



PRESIDENT'S END OF YEAR MESSAGE

2014 has been an exceptionally productive year for CESAA and for European Studies in Australia and the region. The highlight of the year was undoubtedly the annual EUSA AP conference in May in Melbourne, hosted by CESAA with the generous and invaluable assistance of the European Union (EU) Centre at RMIT University and the National Centre for Research on Europe at the University of Canterbury (NZ). The conference, attended by World European Community Studies Association President Prof. Dr. Enrique Banús, provided a truly multidisciplinary platform for academics and graduate students from a wide range of fields to present their research, adding to a deeper understanding of the complexities of the EU-Asia Pacific relations. It is hoped that many of this year's presenters will be able to make their way to Seoul, South Korea, for the 2015 conference to continue the discussion and dialogue. Keeping the momentum going, on 15 September CESAA in conjunction with Swinburne University of Technology and RMIT University hosted a workshop on the *European diaspora in Australia*. The year concluded with the official announcement of the 21st CESAA Essay Competition winners on 7 October, attended by Bruno Scholl from the EU Delegation in Australia, CESAA's partner in the competition since 2002.

Season's greetings
Associate Professor Bruno Mascitelli
CESAA President

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CESAA NEWS

Wishing all members and e-bulletin readers a good holiday season and a great start to 2015



AUSTRALIA—EU NEWS

G20 Summit—Brisbane

The Group of Twenty (G20) Leaders' Summit took place in November in Brisbane. It was attended by European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker and European Council President Herman Van Rompuy. Participants agreed on a commitment to enhancing economic growth by an extra two per cent, supporting job creation, promoting development and building global confidence; the summit also addressed the stability of global systems, mentioning measures to reduce risk in financial systems, improve the stability of banks, make international taxation arrangements fairer, reduce corruption and strengthen global institutions. While the main focus of the summit was on economic concerns, further topics such as energy supply, climate change and the Ebola epidemic are also mentioned.

In the context of the summit, Australian Prime Minister Tony Abbott and President of the European Council Herman Van Rompuy discussed the bilateral EU - Australian relationship and international challenges, such as the Ukraine. President Van Rompuy invited PM Abbott to visit Brussels.

Further information is available via the links below:
[brisbane_g20_leaders_summit_communique](#)
[Abbott-Van Rompuy meeting](#)

EABC EU G20 Reception in Brisbane

In the context of the G20 summit in Brisbane, the European Australian Business Council (EABC) welcomed delegates from the European Union (EU) including Herman Van Rompuy, President of the European Council, and Valdis Dombrovskis, Vice-President and European Commissioner for the Euro and Social Dialogue.

Further information is available via the link below:
[eabc-eu-g20-reception-brisbane](#)

1st EU-Australia Counter Terrorism Dialogue

The inaugural EU-Australia Counter Terrorism Dialogue was held in Brussels on 6 November between Australia's Counter Terrorism Ambassador Miles Armitage and Mara Marinaki, European External Action Service (EEAS) Managing Director of Global and Multilateral Issues. The agenda included the issue of Foreign Fighters and the implementation of UNSCR 2178, international CT cooperation and counter terrorism financing.

Further information is available via the link below:
[Eu-Australia counter terrorism dialogue](#)

EU NEWS

Conclusion of Catherine Ashton's term as EU High Representative

31 October 2014 marked the end of Catherine Ashton's 2009 to 2014 term as High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the Commission. However, she will continue to chair the Iran nuclear talks.

Further information is available via the link below:
[End of C Ashton's time as EU High Representative](#)

New High Representative for Foreign Affairs & Security Policy

Federica Mogherini succeeded Catherine Ashton as the European Union's High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice President of the European Commission on 1 November 2014.

Further information is available via the link below:
[New High Representative](#)

PUBLICATIONS

Recent Publications

Gianfranco Cresciani and Bruno Mascitelli (eds), *Italy-Australia: An asymmetrical relationship*, Ballarat, Australia: Connor Court, 2014.

This collection of essays is focused on Australian-Italian political history and makes available information not public before.

Further information is available via the link below:
[Italy-Australia: An asymmetrical relationship](#)

Journals

Australian and New Zealand Journal of European Studies

Volume 6 (1) is available in hard copy and will become available electronically shortly.

