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News/Events:

Aleksanteri Conference 2023 Pre-announcement

Next year's topic of the Aleksanteri Conference is Decolonizing Space in the Global East: Legal Choices, Political Transformations, Carceral Practices. The idea behind the theme is to focus on the role of law and the criminal justice system in achieving social order, and the political, environmental, and cultural goals in the former communist countries of East Central Europe, the Balkans and the former USSR. Our usual Development of Russian Law conference is merged with Aleksanteri Conference in 2023, but for this year only.

The conference has a special Law stream as well as several interdisciplinary themes related to legal research. We encourage everyone to submit their proposals when the call will be released in January 2023.

Democracy, Illiberalism, and the Contentious Politics of Gender Seminar Live and Online: November 28, 2022

Democracy, Illiberalism, and the Contentious Politics of Gender

Gender politics have been central to both illiberal movements and democratic resurgences. How have they played out in recent elections worldwide? How are the contentious politics of gender linked?

Panelists:

- Åsa Regnér - Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations and Deputy Executive
- Director of UN Women
- Flávia Biroli - Professor of Political Science at the Institute of Political Science of the University of Brasília
- Florence Haegal - Professor of Political Science at Sciences Po
- Jeri Powell - Adjunct Associate Professor of International and Public Affairs; Founder of nonprofit Take Office.
- Marianna Muravyeva - Law Professor at University of Helsinki

Moderated by Yasmine Ergas, Director of Gender and Public Policy Specialization

at Sciences Po

Date: Monday, November 28, 2022

Time: 6-7:30pm

Location: IAB 1512

Snacks and light refreshments will be provided **w Professor at University of Helsinki**

Register for your in-person spot here!

https://sipa.campusgroups.com/event_details?uid=e38a56cdb74f97a0c347a625d4c523c9

Register for your online spot here:

https://columbiauniversity.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_J71Cl6x3T5ypzOI7Im1xVg

Online Book Launch for Jane Henderson's Book Constitution of the Russian Federation: a Contextual Analysis: December 6, 2022

We invite you to join the online book launch for Jane Henderson's Constitution of the Russian Federation: a Contextual Analysis, is taking place on 6 December at 16:00-17:30 GMT.

The link to join is available via this Eventbrite page: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-russian-constitution-a-contextual-analysis-tickets-468507327027>

The discussants are Dr Ben Noble of the School of Slavonic Studies, and Dr Lana Haworth of The Dickson Poon School of Law, King's College London.

Attendees will be offered a discount code on the book.

Open Positions and Applications:

Call for Applications: AIAS-SHAPE Fellowships Deadline 01 February 2023

Aarhus University's [Research Centre for Shaping Digital Citizenship \(SHAPE\)](#) and [Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies \(AIAS\)](#) are pleased to announce five theme-based fellowships of a duration of ten months from September 2023 to June 2024.

Our societies and individual lives are increasingly and rapidly shaped by data and algorithms. SHAPE is a research centre which aims to promote democracy and active citizenship in a world which is characterised by data and algorithms. The goal is to generate knowledge at a high international level as well as contributing to the public debate, business communities and civil society.

The theme of this call is **'Democracy and Digital Citizenship'**. **Fellows will investigate the relationship between data/algorithms and democracy/citizenship, and thereby contribute to SHAPE's collective task of developing insights into digital citizenship.**

Suggested projects can draw on theories and methods from all academic fields in investigating topics in which data and democracy are at stake.

Why apply for an AIAS-SHAPE Fellowship

Interdisciplinary research collaboration and innovative ideas are prerequisite for tackling joint societal challenges. Strengthening global cooperation among relevant research communities will have a significant impact on tackling the direct and indirect human consequences of technological development and increased digitalization.

The [SHAPE](#) theme-based fellowships seek to enhance interdisciplinary and global collaboration by engaging an interdisciplinary and international group of excellent researchers in theme-based research projects within the scope of SHAPE.

The research fellows will be based at AIAS with office space and facilities for interaction, in small, medium and large groups. AIAS provides a unique interdisciplinary setting, which offers researchers the opportunity to engage in interdisciplinary research, to broaden their research profile and to collaborate with an inspiring international and multidisciplinary community at AIAS, the interdisciplinary research environment of SHAPE and Aarhus University as a whole. Applicants for a fellowship should bring intellectual curiosity and readiness to engage in discussions beyond any disciplinary boundaries.

