

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### JEAN MONNET INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

#### **“Decade after the EU ‘big bang’ enlargement: future perspectives of the enlargement process”**

University of Zagreb's Faculty of Political Science, in association with the scientific journal *Political Perspectives*, and with the support of the European Commission, Jean Monnet Programme of the European Union, has a distinct honor of inviting you to submit your paper proposal for the upcoming international conference “*Decade after the EU ‘big bang’ enlargement: future perspectives of the enlargement process*”.

#### CONFERENCE TOPIC INFORMATION

The big bang enlargement of the European Union to 10 new member states (mostly from Central and Eastern Europe) occurred a decade ago. It was a political step of great importance, and one which was analyzed extensively. Those analyses produced significant insights in the functioning of political processes both in the EU, as well as within individual states. Those insights might be important to understand the further enlargement of the EU.

We invite you to submit your papers that focus on the link between political reforms in candidate countries, potential candidate countries, and the enlargement policy of the EU. We also welcome papers that deal with the influence of the enlargement process on the states of the Eastern partnership, as well on any other European state that is influenced by the EU enlargement policy. Influence of enlargement on existing and new policies of the European Union as a topic of the paper is greatly welcomed as well.

General conference topics:

- Evaluation of the European integration process in the Western Balkans
- Political reforms in candidate countries and influence of enlargement process
- Influence of the EU enlargement policy on European states
- EU Enlargement process and the Eastern Partnership

#### PROPOSAL INFORMATION

Prospective applicants should send a 300-500 word abstract (in either English, Croatian or Serbian), with the title of their paper, as well as the contact information and affiliation of all the authors, by 10 May 2015, to Dario Cepo, PhD at [dcepo@pravo.hr](mailto:dcepo@pravo.hr). Applicants will be notified by 15 May 2015 if they were accepted or not.

The conference will be held at the Faculty of Political Science in Zagreb, 5 June 2015. The language of the conference is English.

## PUBLISHING INFORMATION

After the conference, the papers presented will be peer-reviewed and published in the scientific journal *Političke perspektive (Political Perspectives)*, as a part of special issue. *Političke perspektive (Political Perspectives)*, is a peer-reviewed journal, published in cooperation between the University of Belgrade's Faculty of Political Science, and University of Zagreb's Faculty of Political Science. All accepted papers will be reviewed anonymously. We will accept final papers written in Croatian, Serbian or English.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

### DEADLINES:

- 10 May 2015: Deadline for submission of abstracts
- 15 May 2015: Notification of acceptance
- 5 June 2015: Conference
- 10 September 2015: Final paper submission for the special issue of *Political Perspectives*

## ORGANIZERS

The conference is organized by the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Political Science, as an activity within the Module Jean Monnet “Europeanization of the Western Balkans“ (project coordinator Nataša Beširević, PhD) .

Faculty of Political Science, where the conference will be held, is situated in Lepušićeva 6, Zagreb. Details about the conference will be provided after the panels are completed.

## FEES, TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

There is no participation fee for the conference. Accommodation and meals during the conference will be paid for by the organizers for one presenter of each accepted paper. There are available funds for covering the travel costs.

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