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Chair's Column | Nicholas Startin

Dear UACES Colleagues,

As I write, what is my last column as Chair, I am very pleased to report that final preparations are afoot for our [Annual Conference](#) which takes place from the 6th until the 8th of

September. As last year the event will take place virtually rather than

in Liverpool as originally planned. It's fantastic to see the range of research panels on offer and to note that almost 400 delegates have already registered. Look out for the excellent Plenaries we have planned, one on the Future of Europe which features our new UACES Patrons and one on the Northern Ireland protocol which has a range of excellent speakers. I am also delighted to announce that this year's Keynote lecture (which will be the JCMS

Annual Review Lecture) will be given by the former High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, and the current Rector of the College of Europe, Federica Mogherini.

My congratulations to the [Graduate Forum \(GF\) committee](#) whose annual conference took place virtually in June. There were some excellent panels and plenaries including a very informative [mentoring session](#) with senior UACES colleagues and a brilliant and thought-provoking Keynote discussion on [Gender and LGBTQIA+ Identities in the Academic World](#) chaired by GF Chair Dr Olga Litvyak.

Can I also draw members' attention to the [call for papers for a special section of JCER](#) as part of our ongoing Jean Monnet funded DIMES project? The deadline for this is the 31st of August. We have also just launched the call for the next round of [Research Networks](#) for which the deadline is the 29th of October.

My thanks as ever to the editors of our various journals and our book series for all of their continued hard work and commitment. As my term as Chair comes to an end, I would personally like to congratulate Dr Toni Haastrup and Professor Richard Whitman, as they move into their last year as editors, for everything they have done for JCMS.

I'd like to end this message by saying a big thank you to all UACES members for your support and loyalty to the association during my three years as Chair. I stated in my pitch to become Chair back in 2018 that my top priority was to 'bring equality and diversity more fully into UACES' aims and objectives' and I would like to thank everyone who has helped to advance this endeavour – in particular, the members of the EDI working group and Dr Katharine Wright and Professor Roberta Guerrina in their roles as EDI Officers.

Finally, I would like to wish Professor Simon Usherwood all the very best as the incoming Chair of UACES. I have known Simon as both a research colleague and a friend for over 20 years and I am sure that he will be an outstanding ambassador for the association. We recently recorded a short '[In Conversation](#)' [podcast](#) together where we discussed the role of Chair, the challenges ahead as well as my apparently poor sense of direction at conferences!

It's been an honour to be the Chair of such a brilliant association and I look forward to seeing you at the virtual conference next month and in person in Lille in a year's time!

All the best,

Nick Startin, UACES Chair

[Read the full Chair's message on the UACES blog](#)

[Events Calendar](#)

Browse upcoming (online) events worldwide in European Studies.

During this unprecedented time we are trying to remain as accurate as possible and update events when they are cancelled or moved online.

Calendar



UACES 51st Annual Conference 2021, 6-8 September

It's not too late to register!

All papergivers, chairs and panel organisers need to register for the conference, simply log in with your existing ConfTool credentials to register.

We also invite registrations for audience members who would like to listen to a range of panels. If you are not a papergiver, please create a [ConfTool account](#) and register for the conference.

Register

What to expect at our 51st Annual Conference:

Plenary sessions

Plenary 1: The Future of Europe with Dr Rosa Balfour (Carnegie Europe), Prof Helen Drake (Loughborough University London), Vincent Herr (author, activist, and speaker), Shada Islam (Independent EU Commentator and Visiting Professor at the College of Europe in Natolin) and Prof Brigid Laffan (European University Institute), chaired by Paul Adamson (EU-UK Forum).

Plenary 2: The Northern Ireland Protocol: Its Impact on the Island of Ireland and why it's important for EU scholars with Claire Hanna MP, Dr Mary Murphy (University College Cork), Prof David Phinnemore (Queen's University Belfast), Dr Lisa Claire Whitten (Queen's University Belfast), chaired by Dr Kathryn Simpson (Manchester Metropolitan University).



Local Meetups

As we cannot see everyone face-to-face, we would like to bring together small local groups instead. Find your local meetup [here](#) and sign up to a meetup close to you by 25 August 2021.

Conference Workout and Wellbeing

We know how important it is to take screen breaks and get steps in each day. So, we will mix in breaks and recorded workout sessions.

Short recordings on ***Digestion and Food***, ***Sleep*** and ***Training and Health*** will provide you with insights on how to create a healthy lifestyle by taking different topics into consideration. Find out more [here](#).

Networking

What would be a conference without networking opportunities? We will have a dedicated networking space available during the conference. Take the opportunity to meet researcher, colleagues and friends from across the globe. More on the [conference webpage](#).

DIMES



Call for abstracts for ‘Disrupting European Studies’: Special Section in JCER

As part of the [DIMES](#) Project, [UACES](#) and [ESA-SSA](#) are pleased to announce a Call for Abstracts for an innovative Special Section of UACES’s journal [JCER](#) devoted to new approaches and voices seeking to disrupt European studies.

We welcome abstract submissions from academics at all career stages - especially Early-Career Researchers, scholars from historically excluded backgrounds in academia, scholars from the Global South as well as scholars whose work focuses on perspectives, topics and approaches that have been overlooked in the discipline.

