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## **CESAA NEWS**

### **CESAA Website Refresh**

CESAA's new website is now operational at:

[cesaa.org.au](http://cesaa.org.au)

Please note: CESAA also has a new email address:  
[info@cesaa.org.au](mailto:info@cesaa.org.au)

### **Italian Election 2018**

Following the Italian elections on 4 March, the European Studies Program at the University of Sydney and CESAA are co-hosting an event moderated by Professor Peter Morgan on the outcome and implications of the outcome of the Italian elections. Further information is available in the Public Lecture section of this newsletter and via CESAA's website at [cesaa.org.au](http://cesaa.org.au).

## **AUSTRALIA—EU NEWS**

### **Commissioner Bieńkowska's visit to Australia**

From 5 to 7 March 2018, EU commissioner for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, Elżbieta Bieńkowska, is visiting Australia. She will meet with Mr Dave Williams, Executive Director of Digital, National Facilities and Collections of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO); with Mr Craig Laundy, Minister for Small and Family Business, the Workplace and Deregulation; EU and Australian business leaders; representatives of Member States' Chambers of Commerce and Trade Commissions; and Mr Zed Seselja, Senator, Assistant Minister for Science, Jobs and Innovation. She will also visit the EU business enterprise NEOEN, deliver a speech at an event on space economy: "Connecting EU and Australian Earth Observations Industry"; and visit ANU Mount Stromlo Observatory and

Advanced Instrumentation and Technology Centre (AITC); and the Canberra Deep Space Communication Complex.

Further information is available via the link below:

[http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\\_CLDR-18-1501\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_CLDR-18-1501_en.htm)

### **Horizon 2020 events**

From 5—9 March 2018, the Australian and New Zealand CRC for Spatial Information (CRCSI) and the European Association of Remote Sensing Companies (EARSC), are hosting events in Brisbane, Canberra and Sydney with the aim of bringing Earth Observation specialists from the European Union and Australia together to team up for bidding for Horizon2020 funding. There is more than €6 million in Horizon2020 funding available for Australian-European collaborations.

Further information is available via the link below:

[horizon2020](http://horizon2020)

### **Launch of the Swedish Australian Chamber of Commerce Western Australia chapter**

The Swedish Australian Chamber of Commerce will launch its WA Chapter in Perth on 6 March 2018. Guests include HE Mr Pär Ahlberger, Ambassador of Sweden to Australia, and Mr Johan Lundström, President of the Swedish Australian Chamber of Commerce.

Further information is available via the link below:

[Sacc-perth](http://Sacc-perth)

## **EU NEWS**

### **Brexit**

On 21 February the UK government published its positions on the transition period, which it believes should simply be decided by the time necessary for the preparation and implementation of the new processes and system that will govern the partnership with the European Union.

On 2 March British PM Theresa May gave her third Brexit speech which has been described variously as a defeat, a realisation that leaving the EU would not be a simple process and thus the speech that should have been given at the beginning of the Brexit negotiations, and essentially futile as it did not resolve any of the issues looming next year.

The deadline for agreements with the EU on the terms of the exit is close, and core issues such as the border between Ireland and Northern Ireland, are unresolved. A short-term transitional agreement, between Brexit next

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March and an eventual U.K.-EU trade deal, is not yet in sight and the difference in opinion between the U.K and EU on that longer-term agreement is substantial. This state of affairs is exacerbated by the fact the UK itself is divided on Brexit and there has been a call for a second referendum.

From the EU's point of view a "hard Brexit" with no supporting agreements is a viable possibility as it would impact the U.K. far more than the EU and thus serve as a deterrent for other possible defectors.

May's Brexit speech is also said to have been seen as 'vague' and EU policy makers have asked for more details.

While Michel Barnier, the EU's chief Brexit negotiator, commented favourably on the "clarity" of May's speech, other EU officials were not as positive.

Members of the European Parliament—which has a veto over the entire Brexit deal—wanted more information.

May needed to move beyond vague aspirations, the European Parliament's chief Brexit coordinator, Guy Verhofstadt, said in a statement. "We can only hope that serious proposals have been put in the post."

Manfred Weber, leader of the Christian Democrats in the European Parliament, stated he was "even more concerned" now. "I don't see how we could reach an agreement on Brexit if the U.K. government continues to bury its head in the sand like this," he tweeted.

Further information is available via the links below:

- [Brexit 1](#)
- [Brexit 2](#)
- [Brexit 3](#)
- [Brexit 4](#)
- [Brexit 5](#)

### **Italian election 2018**

According to the Guardian, preliminary results from Italy's general election show the country split three ways: Silvio Berlusconi's Forza Italia and the anti-immigration the League; a centre-left coalition headed by Matteo Renzi; and the anti-establishment Five Star Movement (M5S). Neither of these groupings look likely to have enough seats to govern alone, and no government is possible without the support of either the League or M5S. Thus some kind of coalition will become necessary for a parliament majority.

Further information is available via the links below:

- [italian-elections-2018-full-results-renzi-berlusconi](#)
- [Italian-election-2018-results-exit-poll-live-updates-Italy-general-election](#)
- [italy-elections-polls-close---intl/index.html](#)

### **German elections five months on – formation of a Grand Coalition**

On 19th February German Chancellor Angela Merkel introduced the new CDU Secretary General Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer whose appointment was approved on 26th February during the 30th party congress in Berlin, which also saw the approval of the coalition contract with the German Social Democratic Party (SPD).

