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News/Events

The Lawyers For LGBTI + Rights Association – Lenford Network (“Rete Lenford”) has launched the second edition of the **call for awards for Best PhD Thesis, Best Degree Dissertation and Best Scientific Contribution on law-related matters concerning LGBTI+ rights**.

The awards consist in cash payment of the following amounts: “Best PhD Thesis” category: € 1.000,00; “Best Degree Dissertation” category: € 1.000,00; “Best Scientific Contribution” category: € 500,00.

The following applicants may participate in the call for submissions:

- a. Regarding the “Award for Best PhD Thesis” category, PhD graduates who obtained their PhD degree from an Italian or European Union university between October 31, 2019 and July 31, 2022.
- b. Regarding the “Award for Best Degree Dissertation” category, graduates who obtained their degree from an Italian or European Union university between October 31, 2019 and July 31, 2022.
- c. Regarding the “Award for the Best Scientific Contribution” category, those who published the submission concerned in an Italian or foreign legal journal or book between January 1, 2017 and July 31, 2022. The author must not be older than 35 years of age at the time of publication.

Application deadline: July 31, 2022

At the following link, you can find the call for awards, including details, requirements and instructions on how to participate (also attached): <https://www.retelenford.it/news/i-nostri-progetti/second-edition-of-the-lawyers-for-lgbti-rights-association-lenford-network-rete-lenford-awards/>

I'd be grateful if you could share and advertise the call for awards on the bulletin boards and/or websites of your University and spread it among your students, colleagues and administrative staff, including by forwarding this e-mail to the mailing lists you may deem relevant.

It is of paramount importance to ensure the widest visibility to the call for awards: the greater the participation, the higher will be the quality of the winning theses, dissertations and scientific contributions.

Thank you very much.

I stand ready to provide any additional information you may need.

Best regards,
Riccardo Tremolada

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Call for Post-Soviet Choices Talks

Putin's ongoing aggression against Ukraine has made us all to re-think the role of our scholarship and research in current events as well as to reflect on what topics, issues and themes have been overlooked or marginalised. Development of Russian Law program has had a hard look at our past conferences and research projects and realised that we have never paid much attention to the region as a whole. DRL would like to launch a new series of Russian Law Talks and call it Post-Soviet Legal Choices Talks, in which the focus will be on post-soviet legal developments in the former USSR republics - now independent states. The first talk will involve a discussion on Georgia, Ukraine and Moldova: the trajectories of post-Soviet legal reforms and constitutional development. We are looking for speakers who would like to join us in discussing these countries. The second talk will be on Central Asian Choices in legal development.

If you are interested or have someone in mind who could be a good speaker, do not hesitate to share this invitation, contact us and fill in this [form](#).

Stay up to date with our [blog](#) for the latest on our Talks, news, and events.

Open Positions and Applications

Call for Applications: Visiting Fellowship, University of Zurich

CEES Fellowship CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

For the fall 2022, the Center for Eastern European Studies (CEES) at the University of Zurich offers 5-6 residential fellowships to highly talented and innovative young or mid-career scholars from the field of social sciences or humanities with a research focus on historical or contemporary topics

related to Russia, Eastern Europe, the Caucasus, or Central Asia. The scholarship is for a period of up to four months starting in mid-September 2022.

While we welcome research proposals on all topics related to the study of Eastern Europe and post-Soviet Eurasia, for the fall semester 2022 fellowship program, we are particularly interested in applications from scholars with an interest in geopolitical trends, economic connectivity and/or transnational social and/or cultural issues related to the **South Caucasus** region as well as **Ukraine**.

The deadline of application is **May 31, 2022**.

About the CEES Fellowship Program

The CEES Fellowship Program is typically set up as a four-months (one semester) residential fellowship at the University of Zurich. During this period, the CEES Fellow is expected to pursue her or his independent research in residency and to participate actively in the scholarly activities of the CEES. The Fellow will have access to the relevant libraries and the interdisciplinary community of experts associated with the CEES. The Fellow will hold a lecture, seminar or workshop on his or her research topic. The Fellow is also expected to publish her or his findings in one of the CEES publication outlets.

