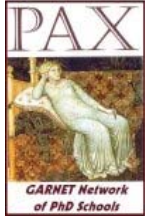




Call for Applications

1. Introduction



The GARNET PhD school offers a week long intensive seminary focused on theoretical issues and research methodologies and is based upon active student participation.

This is a call for PhD students for the up-coming seminar which will be held in Brussels, **between June 11-15 2007**, on the topic of "**Global Governance & Regionalism: The Inter-Regional Dimension**".

2. General Introduction to the GARNET Ph.D. school

The Network of PhD schools is part of the GARNET Network of Excellence -financed by the 6th FP of European Commission (2005-2009)- which focuses on "*Global Governance, Regionalisation and Regulation: the role of the EU*". The Network of PhD schools is jointly coordinated by the the Institut d'Etudes Européennes at the Université Libre de Bruxelles (IEE-ULB) and the UNU-CRIS in Bruges, under the scientific supervision of an Academic Council.

During the five years of the GARNET project, at least 9 PhD seminars will be organized. The tentative list of topics is aimed at covering a broad range of research fields, amongst which:

1. Global Governance & the Role of the EU: EU and Global governance: efficiency and legitimacy; (December 2005, Brussels)
2. Global Governance & the Role of the EU: **The socio-economic modernization of the EU and the globalized economy. The Lisbon strategy**; (June 2006, Brussels)
3. Global Governance & the Role of the EU: **EU political multilateralism and UN**; (December 2006, Bruges)
4. **Global Governance & Regionalism: The Inter-Regional Dimension (up-coming: June 2007, Brussels)**
5. Global Governance & Regionalism: **The future of the WTO system**, (December 2007, Geneva)
6. Global Governance & Regionalism: **The Institutional Dimension**; (June 2008, Brussels))
7. Global Governance & Regionalism: **The Gender Dimension** (December 2008, Kassel)
8. Global Governance & Regionalism: **Theoretical Innovations** (June 2009, Brussels)
9. -To be confirmed-



The fourth GARNET PhD seminar "**Global Governance & Regionalism: The Inter-Regional Dimension**" will be held in Brussels between **June 11-15, 2007**

3. Governance Structure of GARNET PhD School

Academic Council

- Prof. Attila Agh, Corvinus University Budapest, Hungary
- Prof. Anne Deighton, Oxford University, UK
- Prof. Janine Goetschy, CNRS, Paris
- Prof. Bjorn Hettne, University of Gotheborg, Sweden
- Prof. Richard Higgott, University of Warwick (GARNET central Coordinator)
- Prof. Nicolas Levrat, University of Geneva, Switzerland
- Prof. Riccardo Scartezzini, University of Trento, Italy
- Prof. Reimund Seidelmann, University of Giessen, Germany
- Prof. Karen Smith, London School of Economics, UK
- Prof. Mario Telò, IEE, ULB, Bruxelles
- Prof. Luk Van Langenhove, UNU-CRIS, Bruges, Belgium

Project Coordinators

Prof. Mario Telò (Executive director & senior Co-coordinator, ULB PhD School in European Studies)

Prof. Luk Van Langenhove (senior co-coordinator, UNU-CRIS, Bruges)

Junior Project Coordinators

Frederik Ponjaert, (IEE-ULB)

Administrative Staff

Corine Barella (Garnet PhD School Network Secretariat - ULB)

Coordinator of PhD 4th Seminar

Frederik Ponjaert, (IEE-ULB)

Sebastian Santander (IEE-ULB)



4. GARNET PhD Seminar 4: Global Governance and Regionalism: The Inter-Regional Dimension

4.1. Topic

In the early 90's, international relations underwent a renaissance and saw a major proliferation of regionalism. The strengthening of these relations led to the development of new foreign relations, especially those of an inter-regional nature.

This PhD School aims to study the phenomenon of inter-regionalism on the basis of a perspective that is both historical as well as topical, without neglecting both theoretical and empirical considerations.

While particular attention will be paid to the role played by the European Union in the development of inter-regionalism, the PhD School will also focus on other inter-regional arrangements that have emerged within the current World Order. A central concern of the seminar's work will be to evaluate whether regional groups are about to become global political "players"?

A series of questions will be posed as inter-regionalism will be analysed from a variety of angles. The debates will focus on the nature of these new players on the world stage. How and why regional groups develop interregional relations? What is the relationship between inter-regionalism and the global political economy? What is the relationship between inter-regionalism and multilateralism? What is the role of regionalism and inter-regionalism in global governance?

The various existing inter-regional relations both those centred around the EU and those stretching from Africa, the Americas and Asia shall all be studied through their specificities as well as through their contribution to Global Governance.

The seminar will bring together **about 25 Ph.D. students** involved in the fields related to regionalism & inter-regionalism fostering an international and trans-disciplinary dialogue aimed at nurturing new and innovative thinking on these matters.

The programme also aims to develop a dialogue between the world of research and the European Union institutions based in Brussels. The seminar will bring together an international group of scholars and PhD students mainly coming from the GARNET network.

The PhD workshop will be divided into five main sessions and two keynote speeches at the very beginning and at the conclusion of the seminar.