We particularly welcome abstracts considering the intersection between European Studies and decolonisation, the contribution of Global South scholarship to European studies, or the study of relations between Europe and the Global South from a non-Eurocentric perspective.

Submissions should be made by email by 31 August 2021.

Find out more

Research Network Funding

We're pleased to invite applications for new UACES-funded Research Networks (UACES RNs). The UACES RN funding stream aims to enable researchers to develop networks across a range of institutions, which may perhaps lead to bigger projects and funding from other sources in the future.

Deadline for applications: 29 October 2021

UACES Research Networks (with the support of the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union):

Applications are invited for two new Research Networks to run from 2022-2025 on any topic in contemporary European Studies. See more about the assessment criteria by [downloading the application pack](#).

UACES-JMCT Research Network on Federalism and Europe

Applications are invited for one new Research Network to run from 2022-2025 on the topic of federalism, federal governance or regionalism in Europe, in line with the objects of the [James Madison Charitable Trust \(JMCT\)](#), broadly conceived. This RN will be generously supported by the JMCT.

The assessment criteria, finances, requirements and application process is the same for both kinds of RNs, but please state in your application if you would like to be considered for the UACES-JMCT RN.

[Learn more](#)

European Studies Society Funding

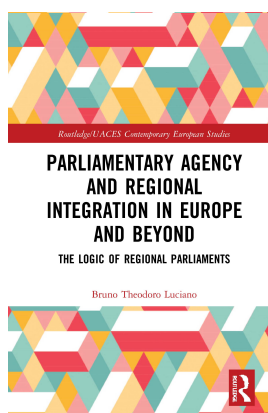


Upcoming deadline: 1 September 2021

This new funding opportunity is directed at our Student Members. UACES offers support for university societies or groups related to the study of Europe with funding of up to £300.

[Learn more](#)

New Routledge Publications



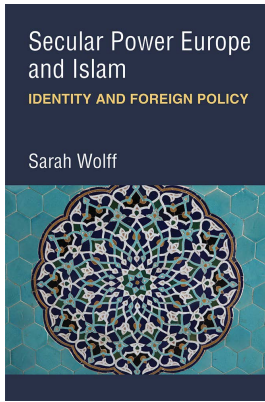
Routledge UACES Contemporary European Studies series
**Parliamentary Agency and Regional
Integration in Europe and Beyond**

by Bruno Theodoro Luciano

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Other Publications



Michigan University Press
Secular Power Europe and Islam

by Sarah Wolff



Beyond Medicine
Why European Social Democracies Enjoy Better Health Outcomes Than the United States
 Paul V. Dutton



DISPOSSESSION AND DISSENT
Algeria and the Struggle for Housing in Madrid
 Sophie L. Gonick



FAITH NATIONALISM AND THE FUTURE OF LIBERAL DEMOCRACY
 David M. Elcott, C. Colt Anderson, Tobias Cremer, Volker Haarmann



THE IDENTITARIANS
The Movement against Globalism and Islam in Europe
 José Pedro Zúquete



IMPOSING STANDARDS
The North-South Dimension to Global Tax Politics
 Martin Hearson



THE LANGUAGE OF POLITICAL INCORPORATION
CHINESE MIGRANTS IN EUROPE
 Amy Liu

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From Member to Member

CfP, collaborations and exchange amongst the UACES community

Appointments:

Paul James Cardwell – Professor of Law, City, University of London

Heidi Maurer – Researcher, Danube University Krems

*If you have CfP or collaborations to share for the next newsletter,
please email admin@uaces.org*

Resources and Multimedia



In Conversation:

*Professor Simon Usherwood
and Dr Nicholas Startin*



After three years as Chair of UACES, Dr Nicholas Startin met incoming Chair, Professor Simon Usherwood to talk about the duties of the role, share their memories of previous

conferences and explain what role UACES has played in their career.

Thank you Dr Nicholas Startin for being a dedicated Chair of UACES and leading the association through the pandemic. We are delighted to welcome Professor Simon Usherwood as Chair who will be taking up the role in September 2021.

Listen to the podcast



Graduate Forum Conference

Did you miss the Graduate Forum conference or would like to see some of the main sessions again?

For recordings, podcasts and other resources, visit the [multimedia page on our website](#).

For blog posts written by presenters, follow the Graduate Forum blog [Crossroads Europe on Ideas on Europe](#).

Conference Playlist



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IACES-UACES Second Joint Seminar

In this seminar, we sought to confront racism in Ireland, the UK and the EU. In this recording, Dr Neema Begum (University of Manchester), Dr Amanullah de Soudy (University College Cork), Shada Islam (Independent EU Commentator), Kékéli Kpognon (Quaker Council for European Affairs), Bashir Otukoya (Dublin City University) interrogated its political, social and cultural consequences and explored possibilities for transformation. Chaired by Dr Jonathan Evershed (IACES and University College Cork).

Watch the video



To Blog or not to Blog... Why Academic Blogging is Helpful for your Career

UACES intern Jana McCloskey-Gholikhany outlines the importance and benefits of academic blogging in a new resource article. Why should an academic take the time to blog?

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