of Nantes



UACES Research Networks (RNs)



Effective Enforcement of EU Law and Policy

Bringing together academics, NGOs and policy practitioners across various substantive fields and academic disciplines to exchange ideas and expertise in the important field of effective enforcement of EU law and policy, our newly-established RN has made an auspicious start with events at three international interdisciplinary conferences over the summer of 2018.

[Read latest blog](#)

[Visit website](#)

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To **join the network**, please contact [Dr. Sara Drake](#) or [Dr. Melanie Smith](#).

Gendering EU Studies (GES)

GES brings together a rich and growing body of work in the area of gender and EU politics and policies, with the intention of mainstreaming gender and feminist approaches in EU studies. The GES RN held its first business meeting at UACES 2018, which was well attended, including by some new to gender and/or the network. The RN also had its first network dinner and plans are afoot for a similar social event for Lisbon 2019.



[Visit website](#)

[Follow @GenderEU](#)

Call for presenters – Gendering EU Studies virtual research seminar series

Are you researching gender and EU studies (broadly conceived)? Whether you are a PhD student, ECR or established scholar, if you have a paper you would benefit from feedback on from our community, then do consider putting yourself forward for our virtual research seminar series.

Each seminar will be hosted remotely via a service called Zoom, you can use slides and during the Q&A the virtual audience can ask questions via a forum. We envisage a 30 minute paper presentation, and 30 minute Q&A. If you are interested in taking part and would like your paper considered for the series, please send an abstract and title to us at gendereu@gmail.com by Friday 16th November.

European Energy Policy

After more than three years of very stimulating and productive research collaboration, the UACES funded (Collaborative) Research Network on European Energy, established in 2015, held its final formal gathering at the UACES Annual Conference in Bath in September 2018. [Learn more](#) about the UACES 2018 panels and the achievements of this network over the past three years.



Differentiated integration in the European Union after 'Brexit'

This RN, founded in 2017 by [Dr Benjamin Leruth](#), [Dr Stefan Gänzle](#) and [Prof Jarle Trondal](#) brings together scholars interested in flexible and differentiated integration in the European Union following the United Kingdom's vote to leave the European Union on 23 June 2016.

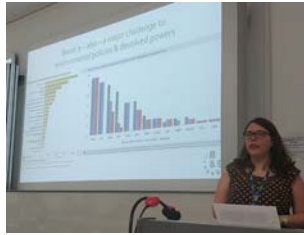
The RN organised several panels at UACES 2018 on themes such as

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

Since 2016, this RN has forged an inter-disciplinary network of scholars 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. The RN recently held two workshops, on "Grassroots Experience and Mobilisation" and "The Western Balkans and the

UK-EU relations and non-EU partner states.

Read [working paper](#)
Follow [@UACES_Brexit](#)
Visit [website](#)



Process of Democratic Stabilization: "Voices and Experiences". Watch this space for multimedia resources from the events.

Follow [@EuropeEveCRN](#)
Visit [website](#)



INTERSECT: Technology-Security-Society interplays in Europe

Since 2017, this RN has organised a number of events dedicated to advancing the knowledge on the many facets of the interplays between technology, security practices, and societal changes in Europe. It has been a forum for established and early career academics working on related issues to meet and develop research ideas while also engaging with civil society organisations, such as Airwars, Statewatch, and the European Forum on Armed Drones.

The network has also engaged with other projects that focus on related themes. These include the Nordic Centre of Excellence for Security Technologies and Societal Values (NordSTEVA) and the two ERC projects led by INTERSECT coordinators: 'FOLLOW: Following the money from transaction to trial: financial security after 9/11', led by Marieke de Goede, and 'Counting as a Human Being in the Era of Computational Law', led by Mireille Hildebrandt.

At UACES 2018, INTERSECT organised three panels on drones, cybersecurity and the transformation of security and defence in Europe. The conveners look forward to expanding our participation at the UACES annual event next year in Lisbon.

INTERSECT's main activity in 2018 was the 2nd INTERSECT Workshop at the University of Bath (6-7 November) entitled [Science and Technology Studies and the study of Europe](#).

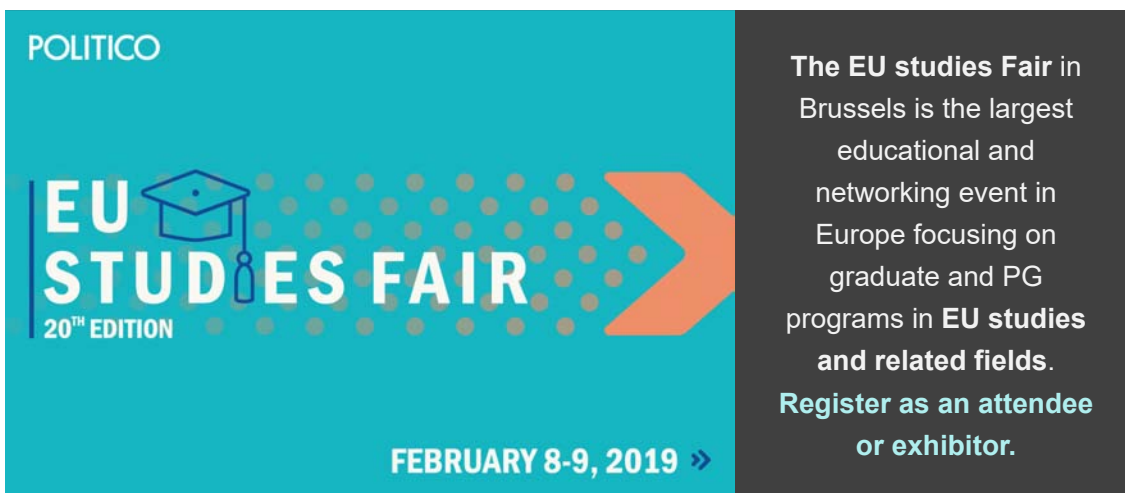
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Vacancies