The several thematic sessions devoted to a specific topic:

- **Opening Roundtable: Global Governance and the EU: The inter-Regional Dimension**
- **Research Theme 1: Inter-regionalism from an historic perspective**
- **Research Theme 3: Theoretical Considerations**
- **Research Theme 4: The African Region within global Governance**
- **Research Theme 5: The Transatlantic Triangle**
- **Research Theme 6: Emergence of an East Asian Region**
- **Research Theme 7: Evolving regional Neighbourhoods**



Each session will include one lecture by a keynote speaker (about 1 hour) followed by a general discussion, and one or two paper presentations by selected students based on her/his current research and dealing with specific tasks related to the seminar. Students not involved in the presentation of papers will be encouraged to have an active participation in the general discussions and the Q-A sessions. The presented papers will be discussed by the lecturer in charge of the specific session, so as to provide students with some constructive feedback on their research. Paper-givers will be offered the opportunity of publishing their papers on the GARNET website and to contribute to other GARNET publication outlets following Academic Council approval.

Participants as well as paper-givers will be selected by the Academic Council amongst the submitted applications on the basis of quality and relevance. **The necessary forms can be downloaded** on the following website:

www.garnet-eu.org

4.2. Admission procedures

The workshop is designed to meet the needs of maximum 25 PhD students and researchers. For the students selected as paper-givers accommodation and subsistence are covered by GARNET and there is a budget up to 300 EUR for travel expenses. For the other participants accommodation and subsistence will also be covered but travel costs will be reimbursed only up to 200 EUR. In cases where travel costs of non-paper givers overpass this ceiling of 200 EUR, PhD students from Central and Eastern Europe as well as developing countries can appeal for extra-financing from a specific solidarity budget. Those seeking such scholarships must make a specific request on the application form. Priority will be given to applications of PhD students coming from universities belonging to the GARNET Network. The selecting board will also take into account the geographic balance and the gender dimension.

Candidates must be fluent both in spoken and written English, as it is the working language of the summer school. Participation involves the presentation of a paper based on current research and undertaking specific tasks related to the seminar. Participants are also expected to attend all sessions as well as other organised events of the seminar.

4.3. Scientific and Social Programme

Students are encouraged to attend scientific and social events taking place around the seminar. Lecturers will be available during the course of the seminar so that beyond the single session they are responsible of, in order to facilitate the network formation process. Moreover, as one of the main goals of the programme is to foster networking, participants are encouraged to interact outside the seminar classes in order to increase co-operation between PhD students working on similar topics in the various GARNET member institutions. A welcome cocktail and a final reception will be organised.

4.4. Assessment

The activities conducted during the PhD workshop lead to a degree coupled with ECTS credits, under the scientific responsibility of the Academic Council.

5. Application procedure

a) Submission

Applications must be submitted by **April 15, 2007** and contain:

- The application form with full contact coordinates of the applicant;
- A CV comprising academic qualifications, current professional or academic position;
- A 500 word abstract of the applicant's proposed paper;



- A letter of recommendation from his/her PhD supervisor or other University professor;
- For Central and Eastern European and developing countries applications seeking scholarships only: specific request for additional funding for the travel. Please include a request statement to the application.

b) Notification of Acceptance

The Academic Council of the PhD Schools network will select the participants and decide on the paper-givers by the end of October 2006. Applicants will be informed by e-mail of the outcome of the selection as soon as possible following this date. The candidates selected for participation will be asked to confirm their intention to participate within 10 days, after which those places would be offered to other applicants. Electronic submissions of the approved papers are expected before the November 30, 2006.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES and DATES

Deadline for receipt of applications: April 15, 2006
Notification of Acceptance to applicants: May 1st 2007
Receipt of approved papers by May 31st, 2007
PhD Seminars: June 11-15, 2007

Queries and Applications to be sent electronically to:

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Universiteit Leiden	NL
Freie Universiteit Berlin	D
Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Bordeaux	F
Universitaet Bremen	D
Université Libre de Bruxelles	B
Central European University	H
Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques	F
Copenhagen Business School	DK
University of Essex	GB
The Evian Group Association	CH
Exeter University	GB
Universita Degli Studi di Firenze	I
Göteborg University	S
Institut Français des Relations Internationales	F
Institute of Social Sciences	NL
Univerza v Ljubljani	SLO
London School of Economics	GB
Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster	D
Universitet I Oslo	N
UNU-CRIS	B
Uniwersytet Wroclawski	PL
University of Aarhus	DK
Universitaet Bielefeld	D
Budapesti Corvinus Egyetem	H
Center for the Study of Democracy	BG
Universitaet Dortmund	D
Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies	A
Vrije Universiteit Brussel	B
Université de Genève	CH
Forum on the Problems of Peace and War	I
University of Giessen	D
Kassel University	D
Instituto de Estudos Estratégicos e Internacionais	P
Centro di Ricerca di Economia Internazionale, Università di Roma	I
University of London	GB
University of Sheffield	GB
University of Southern Denmark, Center for European Studies	DK
Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study in the Social Sciences	S
Università Degli Studi Di Trento	I
Trinity College Dublin	IRE