<http://www.eucnetwork.org.nz/12/>

Newsletters

To access the *ECSA World-News* newsletter please use the link below:

[ECSA World-News](#)

EVENTS

Public Lectures & Seminars

3 December 2014—15.00

Zu Neuen Ufern (To New Shores)—Film screening with introductory talk (English)

Speakers: Christoph Klimmer, doctoral candidate, University of Hamburg; James Findlay, doctoral candidate, The University of Sydney

Location: University of Sydney, Old Geology Lecture Theatre, Edgeworth David Building, A11 Science Road

Preceded by a short introductory talk, The University of Sydney screens the 1937 film *Zu Neuen Ufern* (To New Shores) which tells the story of a beautiful singer who is wrongly convicted of forgery and transported as a convict to New South Wales, where she endures the hardships of the infamous Parramatta Female Factory.

With stylistic influences from the Hollywood Western genre this pre-war film, set in Australia, with a Swedish female lead and German cast, demonstrates how the transnational nature of cinema production and distribution can re-imagine national histories.

Please register with James Findlay at

james.findlay@sydney.edu.au

Further information is available via the link below:

[Zu neuen Ufern](#)

4 December 2014—9.00–11.45

EUROPEAN UNION HORIZON 2020—INFORMATION SESSION

Speakers: Dr Leonie Walsh, Lead Scientist of Victoria; Ms Cristina Russo, Director, International Cooperation, Director-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission; Mr Armand Beuf, Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Desk, International Cooperation, Director-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission; Prof Richard Sinnott, Director eResearch, University of Melbourne; Dr Stuart Ralph, Bio 21 Molecular Science and Biotechnology Institute; Dr Nicholas Johnson, A/Assistant Director, Research Programs, National Health and Medical Research Council;

Dr Adrian Collins, International Research Coordinator,
University of Melbourne

Location: Upper East Room, University House, Professors
Road/Cnr Tin Alley, University of Melbourne, Parkville

Information session on opportunities for collaboration
with the European Union under the EU Horizon 2020
program with representatives of the Directorate General
for Research and Innovation from the European
Commission in Brussels.

Further information is available via the link below:

[EU-horizon-2020-info-session](#)

4 December 2014—17.30—(for 17.45 start)

Tom Nairn Lecture 2014 with Lionel Jospin—From the Napoleonic Venture to the Current European Malaise

Speaker: Lionel Jospin, former French Prime Minister
(1997-2002)

Location: RMIT Capitol Theatre, 113 Swanston St,
Melbourne

Lionel Jospin will use the lecture to discuss how the
sudden rise of Napoléon Bonaparte – with his
establishment of Caesarism (charismatic autocracy) in
France and its subsequent imposition on the continent –
prevented the modernisation of Europe with drastic
consequences for the future.

Registration is essential. Please register by 5.00pm on 2
December 2014.

Further information is available via the link below:

[Tom Nairn lecture](#)

4 December 2014—18.00

Presentation of Valerio De Simoni's Travel Journals

Speakers: Dr Gino Moliterno, editor, ANU School of
Literature, Languages and Linguistics; Anna Maria
Dell'Oso, Australian writer, journalist and critic; George
Alexander, writer; Vittoria Pasquini, mother and founder
of the Valerio De Simoni Association

Location: Istituto Italiano di Cultura, Sydney, Level 4, 125
York Street, Sydney NSW 2000

The Italian Cultural Institute Sydney in collaboration with
Associazione Valerio De Simoni presents the diary of a 24
year old Italo-Australian man who in 2011, accompanied
by two friends, broke the world record for travel on small
four-wheeled vehicles (an achievement celebrated in the
Guinness World Records, 2013). But his journey was
above all one of initiation into the heart of the World.
With his Quad Squad Expedition he crossed Europe and
Africa in order to gather delightful images, strong feelings
and a great deal of funds for humanitarian causes.

Booking essential: iicsydney@esteri.it or 02 9261 1780

Further information is available via the link below:

[Valerio de Simoni Travel Journals](#)

6 December 2014—14.00–15.00

Mythology in Italian Art

Speaker: Dr Christopher Allen (The Australian)

Location: Nicholson Museum, The University of Sydney,
The Quadrangle, Manning Rd, Camperdown, NSW

A lecture in the monthly series Italy: travels in art, history
and culture, this lecture will introduce some of the most
famous pictures of the Renaissance and later centuries,
while also explaining why such importance was attached
to their subjects.