On 4 March 2018, after protracted negotiations, members of the SPD voted in favour of entering a coalition with Angela Merkel's CDU, leading to a renewal of the previous 'grand coalition'.

On 5 March 2018, German President Frank-Walter Steinmeier officially proposed to re-elect Merkel as chancellor to the German Parliament. The parliamentary vote will most likely take place on 14 March 2018.

Further information is available via the links below:

- [-new-german-government](#)
- [Germany government](#)
- [Germany government grand coalition](#)

### **Western Balkans**

The President of the European Commission, Jean-Claude Juncker, travelled to Macedonia and Albania on 25 February and to Serbia on 26 to discuss the enlargement of the Union to the Balkans. He congratulated these three countries on the reforms implemented so far, notably in terms of corruption. He encouraged them to continue their efforts as while it is necessary to take into account that they had emerged from difficult circumstances, it was also important to realise that the EU was a community based on values which all of its members needed to adopt.

Further information is available via the links below:

- [-western-balkans-](#)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Journals**

*Australian and New Zealand Journal of European Studies*

Volume 9 (2) is now available.

[Anzjes 9 \(2\)](#)

### **Newsletters**

#### **ECSA World-News**

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

[ECSA World-News](#)

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## EVENTS

### Public Lectures & Seminars

**27 February—20 March 2018—18.30-20.00**

#### **The Eternal Set: a Cinematic Journey through Rome**

Presenter: Dr. Matteo Dutto, Monash University, School of Media, Film and Journalism

Location: IIC Melbourne, 233 Domain Rd, South Yarra

A series of four weekly lectures at the IIC presented in English by Dr. Matteo Dutto.

From the early days of silent cinema, Rome, the Eternal City, has been the capital of Italian filmmaking and the set to countless memorable films. A city permeated with a romanticism and realism that continues to capture the imagination of Italian and International filmmakers, Rome has transcended its role of setting to establish itself as the main character in many diverse and fascinating stories.

Over the course of four lectures, we will explore the history and different souls of Rome through the eyes of Roberto Rossellini, Vittorio de Sica, Michelangelo Antonioni, Pier Paolo Pasolini, Federico Fellini and many other Italian and International maestri. Moving across Rome's unique fusion of ancient and modern, sacred and profane, we will take a dip into the Trevi Fountain with Marcello Mastroianni and Anita Ekberg, walk along the streets of the modernist district of EUR alongside Monica Vitti and Alain Delon and explore, with poet and filmmaker Pier Paolo Pasolini, life in the borgate, the shanty towns at the outskirts of the glamorous city centre.

Cost: \$100 for four sessions /Single session: \$30 - IIC Members: 10% discount

Further information is available via the link below:

[the-eternal-set-a-cinematic-journey.html](http://the-eternal-set-a-cinematic-journey.html)

**27 February –27 March 2018 Sydney**

**28 February—to 27 March 2018 Melbourne**

#### **French Film Festival**

Australia's most evocative cultural event returns, this year celebrating its 29th season.

Once again, this beloved, yet very avant-garde 'grande dame' will delight with a superb line-up of contemporary French cinema including, for the first time, a LGBT strand spread across categories such as "We are Family" and "Crazy in Love," in celebration of the 40th Sydney Gay & Lesbian Mardi Gras and Australia's recent 'Yes' vote for same-sex marriage.

Artistic Director, Philippe Platel, has selected over 50 features and documentaries – many of which will be Australian premières. Perhaps as a counterpoint to the increasing challenges faced by modern society, the 2018 programme also reflects the overall sense of positivity

infusing many recent French titles, incorporating messages of courage, generosity, camaraderie and equality.

Comedies and dramas, romances and biopics, period films and animated features...there is something for everyone at this year's Festival, with a selection of films to make you feel, dream, reflect, laugh or even shed a few tears. France comes to Australia for a few weeks with the Festival epitomizing the ever-strong bond between both nations and cultures.

Further information and registration facilities are available via the links below:

[2018-alliance-francaise-french-film-festival/](http://2018-alliance-francaise-french-film-festival/)

**8 March 2018—12.00–13.00**

#### **The Planetary Health Imperative to Ban and Eradicate Nuclear Weapons**

Speaker: Professor Tilman Ruff, School of Population and Global Health, University of Melbourne; and medical advisor, International Program, Australian Red Cross. A public health and infectious diseases physician, he serves as a Co-President of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (Nobel Peace Prize 1985), and was founding Chair of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN).

Location: The Auditorium, Peter Doherty Institute, Parkville, Grattan Street

The World Health Organization has concluded that nuclear weapons pose the greatest immediate threat to human health and welfare. They are the only weapons that pose an existential threat to planetary health. Yet rather than disarming, all nuclear-armed states are massively investing in modernising and retaining their arsenals. The dangers of nuclear war breaking out are growing and as high as they have ever been.

Current evidence on the effects of nuclear weapons, and successful approaches to control other indiscriminate and inhumane weapons, underpin the historic UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, adopted by 122 nations on 7 July 2017. In this lecture, Professor Tilman Ruff will explore why the Treaty is a public health good of the highest order. He will show how it provides a path for all states to the eradication of nuclear weapons, a stated aspiration of and legal obligation for all governments, and why all states should join the Treaty and implement it without delay.