Who can apply

The call is open for researchers of any nationality and from all academic disciplines with **research profiles within the thematic scope of the call**. The target group of the programme is talented researchers at all career stages with minimum a PhD at the time of application deadline.

AIAS and Aarhus University strive to create not only a multidisciplinary, but also an inclusive academic environment, and applicants are welcome regardless of race, religion, nationality, sex, gender, age and disability.

Applicants apply individually, but the five selected candidates are expected to also work together as a group during the course of the fellowship. Furthermore, relevant researchers from SHAPE will be affiliated with the selected group of fellows.

The fellowship includes

All fellows are offered a salary based on seniority (employment conditions and wages are regulated through the Danish collective union agreements), relocation assistance and relocation costs such as transportation and visa permits, if applicable. Fellows will have an office space, the opportunity to participate in the infrastructure of AIAS, in academic training activities, and in conferences and workshops at AIAS and at the relevant research environments at Aarhus University.

How to apply - the application process

Applications must be submitted online via: [GrantOne](#) by 1 February 2023 at 12.00 (noon) CET.

In the [‘Guide for Applicants,’](#) you can read more about the detailed application requirements, how to use the online application system and the selection process and the selection criteria.

After the application deadline, applications will be subject to an eligibility screening. A review and selection panel, consisting of research members from SHAPE and the AIAS management, will evaluate each eligible proposal and make the final selection.

Timeline of the application process

- Opening of call: November 2022.
- **Deadline for applications: 1 February 2023 at 12.00 (noon) CET.**
- Evaluation and selection period: February-April 2023.
- Applicants will receive answers: April 2023.
- Fellowships begin: 1 September 2023.

For more information about the process, guidelines or the application system, please contact Programme Manager Helle Villekold at helle@aias.au.dk.

About SHAPE

SHAPE – Shaping Digital Citizenship is a research centre which aims to promote democracy and active citizenship in a world characterised by data and algorithms. The goal is to generate knowledge at a high international level as well as contributing to the public debate, the business community and civil society.

SHAPE is a knowledge-seeking, open centre at which a cross-disciplinary approach is regarded as a necessity; and where collaboration with politicians, decision-makers, organisations and other stakeholders is given high priority. SHAPE wishes to contribute to the development of the digital democratic society of the future: locally, nationally and internationally.

For further knowledge about SHAPE, please refer to: <https://shape.au.dk>

About AIAS

As an 'Institute for Advanced Study,' AIAS brings researchers together across disciplines, seniority and nationality. AIAS offers fellowships for excellent researchers from all core academic disciplines to pursue cutting-edge research projects for the benefit of society and humankind in optimal research conditions.

The daily encounter with the diverse research disciplines at AIAS provides fellows with fresh and different insights and perspectives on their own research, leading to new and unexpected research questions and ideas.

Call for Applications: AIAS-PIREAU Fellowships Deadline 01 February 2023

Aarhus University's [Platform for Inequality Research \(PIREAU\)](#) and [Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies \(AIAS\)](#) are pleased to announce five theme-based fellowships of a duration of ten months from September 2023 to June 2024.

Inequalities in health are one of the greatest social challenges of our time. Global health inequities are dramatic both between and within countries. Even in affluent European nations, with free access to many health services, there are surprisingly large differences in health status and life expectancy. Moreover, health inequities are generally increasing. As a result, the UN highlights the fight against inequities and the promotion of health and well-being for all as two key global goals.

The theme of this call for fellowships is '**Inequality in Health,**' and the purpose of the theme-based fellowships relates to understanding the causes of health inequalities.

Why apply for an AIAS-PIREAU Fellowship

Interdisciplinary research collaboration and innovative ideas are prerequisite for tackling joint societal challenges. Strengthening global cooperation among relevant research communities will have a significant impact on mitigation of the negative consequences of the many dimensions of inequality in our societies.

The AIAS-PIREAU theme-based fellowships seek to enhance interdisciplinary and global collaboration by engaging an interdisciplinary and international group of excellent researchers in theme-based research projects within the scope of [PIREAU - Platform for Inequality Research at Aarhus University](#).

