

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

LISBOAN PhD School

***Beyond the Crisis –
The Institutional Politics of the European Union***

Maastricht, 8-12 April 2013

Place & date:

The PhD School will take place in Maastricht, Netherlands, on 8-12 April 2013.

Application deadline: 19 February 2012

Description & aim:

The PhD Summer School will focus on the institutional politics of the European Union (EU), with particular focus on the challenges arising from the Lisbon Treaty reforms and the responses to the sovereign debt crisis in the Eurozone. However, the scope is purposefully broad and open to anyone working on institutional aspects of EU governance. Invited speakers will share with participants insights from their ongoing research, with guest lectures addressing a diverse range of topics such as the reform of financial services regulation in the EU, the rise of European-level agencies, the role of national parliaments in the EU or the implications of the Eurozone crisis for the Union. Research skills workshops will address topics such as “how to complete a PhD” and “How to get published”.

The purpose of the PhD school is to bring together PhD candidates from the participating institutions of the LISBOAN network in order to discuss the theoretical, empirical and research-strategic issues on the subject matter. Additionally, the purpose is to support PhD-students in furthering their research projects. The PhD School is aimed at political science PhD students from various sub-disciplines including EU-studies, international relations, comparative politics, and public administration. A maximum of 15 PhD students may participate and they should preferably be at least one year into their studies.

Sponsors:

The event is organised in the context of the **LISBOAN Erasmus Academic Network** (www.lisboan.net) which is also providing financial support for this activity.

See <http://www.lisboan.net/12574.html> for a list of all LISBOAN partner institutions.

Organisation:

The academic director and local organiser of the PhD School is Prof. Thomas Christiansen, Jean Monnet Professor of European Institutional Politics at Maastricht University (t.christiansen@maastrichtuniversity.nl).

Fees & grants:

The participation fee is **€200**. This includes participation in the school, accommodation in single rooms at the conference hotel, lunch as well as coffee/tea during the breaks. Please note that depending on the funding available, fees may be reduced or fully waived for participants from member institutions of the LISBOAN Erasmus Academic Network (<http://www.lisboan.net/12574.html>)

Travel costs (travel from the location of the respective LISBOAN partner institution to Maastricht and back) will be reimbursed up to a ceiling of 400 EUR per person.

Structure:

Selected doctoral candidates will present their own work in the afternoons, whereas invited academics will give lectures and conduct skills workshops in the mornings. The PhD summer school will run for 5 days and follow the pattern below.

Provisional Schedule

Monday (8/04/2013) - Friday (12/04/2013)

09.30 - 11.00 11.30 - 13.00 13.00 - 14.30 14.30 - 18.00

Monday Arrival and welcome

Tuesday (guest) speaker (guest) speaker lunch break PhD presentations

Wednesday (guest) speaker (guest) speaker lunch break PhD presentations

Thursday (guest) speaker (guest) speaker lunch break PhD presentations

Friday (guest) speaker (guest) speaker lunch break PhD presentations departure

Among the confirmed speakers are:

- Prof. Tannelie Blom (Maastricht University)
- Prof. Sergio Fabbrini (LUISS University, Rome)
- Prof. Meltem Müftüleri (Sabancı University, Istanbul)
- Dr Christine Neuhold (Maastricht University)
- Dr Aneta Spendzarova (Maastricht University)

How to apply:

Please submit a single PDF file containing

- a cover letter describing your motivation to participate (1 page max.)
- A brief outline of your PhD project (3-4 pages max.)

by **19 February 2013** to the LISBOAN project manager (tobias.kunstein@uni-koeln.de). We will inform you about the results of the selection procedure by 22 February 2013 at the latest.

For more information please see also www.lisboan.net or contact:

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