Further information is available via the link below:

[the-planetary-health-imperative-to-ban-and-eradicate-nuclear-weapons](http://the-planetary-health-imperative-to-ban-and-eradicate-nuclear-weapons)

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**8 March 2018—16.00–17.00**

### **Global Strategic Trends**

Speaker: Simon Cole, Office of Government Commerce (an office of HM Treasury) (2000); Ministry of Defence (MOD, 2001); Assistant Head, POLAD (Political and Policy Advisor) based in Basra, Iraq (2006); business manager for the battlefield and tactical communication and information systems project team; Command Secretary (Commander British Force's chief advisor on all civil matters). Falkland Islands; currently Assistant Head (Futures) in the Development, Concept and Doctrine Centre (since September 2011).

Location: University of Queensland, Global Change Institute, Seminar Room 275, Staff House Rd ST LUCIA

The UK Ministry of Defence's Global Strategic Trends is a long-term horizon scan, which provides a context for policy-makers to make long-term decisions.

Work on the sixth edition of Global Strategic Trends is maturing and key trends are emerging from the research that will have a major impact in the decades ahead. For example, the global population will continue to grow from around 7.6 billion today to around 9.8 billion by 2050. Artificial intelligence is coming of age and the inexorable growth in computing power, connectivity and available data will mean that many mid-skilled jobs are being automated. Machines will become more capable, more efficient and cheaper. Last year China became the world's leading purchaser of industrial robots underlining the shift of economic power away from Europe and America towards Asia.

By 2050 the effects of climate change are likely to be keenly felt, with virtually ice-free summers in the Arctic, rising sea levels and catastrophic droughts in many parts of the world. Renewable energy offers the prospect of abundant, cheap, clean energy but, despite its rapid adoption, it alone will not halt climate change in the coming decades.

Further information is available via the link below:  
[trends](#)

**8 March 2018—18.00-19.00**

### **Situational Awareness: On the Ethics of Uncertainty in the Face of New Forms of Terrorism**

Speaker: Professor Susanne Krasmann, Visiting Professorial Fellow, Laureate Program in International Law, Melbourne Law School; Professor of Sociology, Institute for Criminological Research, University of Hamburg, previously a Fellow at the Straus Institute, New York University School of Law.

Location: The University of Melbourne, 102, Law Building, 1st Floor, 185 Pelham Street

As contemporary terrorism seems to be increasingly unforeseeable, the 'situation' itself has become a focus of security practices. 'Situational awareness' is characterised

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as a particular mode of attentiveness that requires sensitivity, smartness and prompt reactivity in the here-and-now of security professionals and ordinary citizens alike. The rise of situational awareness can be read as a response to the faltering promise of security in liberal democracies where recurring episodes of violent attacks have entered the heart of metropolitan life.

This lecture will discuss the implications of this turn to 'situational awareness' for the governing of urban security. It will explore how situational awareness, as an ethics of uncertainty, folds into the future-oriented logic of preparedness and pre-emption and modifies our understanding of security; how it appears as a concretisation of the otherwise elusive call to resilience and shapes urban subjectivity and collectivities; and, not least, how it refreshes our view of the social nature and operational mode of legal norms.

Further information is available via the link below:

[situational-awareness-on-the-ethics-of-uncertainty-in-the-face](#)

**8 March 2018—18.00–19.30**

### **Italian elections**

Facilitator: Professor Peter Morgan, Director, European Studies Program, The University of Sydney

Location: The University of Sydney, SLC Common Room, Room 536, Brennan MacCallum Building

This public lecture, with CESAA President Bruno Mascitelli speaking is co-hosted by the European Studies Program at the University of Sydney and CEESA, and will engage with the outcome of the Italian elections on 4 March 2018.

Exit polls had not been able to pinpoint a clear winner which would indicate some form of coalition to achieve a functional government.

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Further information is available via the link below:  
[2018-Italian-Elections-PM.docx](#)

**14 March 2018—13.00–14.00**

### **A van Gogh, a toilet, and the trumping of Trump**

Speaker: Associate Professor Clarissa Ball, Discipline Chair, History of Art, UWA School of Design and Director, UWA Institute of Advanced Studies.

Location: Lawrence Wilson Art Gallery, 5 Stirling Hwy, Crawley WA 6009

A Talking Allowed event with Associate Professor Clarissa Ball, Discipline Chair, History of Art, UWA School of Design and Director, UWA Institute of Advanced Studies.

In late 2017, Donald and Melania Trump asked the Guggenheim Museum if they could borrow a van Gogh painting for their White House private quarters. Their request was rejected and countered with an offer of Maurizio Cattelan's *America*, (2016) a fully functional 18-carat solid gold toilet that more than 100,000 people had

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already used. While some considered the Guggenheim's offer a contemptible act of profanity, others claimed that the real work of art here was the suggestion that for the Trumps, a well-used toilet that reportedly cost in excess of \$1 million to make was a more fitting artwork than a van Gogh.

This is the first of Talking Allowed of 2018, when the complexities of this incident will be explored and the question will be asked, what's the fuss? After all, the toilet as subject and object of art has a long and noble history.

'Talking Allowed' is presented by the UWA Institute of Advanced Studies and the Lawrence Wilson Art Gallery.