Bookings required.

Further information is available via the link below:

[mythology-in-italian-art](#)

8 December 2014—14.00–17.00

Australian – German Research Collaboration Forum

Speakers: Representatives from the German Federal
Ministry of Education and Research; Research
organisations: Fraunhofer Society and Helmholtz
Association; Research funding organisations: German
Research Foundation, German Academic Exchange
Service, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

Location: University of Melbourne, Woodward
Conference Centre, Level 10, 185 Pelham Street, Carlton

Germany places great emphasis on innovation, support
for high-calibre research and globally networked research
cooperation. This forum, jointly hosted by the German
Federal Ministry of Education and Research, the German
Embassy and the University of Melbourne EU Centre on
Shared Complex Challenges, provides information on
Germany's multifaceted research landscape.

Further information is available via the link below:

[australian-german-research-collaboration-forum-tickets-14338919093](#)

11 December 2014—18.30–19.30

Maria Edgeworth, Edmund Burke, and the First Irish Ulysses

Speaker: Professor James Chandler, Barbara E. & Richard
J. Franke Distinguished Service Professor, Departments of
English & Cinema and Media Studies, University of
Chicago; Director, Franke Institute for the Humanities; Co-
Director, Scherer Center for the Study of American
Culture

Location: MacMahon Ball Theatre, Old Arts Building,
University of Melbourne

Long before James Joyce brought his allusive novelistic
craft to bear on the Odyssey, another Irish novelist,
likewise practiced in the art of allusion, Maria Edgeworth,
made extensive reference to the Homeric story in perhaps
her most important prose narrative, *The Absentee* (1812).

In considering the specific appeal of this story for the Irish in this period, Professor James Chandler will look carefully at Edgeworth's Homeric framing of absenteeism in the context of her explicitly Burkean theory of allusion and includes some reflections on James Barry's enigmatic portrait of Burke and himself in the role of Ulysses and one of his companions.

Further information is available via the link below:

[-maria-edgeworth-edmund-burke-and-the-first-irish-ulysses](#)

Call for Papers

Schengen: People, Borders and Mobility

Closing date: 15 December 2014

Location: Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Lisbon, Portugal

This conference takes place on 15-16 June 2015. In the era of globalization, which benefits the implementation of policies of both stimulus or repression for the movement of people, academics have been fostering discussion around topics and concepts related with migration, borders and mobility. This epistemological basis enables us to apprehend the complexity of the European area and invites us to examine the boundaries or lack of it that separate territories.

Thirty years after the signing of the first Schengen agreement, it urges to study the processes of people circulation (and their diversity) within and into this area. This international conference aims to discuss how the implementation of the Schengen Area has affected and changed relations between Member States, between themselves and third countries, as well as its consequences under the European Neighbourhood Policy.

The conference also seeks to analyze the changes in the concepts of border and border control; to understand how residents in the Schengen Area native or immigrants build their national and transnational identity; to assess the evolution of mobility within the Schengen Area, which in turn allows us to perceive the relations between regions, states and individuals and to explain the various impacts of the Schengen agreements in the territories, people and societies and their border experiences.

The organisers also encourage proposals that may bring new insights about anti-immigration policies caused by the fortress around Europe; the discourses (media, politics and academic) that have accompanied the frequent shipwrecks and the humanitarian tragedy in the Mediterranean coasts; the various movements and initiatives that have emerged as an alternative to migration policies in Europe and Schengen (such as the World Charter of Migrants and the Charter of Lampedusa).

The conference welcomes proposals from various scientific areas (Anthropology, Geography, History, International Relations, Law, Political Science, Sociology)

on topics within the conference scope, focusing on comparative studies or not.

For the submission of a proposal, please send the following information: name, affiliation, title of the paper, abstract (up to 500 words) and a biographical note (up to 150 words).

Proposals should be sent in Word format to: alice.cunha@fcs.unl.pt

The conference working languages are Portuguese and English.