The research fellows will be based at AIAS with office space and facilities for interaction, in small, medium and large groups. AIAS provides a unique interdisciplinary setting, which offers the researchers the opportunity to engage in interdisciplinary research, to broaden their research profile and to collaborate with an inspiring international and multidisciplinary community at AIAS, the interdisciplinary research environment of PIREAU and with Aarhus University as a whole.

Who can apply

The call is open for researchers of any nationality and from all disciplines **with research profiles within the thematic scope of the call**. The target group of the programme is talented researchers at all career stages with minimum a PhD at the time of application deadline.

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Applicants apply individually, but the five selected candidates are expected to also work together as a group during the course of the fellowship. Furthermore, relevant researchers from PIREAU will be affiliated with the selected group of fellows.

The fellowship includes

All fellows will have a salary based on seniority (employment conditions and wages are regulated through Danish collective union agreements), relocation assistance and relocation costs such as transportation and visa permits, if applicable. Fellows will have an office space, the opportunity to participate in the infrastructure of AIAS, in academic training activities, and in conferences and workshops at AIAS and at the relevant research environments at Aarhus University.

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About PIREAU

The Platform for Inequality Research at Aarhus University (PIREAU) brings together a broad range of researchers from a variety of disciplines to conduct cutting-edge research on inequality.

The ambition of PIREAU is to facilitate true interdisciplinary research at the highest international level and thereby make a significant contribution to our understanding of inequality.

PIREAU is funded by Aarhus University and hosts more than 30 researchers from eight departments, including Clinical Medicine, Economics and Business Economics, Dentistry and Oral Health, Law, Political Science, Psychology, Public Health, and the Danish School of Education.

More: <https://pireau.au.dk>

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Call for Applications: AIAS Visiting Fellowships

AIAS Visiting Fellowships (for researchers on sabbaticals)

Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies at Aarhus University offers a number of visiting fellowships to outstanding researchers from abroad who are looking for an opportunity to engage in the international and interdisciplinary research community of AIAS and to collaborate with the research environments at Aarhus University (AU).

Visiting fellows will have their daily office space at AIAS, and will have the opportunity to participate in the activities at AIAS and at the relevant research environments at AU. AIAS offers optimal office facilities, and a thriving international and interdisciplinary community with joint social and academic activities.

AIAS - Interdisciplinary engagement and diversity

AIAS is an Institute, which breaks down disciplinary and national boundaries and provides the framework and the setting for dialogue and discussions that challenge and expand the conventional ways of thinking and contribute to collaborative research. As AIAS has fellows from all over the world and from all academic disciplines, visiting fellows will therefore be an integral part of a much wider and global research community.

AIAS strives to create not only an interdisciplinary, but also an inclusive academic environment, and applications are welcome regardless of race, religion, nationality, sex, gender and disability.

Requirements

Applicants must have a PhD and a minimum of two years of postdoctoral research experience at the time of the application deadline. AIAS Visiting Fellowships are without salary, and it is therefore expected that successful applicants will bring their salary with them from their home institution. Applicants should also have a contact with a researcher or research community at Aarhus University. An open-minded approach and a curiosity to other academic disciplines than your own is a great advantage.

Fellowship duration

Applicants can apply for a visiting fellowship with a duration of minimum 2 months and up to 12 months within the calendar years of 2023 and 2024.

Benefits of an AIAS Visiting Fellowship

- Office space and access to the lecture hall and meeting room facilities at AIAS
- Integration into an inspiring interdisciplinary and international research community
- Access to all social and academic activities at AIAS
- Administrative support for hosting academic events and conferences
- Travel costs (one return ticket) covered with up to a maximum of 2,000 euro; overseas ticket up to 3,000 euro
- Assistance with relocation practicalities.

Application deadlines

Application deadlines vary according to start date:

- December 1, 2022: for visiting fellowships starting in the spring 2023.
- May 1, 2023: for visiting fellowships starting in the fall 2023.
- November 1, 2023: for visiting fellowships starting in the spring 2024.
- May 1, 2024: for visiting fellowships starting in the fall 2024.