Further information is available via the link below:

[Talking allowed](#)

### **14 March 2018—17.30–19.30**

#### **How big is the problem of violence against women? The challenge of intersectional measurement at the global level**

Speaker: Sally Engle Merry is Silver Professor of Anthropology at New York University. She is also a Faculty Director of the Center for Human Rights and Global Justice at the New York University School of Law, and past president of the American Ethnological Society

Location: Hedley Bull Building #130, Building, 130 Garran Road, Acton ACT 2601

Until the 1970s, there was very little research on violence against women and scant information on its frequency and distribution by race, class, age, and other social characteristics. It was generally understood as a problem of the poor, caused by drinking and "life style." As the social movement against rape and domestic violence developed in many parts of the world during the 1980s, statistics on the incidence of these problems were essential in order to show that this was a pervasive and significant problem. But the demand for numbers in order to justify activism has long confronted difficult problems of how to count violence against women. The challenges include what to consider violence, how to gather data, how to encourage women to talk about their experiences with violence, and how to persuade governments to invest resources in doing this research. Criminal justice data notoriously undercounts the problem, so that victimization surveys have become the optimum strategy. There are now efforts to construct surveys at the global level in order to assess the extent of the problem. Yet global efforts confront all the above problems as well as the need to understand variations by factors such as race, poverty, disability, urban/rural residence, and age. This requires disaggregating data on the basis of intersectional categories. But what are the relevant categories and how much it will cost to add more? Moreover, the need to count incidents of violence against women contradicts the ability to understand these actions as deeply embedded in conceptions of kinship, marriage, gender, and violence as well as the trajectory of ongoing relationships. Instead,

quantification means they are seen only as isolated incidents.

This talk explores these challenges and the efforts of the United Nations to come up with a set of indicators to measure violence against women globally. While the UN effort is fraught with difficulty and ultimately misses a great deal, it also is essential in order to support the global social movement against violence against women.

Further information is available via the link below:

[how-big-is-the-problem-of-violence-against-women-the-challenge-of-intersectional-measurement](#)

### **14 March 2018—18.15–20.00**

#### **Vernacular Translators in Quattrocento Italy**

Speakers: Emeritus Professor Brian Richardson, Leeds University; Dr Andrea Rizzi, Australian Research Council Future Fellow (2014-2018). The University of Melbourne. former Fellow at The Villa I Tat

Location: The University of Melbourne, Arts Hall, Level 1, Old Arts, Parkville

Emeritus Professor Brian Richardson, Leeds University, will launch Dr Andrea Rizzi's book, Vernacular Translators in Quattrocento Italy. They will discuss the role of the early modern translator within literary culture in Italy during the 15th century, and how humanist translators went about convincing readers of the value of their work in disseminating knowledge that would otherwise be inaccessible to many.

The translators studied in this book include not only the well-known 'superstars' such as Leonardo Bruni, but also little-known and indeed obscure writers from throughout the Italian peninsula. The book has wide implications: it traces a novel history of the use of the Italian language alongside Latin in a period when high culture was bilingual. It also sheds further light on the topic of Renaissance self-fashioning, and on the workings of the patronage system, which has been studied far less in literary history than in art history. The book gives emphasis to the concept that the creation and the circulation of translations (along with other literary activities) were collaborative activities, involving dedicatees, friends and scribes, among others.

Further information is available via the link below:

[vernacular-translators-in-quattrocento-italy](#)

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**15 March 2018—13.00–14.00**

### **The Ethos of Swedish Feminist Foreign Policy**

Speaker: Dr Leila Brännström is a lecturer and researcher in Jurisprudence in the Department of Law at Lund University, Sweden.

Location: The University of Melbourne, 920, Law, Parkville, 185 Pelham Street

Three years ago, the Swedish Foreign Minister Margot Wallström declared that Swedish foreign policy would henceforth be a feminist one. The ambitions of the social democratic-dominated government to promote feminism beyond borders is seen by many commentators as a new expression of the old social democratic commitment to international solidarity, and a continuation of the 'morally' driven activist foreign policy of the social democratic Swedish governments of the 1960s and 1970s, who sided with national liberation movements around the world, protested new forms of imperial interventions and emphasised the principle of self-determination in international law.

In this seminar, Leila Brännström will discuss the research project she is conducting together with Markus Gunneflo. The project aims to highlight not only the lines of continuity with the Swedish activist foreign policies of yesteryear but also the discontinuities: what is, for example, distinctive about the current feminist foreign policy compared to previous Swedish efforts to enhance the situation of women around the world? What vision of change fuelled the 'old' activist foreign policy and which vision is driving the present one? Compliance with international law has been vital to both the 'old' and the 'new' activist foreign policy, but how is the international law that conditions today's feminist foreign policy different from the international law that structured the Swedish foreign policy activism of earlier periods? Sweden is the point of departure in this project but the Swedish case will be put in a global context in the study. In this seminar, Leila Brännström will present and discuss some of their preliminary ideas.

Further information is available via the link below:

[the-ethos-of-swedish-feminist-foreign-policy](#)

**16 March 2018—16.00–18.00**

### **Whitlam, Welfare and the World (collapse)**

Speaker: Professor Melanie Oppenheimer, Chair of History; previously positions in Australian History University of Western Sydney and the University of New England; Dean of the School of History and International Relations (July 2016 to June 2017); Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia; Professor Erik Eklund, chair in Australian history; Director, Centre for Gippsland Studies; member, Collaborative Research Centre in Australian History (CRAH); recently Keith Cameron Chair in Australian History University College Dublin (2015 to 2016); former Professor and Head of School, Monash

University, University of Newcastle, Georgetown University, Washington DC, ANU, visiting fellow; Dr Sue Vardon, AO, 23 years chief executive (CE) in federal and state government agencies; honorary doctorate, University of South Australia; adjunct professor, Canberra University and the University of South Australia

Location: Flinders University, The Hub, Level 2, Alere Function Centre, Registry Road, Bedford Park, SA, 5042, Australia

The Australian Assistance Plan (AAP) was an innovative programme of social welfare reform launched in 1973 by the Whitlam Labor government. In contrast to the many other Whitlam initiatives, it has attracted almost no scholarly analysis since the 1970s ... until now.