Further information is available via the link below:

[CFP Schengen, Borders, People](#)

Global Growth Agendas: Regions, Institutions and Sustainability

Closing date: 30 January 2015

Location: Piacenza, Italy

This international conference, taking place on 24-27 May 2015 will examine social and economic imbalances of the current phase of globalization which require a rethinking of the model of international and regional development. The issues of inequality, ecological risks, and poor growth in some areas put at the center of the scientific and political debate the theme of values and institutions. What are the values for sustainable regional development in the future? And what institutional reforms are needed to overcome the negative consequences of the recession triggered by the financial turmoil of recent years? Which tools can strengthen the capacity of regions and cities to adapt to all changes and to increase the resilience of areas?

To answer these questions the RSA 2015 European Conference in Piacenza offers some lines of reflection about the themes of well-being and quality of life, technological and social innovation, individual and collective entrepreneurship, by starting from the analysis of the values and motivations that drive individual and institutional action.

The conference offers the opportunity to researchers and workers in local and regional development to explore and discuss collectively these key issues from different theoretical perspectives and empirical observation.

A number of bursaries are available for this conference.

The organisers welcome proposals for special sessions, themed workshops and innovative forms of networking and collaboration.

Further information is available via the link below:

[CFP regional-studies-association-annual-conference-2015-piacenza-italy](#)

Race, Mobility and Imperial Networks: Charting the Transnational Asia-Pacific World, 1800-2015

Closing date: 27 February 2015

Location: Melbourne

'Race, Mobility and Imperial Networks' will be a multi-disciplinary conference co-hosted by RMIT University and La Trobe University from 9–11 November 2015. In the wake of the transnational turn, we have begun to appreciate the global networks that produced and continue to produce imperial spaces. The world of the Pacific Rim, encompassing the Pacific Islands, Australia, New Zealand and British Columbia; the Americas and Asia was partly defined by mobility, ocean-crossings and forced migration. It is also a space that has been configured by European, American and Asian imperial powers with attending notions of racial or ethnic taxonomies. Abstracts are invited for papers or panels that explore the histories, laws and cultures of mobility, identity and variegated colonial and postcolonial spaces. The organisers hope these will enhance understandings of how space and mobility have been mutually constitutive, as well as the ways mobility and stillness have played a role in the accommodation and resistance of imperial pressures. While concepts of race have hardened into fixed categories in the last two centuries, peoples' mobility has also propelled them through numerous impositions of racial identity. How did cross-cultural and co-ethnic connections and networks, made by mobile subjects, reconfigure ideas of race? More recently, have new inroads in media and communication changed the ways in which race is constructed and experienced? Individual papers and panels may include but are not restricted to the following themes:

- Interactive histories of race, place and mobility;
- Historical and contemporary makings of the transnational Pacific and Asian Worlds;
- The role of media and communication in connecting and shaping diasporas;
- Indigenous and subaltern peoples' mobility and formations of space;
- Interrogating ideas of 'de-racialisation' in a 'post-racial' world.

Abstracts invited for papers, panels and roundtables. Submit to: rminconference2015@gmail.com

Select papers from the conference will be published in a special edition of *Australian Historical Studies*.

Further information is available via the link below:

[CFP: Race, mobility and imperial networks](#)

Workshops

National

11 – 18 January 2015

German Summer School 2015

Location: Deakin University, Burwood, Melbourne

The German Summer School is an eight day residential course designed to rapidly increase German language skills and understanding of German speaking countries.

The course will consist of tuition (mornings), a choice of special interest workshops (afternoons), a wide spectrum of activities and excursions outside core hours, and a special PD program for teachers of German.

Further information is available via the links below:

[German Summer School Brochure](#)

[Goethe Institut German Summer School](#)

20–22 January 2015

The European Union after 2014: A New Vitality, or Missed Opportunities?—Summer school for secondary school teachers

Location: Melbourne, Australia

2014 is a year of remarkable change for the EU. It has a new Parliament, it will have new Presidents of the European Council and of the European Commission, it will have a new Commission (even if some of the faces are the same), and a new High Representative. It has commenced a new budget period and is on the verge of having a Banking Union - of sorts... What does this mean for Europeans? What does it mean for us, and for the Asian region?

A three-day intensive program for teachers of:

- History
- Global/international politics
- Social and cultural studies
- Economics
- European languages

The 2015 European Studies Summer School offers a unique opportunity to engage with diverse expert speakers on topics that complement secondary school curricula.

Participation is free for all teachers from Australian and New Zealand secondary schools.