Funding includes moderate accommodation, health insurance, visa support, and a stipend for living expenses during the period of stay of up to four months. In addition to library access, the fellow will have use of a workspace and other necessary facilities at the CEES. The CEES will help the Fellow with finding housing in the Zurich area. Please note that we can only consider applicants who are enrolled or employed at their home university (exemptions may be made for PhD students/researchers from Ukraine who have had to leave their homeland due to war).

Application

A complete application should be sent to CEES by **May 31, 2022**, consisting of the following materials:

- A letter of motivation
- A research proposal (3–5 pages)
- A curriculum vitae (including a list of publications)
- A short writing sample (article or book chapter length)
- A short proposal for a public lecture and/or workshop to be held at CEES
- Two letters of recommendation and/or names of two referees

All materials listed above should be written in English and sent in the form of a single PDF document to: cees@hist.uzh.ch

The CEES Fellowship Program is funded by the Department of History and supported by the University of Zurich.

For further information visit at: <https://www.cees.uzh.ch/de/Fellowship-Program.html>

Call for Applications: Two post-doctoral positions (24 months)

Arctic Centre at the University of Lapland is seeking candidates for two post-doctoral positions (24 months) starting on NOVEMBER 2022 (OR AS agreed) The fields of research are: 1) International Relations 2) International law

The Arctic Centre, University of Lapland is seeking to fill two 24-month full-time post-doctoral researcher positions that will advance the frontiers of knowledge of the role of non-human nature in Arctic politics and governance. Both positions are to be based at the Northern Institute for Environmental and Minority Law in Rovaniemi, Finland and require residence at Arctic Centre during the respective periods of employment.

The positions are key personnel appointments for scientific implementation of the project “A Planetary Approach to Global Arctic politics,” which is funded by the University of Lapland’s strategic funding scheme under the Global Arctic Responsibility theme.

[The Arctic Centre at the University of Lapland](#) is a national and international hub of information and centre of excellence that conducts multidisciplinary high-quality research in changes in the Arctic region. In addition to research, education forms a part of all activities of the Centre. The Arctic Centre conducts a study programme called Arctic Studies Programme that serves as an introduction to issues that are relevant in the Circumpolar North. The Arctic Centre is located in the Arktikum House, Rovaniemi, Finland.

[The Northern Institute for Environmental and Minority Law \(NIEM\)](#), established in 1985, is one of the five research groups at the Arctic Centre. NIEM specializes in environmental and minority law. Particularly, it has a special focus on researching the law relating to (Arctic) indigenous peoples, as well as environmental law as it is applied in the Arctic regions.

Project description and working tasks

To facilitate a profound green transformation of global life, “A Planetary Approach to Global Arctic politics” project develops novel conceptualisations of “planetary society” and “planetaryisation” of world politics to describe the ambitious visions and fundamental reorganisation of political practices with the objective of transforming planet Earth into a safe and peaceful place where all species can thrive. Empirically the project focuses on the Arctic region which can be viewed as a showcase of the global ecological crisis and globalisation. The project asks: What would the social and institutional organisation of Global Arctic politics look like if planetary justice was put at the front and centre of politics?