Early applications for later starting dates are always welcome. After each application deadline, the AIAS Review Board for visiting fellowships (with a representative from each AU faculty) will assess the applications, and answers will be sent out within 30 days to all applicants.

Application requirements and process

The application must include:

- Letter of motivation (max 2,000 characters)
- CV of applicant (including selected list of publications, max 5 pages)
- Letter of support from an Aarhus University contact
- Exact dates of preferred start and end dates of your fellowship

Applications must be submitted in one single pdf via email to Helle Villekold at helle@aias.au.dk.

**Call for Applications: Two Research Assistant Positions in Sociology of Human Rights
Deadline November 23, 2022**

Research Assistant in Sociology of Human Rights

(Two Research Assistants will be appointed, one with Ukrainian and one with Russian Language expertise)

Grade/Salary London Allowance)	6B (Point 25) – Starting salary £34,502 (including
Duration	24 months (starting 1 January 2023 or promptly thereafter)
FTE	80%

The Faculty

As of the 2023-24 Academic Year, the UCL School of Slavonic and Eastern European Studies (SSEES) will become a constituent academic unit of UCL's Faculty of Arts & Humanities.

Ranked fifth in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings by Subject for the last two consecutive years (2021 and 2022), and with several departments ranked 6th for Research Power in the recent REF 2021, the Faculty of Arts & Humanities is recognised globally for both its teaching and research excellence.

The Faculty offers study at all levels – Undergraduate, Postgraduate Taught and PhD – in departments which, alongside the traditional arts and humanities disciplines housed within English, Philosophy, Greek & Latin, the Slade School of Fine Art and the School of European Languages, Culture & Society (SELCS), include Hebrew & Jewish Studies, Information Studies, European & International Social & Political Studies (EISPS) and Arts and Sciences (offering the interdisciplinary BAsc programme and, new for 2023, the BA Creative Arts & Humanities).

The School

Founded in 1915, the UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies (SSEES) is one of the UK's largest institutions for research and teaching on Russia, the Baltics, and Central, Eastern and South-East Europe. Our mission is to create in-depth knowledge of Russia and Eastern Europe in regional, comparative, transnational, and global contexts, and to promote and disseminate an understanding of our region to the wider world; developing multidisciplinary, interdisciplinary, and multi-method approaches to knowledge creation and to teaching; and to enhance the development of area studies at UCL and among the wider academic community.

We offer undergraduate, postgraduate taught and postgraduate research programmes, both within our four core disciplines (Economics and Business; Politics and Sociology; Languages and Culture; and History), as well as interdisciplinary programmes (for example, our BA in History, Politics & Economics).

Job Description

Find out more about the School of Slavonic & East European Studies at www.ucl.ac.uk/ssees.

The Role

The UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies ([SSEES](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ssees)) is seeking to appoint two

part-time Research Assistants to work on the project [HuRiEE – Human Rights in Eastern Europe and Russia](#) funded by UKRI. The successful candidates will work with Associate Professor Agnieszka Kubal (Principal Investigator) and be part of an exciting team of scholars exploring the socio-legal aspects of human rights mobilisation in Eastern Europe and Russia.

HuRiEE treats human rights mobilisation as a window into the broader societies. It asks: How do claims-making before the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) shape the lives of individuals and the development of societies in Eastern Europe and Russia? The ultimate ambition for this project is to develop a brand-new theory of the relationship between human rights mobilisation, ECtHR's legitimacy, and the development of societies under the conditions of 'abusive constitutionalism' (Russia), open military conflict (Ukraine), deep transformations (Romania) and democratic backsliding (Poland and Hungary).

Duties and Responsibilities

The successful candidate will:

1. Be responsible for data collection in Ukraine (Research Assistant 1) or Russia (Research Assistant 2) among the people who mobilise human rights law (claimants, human rights lawyers, activists, and judges). This will involve – in the first instance - online qualitative interviewing and – only if the security situation allows – fieldwork in NGOs, which bring cases to the ECtHR and observations in domestic courts.
2. Conduct archival research – in the first instance – using available online repositories and – only if the security situation allows – different national and regional archives on the adaptation of the European Convention of Human Rights (ECHR).
3. Transcribe and translate proportion of the interviews, qualitative data coding, preparing NVivo database.
4. Preparing draft reports, summarizing findings and literature reviews, co-authoring (with the PI) articles and chapters on everyday mobilisation of the ECHR in Ukraine or Russia.