Limited travel and accommodation bursaries are available for interstate or country travel.

Further information is available via the links below:

[European Union Centre at RMIT](#)

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[Conference: Race, mobility and imperial networks](#)

International

2–3 February 2015

A Quarter Century of Post-Communism: Interdisciplinary Perspectives

University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand

This international conference, taking place on 2-3 February 2015, and sponsored by the National Centre for Research on Europe and School of Language, Social and Political Science at the University of Canterbury examines developments in a post-communist Europe.

Further information is available via the link below:

[Quarter century of post communism](#)

24–27 May 2015

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The conference will also include an excursion to the Milan Expo for the final plenary session, which addresses "Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life", to debate the urgent need for answers in the field of global food supply and sustainable energy production.

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[CFP Schengen, Borders, People](#)

15–18 June 2015

13th Annual International Conference on Politics & International Affairs

Location: Athens, Greece

The Politics & International Affairs Research Unit of the Athens Institute for Education and Research (ATINER) will hold its 13th Annual International Conference on Politics & International Affairs on 15-18 June 2015 in Athens, Greece.

The aim of the conference is to bring together academics, researchers, students and professionals in private and public organizations and governments of Politics and International Affairs and other related disciplines.

Further information is available via the link below:

[13 Atiner conference](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Fellowships

The International Post-Doc Initiative (IPODI)

Closing date: 15 December 2014

IPODI is part of the gender equality strategy of the Technische Universität Berlin and aims at increasing the number of female researchers in leadership positions. IPODI awards seven Incoming Postdoctoral Fellowships (salary scale between E 13 and E 14 TV-L).

The IPODI Fellowship Programme is open to outstanding researchers of all nationalities and from all fields of research represented at the TU Berlin.

Further information including selection criteria is available via the link below:

[IPODI](#)

Other

Horizon 2020

Closing date: project dependent

Horizon 2020, the new EU Research and Innovation program, is a Europe 2020 flagship initiative aimed at securing Europe's global competitiveness. Funding is based on competitive calls open to everyone, also to organisations/individuals outside the EU. Participants from countries associated to the EU research framework program have the same rights as EU participants; for other countries, the situation varies. Funding in the 2014 budget is focused on the three key pillars of Horizon 2020:

- Excellent Science: Around €3 billion, including €1.7 billion for grants from the European Research Council for top scientists and €800 million for Marie

Skłodowska-Curie fellowships for younger researchers (see MEMO/13/1123).

- Industrial Leadership: €1.8 billion to support Europe's industrial leadership in areas like ICT, nanotechnologies, advanced manufacturing, robotics, biotechnologies and space.
- Societal challenges: €2.8 billion for innovative projects addressing Horizon 2020's seven societal challenges, broadly: health; agriculture, maritime and bioeconomy; energy; transport; climate action, environment, resource efficiency and raw materials; reflective societies; and security.

Factsheets and presentation are available via this link: [Horizon 2020 - Factsheets and presentation](#)

Further information is available via the link below:

[Horizon 2020 - Further information](#)

Institute of Cultural Diplomacy (ICD)—Internship Opportunities

Closing date: Internship dependent

The ICD in Berlin, Germany offers internship opportunities to individuals who would like to gain practical experience working for a non-governmental organisation in the field of Cultural Diplomacy in the following areas:

- Political Science
- Marketing & PR
- Business & Economics
- Journalism & Communication
- Computer Science and Webdesign
- Cinema, Music, Photography and the Arts
- Administration
- Event Management

Further information is available via the link below:

[ICD Internship](#)

Erasmus+ Programme—2015

Closing date: project dependent

The 2015 call for proposals for Erasmus+, the European Union Programme for education, training, youth and sport is now open. As a general rule, organisations participating in Erasmus+ projects must be established in a Programme Country. However, some Actions are also open to participating organisations from Partner Countries such as Australia. The specific conditions for participating in an Erasmus+ project depend on the type of Action supported. Please consult the Erasmus+ Programme Guide for more details.

Further information is available via the links below:

[Official Journal of the European Union C344 Volume 57](#)
[Erasmus+ Programme Guide](#)

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- notification of CESAA and European Studies activities in Australia and around the world
- discounted registration at all CESAA-sponsored events.

For further information on joining CESAA, including the membership form, see the CESAA website: [CESAA membership form](#).

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