Come along and hear about 'the power and the passion' shared in the oral history interviews conducted as part of the ARC-funded project, 'Bold Experiment: An historical evaluation of the Australian Assistance Plan'. Chief Investigators Professor Melanie Oppenheimer and Professor Erik Eklund will reflect on the project's outcomes and focus on the oral history interviews with key AAP protagonists that were undertaken as part of the study.

Following on from this, Professor Oppenheimer will present materials from the project to Flinders University Library Special Collections staff. Both oral histories and archival materials will be added to the collection later this year, where they will sit alongside other significant political and social materials available in the Bannon Collection and the Dunstan Collection. This exciting donation of project materials to Flinders University acknowledges the long connection of university staff, such as Professor Adam Graycar, with the AAP and with social justice and social welfare work.

To conclude, Sue Vardon AO will launch the book, *The State of Welfare: Comparative studies of the Welfare State at the end of the long boom, 1965-1980*, and reflect on her own involvement in the AAP during the early 1970s. Educated as a social worker at the University of New South Wales, Sue worked in local government in metropolitan and regional NSW, holding senior positions in the NSW Department for Community Services, before moving to South Australia to become the Director General of Community Welfare. She was also the inaugural Chief Executive of Centrelink, which was established in 1997. Sue spent 23 years as a Chief Executive in both Commonwealth and State Government agencies.

Drinks and canapes will be served by Alere staff at the conclusion of the presentations.

Copies of the book will be available for purchase in the foyer adjacent the Function Centre.

Further information is available via the link below:

[whitlam-welfare-and-the-world-1](#)

**20 March 2018—18.00–19.30**

**Brexit: Law, Constitution and Market**

Speaker: Professor Richard Rawlings, Professor of Public Law, University College London; 2018 Miegunyah Distinguished Visiting Fellow.

Location: David P Derham Theatre, First Floor, Melbourne Law School, Parkville, 185 Pelham Street

Professor Richard Rawlings, will address a central yet unexplored ramification of Brexit: the construction of 'a UK single market' to facilitate domestic commerce, pave the way for international trade deals and protect national resources.

Common EU frameworks have so far provided common UK frameworks but with the advent of Brexit there is a pressing need for 're-regulation' to cover what would otherwise be a yawning gap. Construction of a common economic framework is a major challenge for any multi-level system of government, but is uniquely challenging in the UK given the continuing demands for Scottish independence, the economic as well as political circumstances on the island of Ireland, and the fusion of UK government with the government of England.

In discussing the way forward for Prime Minister May's 'global Britain', the lecture will examine the 'where', 'what' and 'how' of re-regulation via the competing perspectives of central government and the devolved administrations, as well as the Irish Government. The lecture will be of general interest, and of particular interest to those interested in law, politics, and economics.

Further information is available via the link below:  
[-brexit-law-constitution-and-market](#)

**21 March 2018—18.00–19.000**

**Between Mission and Market: International Organisations and the Private Sector**

Speaker: Professor Jan Klabbers, currently Academy Professor (Martti Ahtisaari Chair), University of Helsinki.

Location: The University of Melbourne, Ground Floor, G08, Law, 185 Pelham Street

In this lecture, Professor Jan Klabbers will explore the tension that exists between the putative public mission of intergovernmental organisations and the ways in which they relate to the private sector. In particular, he will discuss the various ways intergovernmental organisations can (and do) interact with the private sector, and place the growing awareness of private sector involvement against the background of the leading functionalist theory of the law of international organisations.

This lecture is co-hosted by the Laureate Program in International Law and the Institute for International Law and the Humanities (IILAH).

Further information is available via the link below:

**23 March 2018—18.00–19.00**

**The Decline of Parliamentary Democracy in a Post-Truth Era**

Speaker: Emeritus Professor Gillian Triggs, President of the Australian Human Rights Commission from 2012-2017; Dean of the Faculty of Law and Challis Professor of International Law, University of Sydney (2007–2012), Director, British Institute of International and Comparative Law (2005–2007)

Location: The University of Melbourne, David P. Derham Theatre, Level 1, Melbourne Law School, Parkville, 185 Pelham Street, Carlton

We are now said to live in a 'post-truth' era, where opinion is more likely to drive political outcomes than evidence, where expertise is a subject for attack, where populism, tribalism and 'retail politics' shape public discourse. There are serious concerns that, as in the 1930s, democracy itself may be under threat.

With her commitment to openness and accountability, Gillian Triggs is able to make a major contribution to this necessary debate.

The Integrity / Jim Carlton Lecture is jointly hosted by the Centre for Comparative Constitutional Studies (CCCS) at Melbourne Law School and the Accountability Round Table (ART).