Some of the work (data collection) will be done remotely, but the Research Assistant is expected to visit SSEES regularly and be integral part of the research team.

Person Specification

The essential requirements of the post include:

1. An aptitude and commitment to high-quality research.
2. Experience of social science research: qualitative data collection, archival research, and analysis (experience of working with in-depth interviews or biographical narrative interviews is desirable).
3. Good skills of NVivo (or demonstrable ability to learn the software).
4. Demonstrable research interest in human rights and legal mobilisation in Russia or Ukraine (previous knowledge of the human rights field and access to research participants is desirable).
5. Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English (fluent) and Ukrainian or Russian (advanced).

6. A Master's degree in sociology, anthropology, socio-legal studies, human rights, or a closely related field of social science.

Salary and Starting Date

The Research Assistant will be appointed on Grade 6B, point 25, currently £34,502 per annum (pro rata), including London Allowance.

The appointment should start on 1 January 2023 or promptly thereafter.

Application process

Application for the position should be made online via the UCL Human resources website at: <http://www.ucl.ac.uk/hr/jobs/>

Please also upload your CV and cover letter as well as one of your research papers or a piece of original writing that is relevant to this post.

For enquiries relating to the post, please contact Dr Agnieszka Kubal (a.kubal@ucl.ac.uk)
For queries relating to the application process, please contact Shevanese Anderson (shevanese.anderson@ucl.ac.uk)

Call for Applications: Associate Professor for SSHRC Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Northern Governance and Public Policy

Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in
Northern Governance and Public Policy
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Date posted online: November 16, 2022

Closing Date: December 16, 2022

The Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at Memorial University is undertaking an open search to recruit and nominate an accomplished scholar for a SSHRC Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Northern Governance and Public Policy. For this opportunity, appointments will be at the level of Assistant Professor or Associate Professor. Those at the level of Assistant Professor should have qualifications that will warrant promotion to the Associate Professor level within three years of the nomination. The start date is contingent upon timing of the successful Canada Research Chair application, with January 2024 the likely earliest possible start date. Salary will be competitive and commensurate with the qualifications of the candidate. In addition, for the duration of the Chair term (5 years, renewable once for a further 5 years), the Chair will receive guaranteed research funding and a reduced teaching load (equivalent of 2 courses per year).

The Chair's mandate will be Northern Governance and Public Policy, open to any disciplinary or interdisciplinary perspective within the humanities and/or social sciences. The Chair may develop a research focus at a variety of geographic scales, including the local, regional, national, and global contexts in which northern governance and policy processes occur. The Chair position is also open to a variety of thematic areas, including (but not

limited to) Indigenous governance, land claims processes, resource policy, social policy, gender and politics, regional governance, education, wildlife co-management arrangements, environmental policy, and international relations. The Chair will be expected to play a leadership role developing northern research capacity within the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, and will have opportunities to forge research links with the School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies, <https://www.mun.ca/labradorcampus/school-of-arctic-and-subarctic-studies/>, at Memorial's Labrador Campus. The successful candidate will hold a Ph.D. and have an excellent publication record in a field relevant to the Chair's mandate. The candidate will be expected to work well in an interdisciplinary environment and have a record of public engagement and knowledge mobilization.

The Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences has maintained a strong commitment to northern research and public policy work. Faculty members have developed northern research projects in the area of coastal archaeology, changing ice thickness (the SmartICE project), mining history, energy and resource development, wildlife conservation, homelessness and housing, boreal ecology, and pollution. Governance, Ethics, Rights and Security are research strengths in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. Memorial is committed to strengthening Indigenous research, in part through the implementation of The Strategic Framework for Indigenization 2021-2026. The faculty also maintains a strong commitment to public policy in governance research, and faculty members have carried out a variety of research programs related to local elections, gender and politics, economic development, and resource governance. The Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences will soon launch a redesigned undergraduate program in Law and Public Policy (housed in the Department of Political Science) as well as a Diploma in Public Policy, with participating faculty in Geography, Economics, Political Science and Sociology.