The positions will encompass diverse tasks including:

- Conduct research on Global Arctic politics and governance from a post-anthropocentric perspective
- Publishing of research results in high-quality international journals and other publishing venues
- Acquisition of supplementary external research funding (e.g., Marie Curie postdoctoral fellowship, the Academy of Finland, Kone foundation) for a project focusing on post-anthropocentric Global Arctic politics and/or governance
- Organisation of an international workshop on post-anthropocentric approaches to Global Arctic politics
- Popularisation of Arctic science

Required qualifications and merits

We seek two creative and highly motivated persons with a strong publication record either on Arctic politics and/or governance or global environmental politics and with a promising research plan on a new, innovative post-anthropocentric approach to Global Arctic politics that will result in high-level international publications and external research funding. Successful candidates should have a PhD in

International Relations, international law or a related field, and excellent oral and written communication skills in English. To be eligible for this position, the applicants should have completed their doctoral degree a maximum of five (5) years before the end of the application period, unless special circumstances exist. The applicants should be able to work both independently and in close collaboration with others.

Eligibility to apply for Marie Curie postdoctoral fellowship at the Arctic Centre in the 2023 call will be considered as a highly complementary merit, and at least one of the successful candidates should fulfil this criterion. For more information: <https://marie-sklodowska-curie-actions.ec.europa.eu/actions/postdoctoral-fellowships>

Application

- The application, written in English, should include (in one pdf file):
- Motivation letter (max. 1 page)
- Research plan (max. 3 pages)
- Curriculum vitae (max. 2 pages)
- List of publications (indicate five most important linked to the thematic area of the project)
- Copy of doctoral certificate

When making the appointment decision, special attention is paid to the quality of the research plan and to the way in which the candidate's research is linked to the other research activities of "A Planetary Approach to Global Arctic politics" project.

The Postdoctoral Researcher's salary is based on the university's salary system and is fixed at teaching and research personnel's competence level 5. In addition, the total salary includes a personal salary component amounting up to 50 % of the task-specific salary component. The positions include six-month trial period.

The deadline for application is August 15, 2022, either to the following address: Lapin yliopisto, Kirjaamo, PL 122 (Yliopistonkatu 8), 96101 Rovaniemi, Finland or in one single pdf file via our secure email system: <https://securemail.ulapland.fi>. In the secure email system mark the recipient as: rekryointi(at)ulapland.fi. Title your letter/email as "A Planetary Approach to Global Arctic politics". The application documents will not be returned to the sender. Applications for the previous call (ended 19.4.2022) will be considered when making selections.

Further information:

University Researcher Sanna Kopra
The Northern Institute for Environmental and Minority Law
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Fully-funded PhD scholarship (fees + living stipend) at Edinburgh Napier University, UK

GENDER AND SEXUAL POLITICS FROM TRANS-NATIONAL PERSPECTIVES

The aim of this PhD project will be to explore the gendered and sexual politics from the trans-national and global perspectives. Grounded in critical epistemologies and interdisciplinary approaches from e.g. sociology, human geography, anthropology, cultural studies, epistemology, art history, activism, history, etc., and drawing on your chosen cases (geographical, temporal, cultural, political, social), the project will push new understandings and knowledge(s) in the debates around contemporary intimacies, 'sexual citizenship', and mobilisations for greater gendered/ racial/ sexual social justice against rising xenophobic populisms. Your focus will be on Poland and Central-Eastern Europe as relational geographies resonating with-in/with-out/towards/away from other symbolic, material or temporal geographies.

Queer/gender/sexuality studies have been burgeoning and established themselves as important interventions across social studies and humanities, as well as science and technology studies. Recent decade has seen particular attention to epistemological myopia focused on the 'Western' geo-cultural and temporal loci, offering important interventions and questioning the status quo. We see proliferation of scholarship that not only examines the 'Other regions' but also draws on knowledge(s) and practices that are overlooked or, indeed, unrecognised within the scholarly legacies of the Enlightenment, coloniality, and cultural hegemonies of the 'West'.

Giving attention to the local, regional, national, and global scales, on which personal and communal forms of intimacies, relations, politics are lived and mobilised on a micro/meso/macro scales – the project will grapple with contemporary socio-cultural and politico-economic changes of the contemporary world(s) concerning genders and sexualities. The applicant and their initial 'Expression of Interests' will seek to address the following issues, but will not be confined by them; indeed, the supervisor counts on the creative, imaginative, and individual ideas to be crafted and honed, capturing interests and fascinations of the applicant.