Further information is available via the link below:  
[-the-decline-of-parliamentary-democracy-in-a-post-truth-era](#)

**28 March—12.30–14.00**

**World Bank report launch: Australia's Seasonal Worker Programme**

Speakers: To be confirmed

Location: ANU, Finkel Theatre, John Curtin School Of Medical Research Stage 1 #131, 131 Garran Road, Acton ACT 2601

The Seasonal Worker Programme now attracts over 6,000 workers each year from the Pacific and Timor-Leste to Australia to work on Australian farms. From 2015 to 2017, the World Bank carried out a comprehensive evaluation examining the impacts of the scheme. Its new report, Maximizing the Development Impacts from Temporary Migration: Recommendations for Australia's Seasonal Worker Programme, examines the benefits and costs of the scheme for households in the Pacific, as well as the experiences of workers in Australia, and includes recommendations for reform.

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This public forum will launch and discuss the report, with perspectives from politicians, employers, and sending countries.

Further information is available via the link below:

[world-bank-report-launch-australia%E2%80%99s-seasonal-worker-programme](#)

## Call for Papers

### **Integrating international students in local (student) communities. A theory-to-practice perspective**

**Closing date: 30 March 2018**

Call for papers special issue Journal of Comparative and International Higher Education (Winter 2019 issue); Guest editor: Christof Van Mol (Tilburg University, the Netherlands)

Over the past years, great progress has been made in research on international student mobility and migration in higher education (hereafter ISM). Nevertheless, in-depth insights into the mechanisms that foster or impede the local integration of international students remain relatively limited today. Furthermore, whereas our theoretical and empirical understanding of ISM expanded significantly, the translation of research findings into practical implications which stakeholders can use in their daily work with students are also still limited. Although 'good practices' regarding the integration of international students and/or mixing of international and national students are sometimes described, we need more in-depth analyses on what kind of practices, interventions and/or programmes work and why they work, i.e. the mechanisms/factors explaining why they are successful. Furthermore, there is little analysis of 'bad practices' in the literature and why these practices, interventions and/or programmes did not work. However, such insights are also very relevant to scholars and practitioners as they can, for example, shine light on the factors that impede integration or indicate routes which practitioners should not follow when creating integration programmes or interventions.

Given this background, contributions which investigate the integration of international higher education students in local (student) communities are invited. Particular attention should be paid to what kind of practices, interventions and/or programmes work or not, and why this is the case (i.e. the mechanisms behind it). The analyses might be situated at different levels (e.g. the classroom, housing programmes, university policies) or in different contexts, but all papers should pay particular attention to the practical implications of their findings for practitioners.

Furthermore, contributions that adopt a comparative perspective (between programmes/interventions, student groups, higher education institutions, and/or countries) are also particularly welcomed. Given the theory-to-practice focus of this special issue and the journal, full

papers are expected not to be longer than 3,500 words (references, figures, etc. included).

The Journal of Comparative and International Higher Education is a relatively new journal. It is the official journal of the Comparative and International Education Society's (CIES) Higher Education Special Interest Group (HESIG). HESIG supports development, analysis, and dissemination of theory-, policy-, and practice-related issues that influence higher education. Accordingly, the journal publishes work from the complementary fields of comparative, international, and development education addressing these issues.

Submissions: Extended abstracts of no more than 750 words including name, title, email, and institutional affiliation by 30 March 2018 at the latest. The extended abstract should include some background information, a clear description of the kind of data and analysis that will be used, and – if already available – the main (preliminary) findings. All files must be submitted in word format to Christof Van Mol ([C.VanMol@uvt.nl](mailto:C.VanMol@uvt.nl)). All authors will be informed on whether their abstract is accepted before 27 April 2018. Full papers (with a maximum of 3,500 words) are expected mid-August 2018, in order to submit them for anonymous peer review before September 2018. The special issue will be published in the Winter 2019 issue of the Journal of Comparative and International Higher Education.

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### **Eurint 2018 International Conference: Reflecting on Europe's (dis)order: scenarios for the EU's future**

**Closing date: 31 March 2018**

Location: Iasi, Romania, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University

EURINT 2018, 18-19 May, will be focused on the unprecedented challenges that European Union has faced (Brexit, the rise of populism, the devaluation of EU-USA relations) which have represented both a test and an alarm sign for future threats. These challenges have shifted the ordinary political and economic paradigms and have created a new state of affairs for the EU, as well as for its partners. Therefore, new policies are required to help address the urgent economic, political and social challenges. Current strategies are being questioned while new perspectives of the European and global economy are emerging.

The two-day conference features exciting academic program with renowned international experts and keynote lectures.

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databases) or in the Conference Proceedings (indexed in Thomson Reuters).

Further information is available via the links below:

[Eurint\\_1](#), [Eurint\\_2](#)

## Conferences

### National

**21–26 July 2018**

#### **Borders and Margins—25<sup>th</sup> IPSA World Congress of Political Science**

Location: Brisbane

The Congress will integrate the annual conference of the Australian Political Studies Association and the biennial Oceanic Conference on International Studies.

The Congress theme is Borders and Margins. The acceleration of globalisation and the consequences of the 9/11 terrorist attacks have had profound effects on borders. These include empirical borders, such as state, regional, security and “glocal” boundaries, and also conceptual ones, such as social, cultural, economic, religious, ethnic, sexual and linguistic distinctions that discipline and divide human populations through identity politics and bio-political management.

These borders create margins, through which administrative and military bureaucracies, as well as NGOs, activists, “networks” and more-or-less organized criminals and terrorists operate, empirically and conceptually. Borders between recognized states, de-facto states, sub-states, occupied territories and supra-national governance authorities are spatial creations defined through lines that separate one country, state, province, zone, “union” etc. from another, while borderlands appear to be critical zones at the margins of state control and governing institutions.