Tier 2 Canada Research Chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars (candidates must have been an active researcher in their field for no longer than 10 years at the time of nomination). Applicants who are more than 10 years from having earned their highest degree due to career breaks, such as parental or extended sick leave, clinical training, etc., may have their eligibility for a Tier 2 Chair assessed through the program's Tier 2 justification program. Memorial University acknowledges that career paths can be diverse and that certain circumstances may legitimately affect a nominee's record of research achievement. Applicants are encouraged to explain, in their cover letter, any personal circumstances resulting in career interruptions, if applicable.

Memorial University is committed to employment equity and diversity and encourages applications from all qualified candidates including women; people of any sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; Indigenous peoples; visible minorities, and racialized people; and people with disabilities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply, however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

As part of Memorial University's commitment to employment equity, all applicants are invited to identify themselves as a member of a target group(s) as appropriate. Applicants cannot be considered as a member of a target group(s) unless they complete an employment

equity survey. If you do not receive a survey or have any questions, please contact equity@mun.ca.

Memorial University's policy on Workplace Accommodation respects people's different needs and will take all reasonable steps to ensure accommodation for applicants where appropriate, <https://www.mun.ca/policy/browse-or-search/browse-policies/university-policy/?policy=287>. If you require an accommodation to participate in the recruitment process, please notify the Employment Equity Officer at equity@mun.ca.

Memorial University is Newfoundland and Labrador's only university, www.mun.ca, and plays an integral role in the educational and cultural life of the province. Offering diverse undergraduate and graduate programs to over 18,000 students, Memorial provides a distinctive and stimulating environment for learning. St. John's is a safe, friendly city with great historic charm, a vibrant cultural life, and easy access to a wide range of outdoor activities.

Memorial's Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, <https://www.mun.ca/hss/>, has over 160 faculty members in 15 academic departments and a wide variety of interdisciplinary major, minor and diploma programs. Counting around 5000 students with declared majors or minors, and with strong graduate programs, the Faculty is committed to providing solid teaching and research support to new appointees. The Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences houses, among other units, the Nexus Centre for Interdisciplinary Research in Humanities and Social Sciences, the Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER), and Memorial University Press. It is also home to outstanding archival collections, including the Maritime History Archive, the Folklore and Language Archive and the Indigenous Language Laboratory and Archive.

The deadline to receive applications is Friday, December 16, 2022, and should include the following:

- A letter of application describing how the applicant meets the criteria for the position;
- An up-to-date curriculum vita;
- The names and addresses of three referees;
- Copies of or links to three recent and influential research publications;
- A proposed CRC personal research programme of no more than 1,500 to 2,000 words. This document should include plans for developing or fostering research intensification across boundaries and/or disciplinary strengths; a plan for attracting, developing and retaining graduate students; and a plan for the development of externally funded large-scale strategic research projects and/or other programs appropriate to the field.

Please send applications electronically as a single PDF file, with the subject heading: "CRC applicant_(YOUR NAME)," and quoting the reference number to:

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REFERENCE: F01520-2022-121

Call for Abstracts – Authoritarian States in Human Rights Institutions: Russia and the Council of Europe

On 13-14 March 2023, a workshop will be hosted at the University of Oslo on the Russian experience in the Council of Europe and the lessons to be learned for the international institutions focused on human rights. The submission deadline for this call for abstracts is 20 December.

Russia's membership in the Council of Europe (CoE) now has a beginning, middle, and end. How did that relationship change both Russia and the international organization that welcomed it? What can be learned from Russia's tumultuous experience? This is not only of academic interest, since other CoE Member States also act in ways that increasingly challenge the core values of that organization: democracy, human rights, and the rule of law. How can the CoE respond to states that systematically challenge these values as well as the practical operation of its key institutions?