Considerations around genders and sexualities in Poland, Central-Eastern Europe and elsewhere, can be given to: representations and manifold forms of power organising and impacting everyday lives; knowledge production about them; overlooked practices and strategies of living 'liveable lives' by non-conforming individuals and groups; intimacies; institutionalisation, politicisation, and coercion of genders/sexualities for national(ist) and populist projects; 'anti-gender' mobilisations; cultural translation; recuperating 'resilience' beyond abusive, neoliberal individualist paradigms; forms of queer resistance, fighting, and social activism; queer commons and communing for social justice.

Theoretically, your PhD project will nest in the broad fields of queer, gender, sexuality, trans, feminist- studies that draw on critical epistemological interventions inspired by critical post-socialist, post-colonial, decolonial, post-humanist and other geo-politically-minded debates questioning orientalist and occidentalist 'knowledge formations'. Methodologically, you will draw on feminist-inspired, reflective practices mobilising your existing experiences and previous work (be it academic, or activist, or other), from the diverse pool of qualitative and mixed-method approaches. The PhD candidate will craft their own methodological toolbox that best addresses research objectives, and creative methodological designs are encouraged.

Successful applicants will work under the supervision of Dr Roberto Kulpa (<https://www.napier.ac.uk/people/roberto-kulpa>) at the Edinburgh Napier University, UK. Based in

Edinburgh, you will become part of the exciting, intellectual community of Scotland's capital, forging inter-university links and life-long connections with other researchers.

Essential attributes:

- Interests in: Polish culture & society, and feminist, lesbian and gay activisms; emerging trans* activisms and scholarship; inter-sectorial and inter-disciplinary queer approaches to understanding social change, cultural fabric, and historical continuum of non-normative formations.
- Competent in suitable research methodologies and critical epistemologies to develop and complete an individual PhD-level research programme.
- Willingness to engage with academic theories, intellectual perspectives, other forms of knowledges and epistemologies that question and thus ameliorate, the dominant scholarly 'canons' of social sciences and humanities.
- Good written and oral communication skills in both: English and Polish languages.
- Shared values of intersectional queer feminisms, non-occidental drive towards social justice and meaningful, liveable lives for all.
- Strong motivation, with evidence of independent research skills relevant to the project, incl. ability for systematic, independent work and effective time management.

This is three years long, fully funded (UK/EU/International fees and living stipend), full-time scholarship and unfortunately due to funding conditions we are not able to accept part-time applications.

DEADLINE is 26 June 2022, midnight.

Please quote the application reference **SAS0174** on your form.

INTERVIEWS are expected to take place in early July.

FULL ADVERT AND MORE DETAILS HERE: <https://www.findaphd.com/phds/project/gender-and-sexual-politics-from-trans-national-perspectives/?p144988>

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Completed online application form on the Edinburgh Napier University website <https://www.napier.ac.uk/research-and-innovation/research-degrees/fees-forms-and-funding>
- CV
- 2 academic references, using the Postgraduate Educational Reference Form (Found on the application process page)

- An **Expression of Interest** that should consist of the following:
 - o Research idea/focus/objectives that you would like to pursue (max. 450 words).
 - o Rationale for such defined research scope (max 450 words).
 - o Theoretical and methodological approaches with which you might/ would like to engage (max. 450 words).
 - o Self-reflexive account of why you want to pursue doctorate, and how the supervisor (Dr Kulpa) can help you (max. 450 words).

Please note: EoI is not a full PhD research proposal, and there are no expectations of having one at this stage. EoI serves as a selection tool to invite chosen candidates for the interviews. You will write a full proposal at later stages, if offered a scholarship.

ALL ENQUIRERS:

Please write to Dr Roberto Kulpa at r.kulpa@napier.ac.uk