However, borders are not simply territorial lines. They have a dynamic character arising from their formal or informal functions and impacts. At a time when entire regions have been destabilized by the implosion of borders – often imposed by former and current imperialisms rather than arising through freely negotiated or democratic means – these margins are now conflict zones and flash points in national and international politics. Such conflicts and controversies are currently presenting very serious challenges to the international governance of human rights derived from the Universal Declaration of 1948, which reaches its 70th anniversary in 2018.

The evolution of information technologies has transformed the traditional “border as a barrier” by virtually enclosing people into groups with common identities and interests. These groups are dispersed throughout the globe, and so lack any form of territorial compactness or contiguity. Electronic “connectedness”

challenges the imposition of physical barriers, bureaucratized checks and migration controls in starkly political terms. The challenges posed by these global developments – which make headline news when violence erupts or powerful politicians are exposed – invite us to explore the fundamental dynamics of inclusion and exclusion under an all-encompassing theme “Borders and Margins.”

Along with those who constitute the current majority/minority or other identity “mix” within a state, there are also those caught in marginal zones, such as immigrant groups that are physically “inside” but are said by some not to “belong.” They are typically central to a politics of multiculturalism/cosmopolitanism, or nationalism/assimilation, or expulsion/genocide. The politics of “Borders and Margins” has a common centre of gravity: that of “otherness” or “otherisation,” which, in turn, determines the borders and creates marginalizations. It is these practices which further determine inequalities of wealth and power, now very extreme in global terms. “Borders and Margins” offers participants in IPSA’s 25th World Congress broad scientific possibilities within the ethical dimensions through which the discipline operates.

These conjunctions of empirical activities and conceptual claims generate new methodologies in cognate disciplines that political scientists are keen to adopt. The Congress theme should be taken to include further perspectives including history, geography, international relations, international law, philosophy, sociology, political psychology, cultural studies, feminist and gender studies, queer perspectives, security studies and similarly engaged forms of scientific enquiry. In these fields there are crucial debates on sovereignty and identity, rights and obligations, just and unjust warfare and “interventions,” democratic theory and practice, and international governance, among other areas of concern.

Further information is available via the link below:

[2018 IPSA Congress](#)

### International

**23-27 April 2018**

#### **16th Dubrovnik Jean Monnet Seminar ‘Advanced Issues of European Law’**

##### **‘Blame it on Brussels – EU Law and Distributive Effects of Globalisation’**

Location: Inter University Center, Dubrovnik

The 16th session of the Dubrovnik Seminar will focus on the topic “Blame it on Brussels – EU Law and Distributive Effects of Globalisation”.

Paper proposals may cover a variety of areas focusing on two questions raised by the recent political events, particularly Brexit, which shed doubt on the traditional legal narrative of EU integration as beneficial to most

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citizens. First, did EU Law cause or accentuate any inequality in Europe (e.g. for low skilled labour), or are such inequalities the result of different causes (e.g. globalisation, technical progress) and, second, how could the EU address such inequality and make the positive sides of integration and its contribution to equality more visible?

The Seminar entails two parts - lectures by prominent EU law professors and members of the Court of Justice of the EU and research presentations by PhD candidates and junior academics.

The Dubrovnik Seminar is organized by the EU Law Department of the University of Zagreb Faculty of Law.

Further information is available via the link below:

[Dubrovnik\\_2018](#)

### 16-18 May 2018

#### Protecting and Projecting Europe

Location: Brussels, Belgium

In the current difficult environment, will the EU be able to protect its citizens while also projecting its values into the world? In what ways has the EU's international role and standing been subject to change? We invite paper abstracts and panel proposals (deadline 23 October) for the sixth European Union in International Affairs (#EUIA18) conference (16 - 18 May 2018 in Brussels), a multidisciplinary biannual event at which international studies scholars and policy practitioners debate the role of the EU in the turbulent realm of international affairs. In 2018 it will focus on the theme of 'Protecting and Projecting Europe'. We look forward to receiving your fascinating abstracts and proposals!

Further information is available via the link below:

[Protecting & Projecting Europe](#)

### 18-19 May 2018

#### EURINT 2018 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE: Reflecting on Europe's (dis)order: scenarios for the EU's future

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During the two-day conference, an exciting academic programme, featuring renowned international experts and keynote lectures, will be offered to our participants: PhD candidates, post-doc fellows, researchers, civil

society activists, NGO representatives, consultants, policy advocates and many more.

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[Eurint\\_1](#)

[Eurint\\_2](#)

### 21-22 May 2018

#### Current Populism in Europe: Culture, History, Identity

Location: Prague, Czech Republic

The conference is dedicated to the claim to represent the "will of the people", the rejection of "elites", the concept of "a glorious past", nationalist narratives, and a certain understanding of identity and culture promulgated by populist parties, leaders and movements across Europe. In order to fully understand the goals and successes of these actors in European politics, it is essential to look at the respective historical context in which they have emerged and to analyse their politics of history and culture. Within the scope of the 4th Prague Populism Conference, the organisers encourage applicants to submit papers on the following issues:

- Populism in historical and cultural perspective
- The use of historical and nationalist narratives in populist communication
- Comparative studies of current populist parties and movements in Europe
- Populism and the politics of identity

Further information is available via the link below:

[populism Europe](#)

### 13-15 June 2018

#### Bringing IR back in: The European Union and the world

Location: Paris, France

The series of crisis Europe went through in the last decade had significant implications from an International Relations perspective. They have put the EU's foreign policy system and its external relations under significant pressure, challenging the EU's role and its ways of conducting its policies in the world. Maybe more deeply, they also revealed important discontent among public opinions and tensions between the member-states. International cooperation among EU countries, and between the EU and the World, will remain a persisting challenge for the years to come.