- [PhD Studentships in Contemporary European studies](#) (Loughborough University London). Deadline: 17 November 2018
- [Project PhD Studentship](#) (Institute of German Studies, University of Birmingham). Deadline: 7 December 2018
- [Professor in European Politics and Policy](#) (LSE). Deadline: 6 January 2019
- [Teaching Fellow in German Politics and Society](#) (University of Bath). Deadline: 30 November 2018

Vacancies in your department?

Email admin@uaces.org to be featured on the UACES Jobs Board.



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EU STUDIES FAIR
20TH EDITION

FEBRUARY 8-9, 2019 »

The EU studies Fair in Brussels is the largest educational and networking event in Europe focusing on graduate and PG programs in **EU studies and related fields**.
Register as an attendee or exhibitor.

Funding

Call for Applications: Funded Archival Research Trip

We are delighted to offer a scholarship for a PhD student or Early-Career researcher to visit the **Historical Archives of the European Union (HAEU)** in Florence for 5-10 working days and conduct archival research (of the applicant's choice).

Application Deadline: 31 December | [Learn more](#)



Artificial Intelligence Writing Competition for Law Students

(First Prize: 2,000 USD)

Deadline: 18 December 2018 | [Learn more](#)

UACES Scholars 2018

- **Bruno Theodoro Luciano** (University of Birmingham) used his UACES/James Madison Charitable Trust (JMCT) Scholarship to visit South Africa as part of his research on the development of regional parliaments in Europe, South America & Africa. [Read more.](#)
- **Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanniis** (LSE) undertook fieldwork in Greece and Southern Italy to investigate the emergence of inter-firm cooperation in unfavourable settings. [Read more.](#)
- **Patrick Utz** (University of Edinburgh) used his UACES/JMCT Scholarship to visit South Tyrol, Italy, and the Historical Archives of the European Parliament in Luxembourg for his research on kin-minority parties in the context of European (dis)integration. [Read more.](#)
- **Ingmar Versolmann** (University of Edinburgh) spent three weeks in Brussels to conduct interviews for his research on European energy policy. [Read more.](#)
- **Olena Lyubchenko** (York University, Toronto) undertook research in St. Petersburg on women's labour force participation, childcare and family policy in post-Soviet Russia. [Read more.](#)
- **Martina Fuerrutter** (University of St. Gallen) visited Brussels to conduct interviews investigating the multidimensionality of sanctioning policies. [Read more.](#)



News from the NORTIA Network

Workshop: Perspectives
on European Foreign
Policy in the Context of

to and in Europe and the EU matters to
Russia too.

The importance of these relations and the

Current EU-Russia Relations

11 January 2019, Leiden University

REGISTER NOW

It is difficult to remember a time when it was more vital that the EU's Foreign Policy and its relationships come under detailed scrutiny. Threats to European security emanate from both within and without; old alliances look increasingly less reliable; and the EU itself is undergoing a process of disintegration, the limits of which remain unclear.

Equally, it is difficult to think of a relationship that matters more for the EU than that with Russia. This is by reason of Russia's relative proximity, its power, its seats at many significant tables, its assertive, often anti-European foreign policy discourse and behaviour. What should not be forgotten though is that Russia is itself European: what happens

consequences of neglecting them have so far been felt most forcefully by Ukraine – little wonder that in various pockets of Europe today, there are heightened perceptions of threat and vulnerability occasioned by this wider, deteriorating foreign policy relationship.

In January 2019, a group of scholars and practitioners will come together to debate ways and means for reinvigorating the EU-Russia relationship. The one-day workshop is organised by the editors of the *Handbook on EU-Russian Relations* (forthcoming 2019), [Dr Tatiana Romanova](#) (St. Petersburg State University) and [Dr Maxine David](#) (Leiden University), and the co-coordinator of the [Jean Monnet Network on Research and Teaching EU Foreign Policy \(NORTIA\)](#), [Dr Heidi Maurer](#) (University of Oxford).

The event will take place thanks to the generous funding of UACES's Small Event Grant, NORTIA and Leiden University's Institute for History.

Resources

- [UK in a Changing Europe | REPORT Cost of No Deal revisited](#)
- [UK in a Changing Europe | VIDEO Countdown to Brexit](#)
- [Eurostat \(Statistical Office of the European Union\): The life of women and men in Europe](#)
- [Eurostat \(Statistical Office of the European Union\): SDG's and me](#)

New UACES Podcasts:

- [In Conversation With Brigid Laffan, Emil Kirchner and Geoffrey Edwards](#)
- [Critical European Studies: What, Why and How?](#)

- [Expert on Europe | Interview with Simon Usherwood on euroscepticism, Brexit & life in academia](#)



New UACES Videos

- [UACES 2018: Transatlanticism in the Times of Trump and the UK's Withdrawal from the EU](#)
- [UACES 2018: The Democracy and Legitimacy Challenge and the Future of Europe](#)
- [UACES 2018 / JCMS Annual Lecture: Interview with Terri Givens](#)



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