The CoE was founded with the goal of uniting effective political democracies to promote human rights and the rule of law. With the end of the Cold War, the CoE sought to strengthen those values through eastward expansion to emerging democracies. As suggested by the model of Levitsky and Way (2010), the CoE (among other international actors) sought to promote the strengthening of its core values across newly opened European frontiers by means of "shaping incentives," "creating domestic constituencies," and "shaping the distribution of power and resources" favoring human rights and democracy within geographically proximate countries. Much good came of that effort, especially in Russia. But in 2022, an unrepentantly authoritarian Russia, increasingly unbound by the rule of law, became the first state expelled from the CoE. Just as troubling, both the legitimacy and capacity of the CoE's key human rights body, the European Court of Human Rights, had been weakened by Russia's inclusion and the problems of addressing other Member States with authoritarian leanings. Now Russia is at war with a CoE Member State (Ukraine), having fought another (Georgia), and retained "peacekeepers" with varying degrees of legitimacy in a further two (Moldova and Azerbaijan).

How should one assess the risks and benefits of welcoming authoritarian-leaning states into inter-state systems designed to promote democracy, human rights, and regional security? What is jeopardized by doing so? What realistically can be achieved by their inclusion? The policy relevance of these questions is very high for Russia, Europe, and elsewhere. The preamble to the European Convention on Human Rights explicitly identifies the strengthening of democracy, human rights, and the rule of law as core objectives; indeed the willingness (and ability) of states to pursue that trio of objectives has served as the baseline for the CoE's standards for welcoming new members into the organization. Russia, therefore, presents not only a stress test for this international system, but a test more generally of the conditions under which such ambitions may be realized.

This workshop intends to provide a forum for examining these questions with an eye toward assisting scholars in developing their ideas for publication. It is based on a proposal made by Geir Flikke (UiO), Sondre Torp Helmersen (UiT), Jeffrey Kahn (SMU), Marianna Muravyeva and Dmitry Kurnosov (University of Helsinki), and Silvia Steininger (Max Planck) to the Centre for Advanced Study at the Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters. Funding is generously provided by PluriCourts, the Centre for Excellence at the Faculty of Law in the University of Oslo.

Practicalities and Timeline

A lunchtime keynote speaker is anticipated, as is a dinner after the workshop. Limited funds may be available for graduate students and post-doctoral researchers in need of travel assistance.

20 December 2022 – Deadline for the submission of abstracts (max. 500 words)

2 January 2023 – Organizers inform applicants about the results

1 March 2023 – Selected presenters are expected to submit a paper of minimum 4,000 words

13-14 March 2023 – Workshop in Oslo

Submit your abstract through this link: <https://www.smu.edu/Law/Faculty/Conferences-Symposia-Lecture-Series/Call-for-Abstracts> Deadline 20th December!

Call for Papers: 9th Edinburgh Postgraduate Law Conference (EPLC 2023)

EPLC 2023

Law in the 21st Century: Challenges and Adaptations

The 9th Edinburgh Postgraduate Law Conference will take place on 30-31 May 2023.

About the conference

The rapid developments of the 21st century have created new challenges for the law regime. The novel concepts of climate change and social responsibility have introduced new governance concepts to the traditional financial regulatory system, such as ESG (environmental, social, and governance). Technology developments, such as cryptocurrency and non-fungible tokens, challenge the boundaries of data protection law and intellectual property law. Military conflicts and trade disputes highlight the difficulty for the law to regulate international relations, and demonstrate the ever-present role of politics in such matters. However, the list does not end here. On the one hand, it could be argued that every area of law is influenced by social and historical developments. On the other hand, should the law only be reactive?

What are the challenges brought by new trends? How would these new trends shift our understanding of law? Should the law evolve to cope with these challenges? If so, in what manner? The Edinburgh Postgraduate Law Conference (EPLC) 2023 welcomes proposals from postgraduate students and early career researchers, who graduated no longer than three years ago, reflecting on the topic of “Law in the 21st Century: Challenges and Adaptations”. The theme is deliberately broad and open to interpretation, and proposals of any legal research areas are welcome.

EPLC 2023 will take a hybrid form. Speakers can either present in person at the Edinburgh Law School or participate online via video meeting platforms. Sessions will be 25 minutes consisting of up to 15 minutes for presentations and up to 10 minutes for Q&A/discussion.

If you would like to present, please send an abstract of no more than 300 words outlining your proposed topic, and a short biographical details form, which is available on our website, by **1st January 2023**, to edlawpgconference@ed.ac.uk with the subject ‘EPLC 2023 Abstract Submission’. If your proposal is accepted, we will let you know by the end of January 2023. For more information, please consult our [website](#).