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Externally, the multiplication of hotspots ranging from Libya to Syria and Ukraine, the refugee crisis, tensions with Russia and Turkey, and the destabilisation brought by the Trump administration in the transatlantic relationships are some of the most pressing questions that the EU has to deal with internationally. Internally, the Euro-crisis and more recently, Brexit, have created tensions and uncertainty in the EU's project in general, and will entail repercussions on the entire EU's system of international relations. At the same time, however, these crises also offer opportunities for change and revision, as, for example, some moves in the field of defence cooperation seem to suggest.

In this challenging and continuously changing environment, scholars are invited to explore numerous empirical developments as well as to enrich their theoretical toolkit to explain relations between the member states and European foreign policies. This section aims to bring back the attention on International Relations theories and Foreign Policy Analysis approaches in the study of old and new puzzles in EU studies, and to the contribution that the study of European foreign policies gives to the development of IR and FPA. Traditional perspectives as well as newer approaches focusing on practices, narratives, emotions etc., which have gained traction in the IR and FPA literatures, are welcome to offer new insights on International Relations in and of the EU. This section invites panels and papers considering these aspects, from a variety of theoretical, methodological and disciplinary perspectives

Further information is available via the links below:

[IR](#)  
[IR\\_2](#)

### **28–29 June 2018**

#### **2018 EUSA AP Annual Conference: The Future of the EU and European Integration in the Aftermath of Crisis**

The 2018 EUSA AP Annual Conference and Postgraduate Student workshop will be held in Taipei on Thursday 28 and Friday 29 June 2018. The Postgraduate Workshop will take place on Day 1 and Postgraduate students are encouraged to attend the conference on Day 2.

Since the outbreak of sovereign debt crisis in Greece in 2010, the EU as a whole has been confronted by a series of crises both internal and external. Though some of these crises have yet to be resolved, the EU has proved resilient and even been able to promote the integration process further, through initiatives such as the Banking Union and closer defence cooperation, which had been unimaginable a decade ago. Elections in the Netherlands, France and Germany in 2017 have addressed rising extremism, nationalism and Euro-skepticism although the consequences of Brexit remain unresolved.

It is time to rethink the future of the EU and European integration as a whole. The conference will discuss research findings on sub-themes in relation to the future

of the EU and European integration and its impact upon global governance and the world order.

Asia Pacific countries have significant connections with Europe and the EU. Therefore, any changes in European politics and EU policies will affect the regions. Consequently, EUSA AP see it as timely to hold a conference focused on the future of European integration in the aftermath of crises since 2010. Is there more continuity or change in the EU - Asia Pacific relationship? How do different groups perceive the EU and is there any change in its relationship to the region?

The conference seeks to discuss the following sub-themes in greater detail:

- The Future of EU External Relations - CFSP, CSDP, Trade and Development
- The Future of the EU Global Strategy, Normative Power and Principled Pragmatism
- The Future Relationship between the EU and the Great Power
- The Future Relationship between the UK and the EU
- The Future of EU-Asia Pacific Relations
- Debates over the Finality of the European Integration process
- Future enlargements
- The Future of European Neighborhood Policies
- The Future EU Agenda for Global Governance
- Culture and the Future of European Integration

The aim is to investigate these topics from both, a European and an Asia Pacific perspective. The conference will be multi-disciplinary in focus. As relationships are not single-faceted, we aim to pool expertise from a wide range of fields to develop a deeper understanding of the complexities of the relationships and understand the broad range of areas that can be impacted by international political and economic issues. The EUSA AP is by nature multi-disciplinary and previous conferences have drawn together experts from disciplines such as History, Political Science, Law, Economics, Sociology, Geography and Cultural & Language Studies. With this conference we invite participants from other disciplines in the Social Sciences and Humanities to join us.

Further information is available via the link below:

[28-2018-eussap-cfp](#)

### **3-5 September 2018**

#### **UACES 48th Annual Conference**

Bath, United Kingdom

A three-day interdisciplinary conference covering all aspects of European Studies, at which over 450 research papers will be presented.

Please note: call for papers opens in October 2017.

Further information is available via the link below:

<http://uaces.org/events/conferences/bath/>

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## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### Other

#### Horizon 2020

##### **Closing date: project dependent**

Horizon 2020, the 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. Participants from countries associated to the EU research framework program have the same rights as EU participants; for other countries, the situation varies.

Further information is available via the links below:

[horizon2020](#)

#### Erasmus+ Programme—2018

##### **Closing date: project dependent**

The 2018 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 link below:

[2018-erasmus-call-guide-published\\_en](#)

## CESAA MEMBERSHIP

### 2018 CESAA Membership

Individual, student and institutional memberships to CESAA for 2018 are now available

For further information on joining CESAA, including the membership form, see the CESAA website at [cesaa.org.au](http://cesaa.org.au)

## CONTRIBUTIONS

Please forward any items you would like considered for inclusion in the next issue of the CESAA Bulletin to [info@cesaa.org.au](mailto:info@cesaa.org.au) by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

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