Dear Colleagues,

This is the fifth time I am writing to you all, the Research Committee 26 on human rights members, in my capacity as Chairman. The purpose of this message is informing to the current Research Committee members of the developments that have been taken place in the past six months within the Committee, and providing information to all those IPSA members who are interested in conducting research on human rights.

Last six months were the time of the first wave of pandemic, therefore all events took place at on-line format only. During this time one event was organized in framework of our RC26 activity, between 16 July- 4 August 2020, a Webinar on the “Struggles for recognition: Cultural diversity and rights of minorities” was held online. The Webinar boasts panels of international experts divided into the key topics. Each panel will discuss papers, which will be distributed in advance to the participants. You can see more information about this event later in this newsletter. This event took place due to the efforts of Oscar Pérez de la Fuente, Secretary of our RC26.

I would like, also, to inform you that a brochure with material discussion of Russian human rights defenders, experts and academicians “Human Rights — XXI century” (https://hrdco.org/wp-content/uploads/sbornik_eng_online.pdf) was

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-plex and constantly changing realities of the 21st century that require a constant reflection on the human rights notion, an analysis of the problems and challenges of this concept arising today, as well as proposals and discussions on its creative development. The seminar participants are representatives of the academic community and human rights defenders-practitioners, which consider the human rights universality as an important achievement of human thought and development of the best traditions of liberalism. At the same time, they do not regard it as a frozen dogmatic teaching. That is why they decided to discuss together the urgent problems of the human rights universality concept and the challenges that this concept faces in the 21st century.

I hope that one of the focus of our future research will be devoted to the possible influence of pandemic to the future characteristics of our world. What will this new world or world of new sovereigntism or world with new kind of solidarity be? I think, that now some kind of New ‘new thinking’ is needed for all responsible representatives of international expert community.

I hope the RC26 members will take these issues in focus on their research interests

Alexander Sungurov
04 October 2020
Important deadlines

.- 01 September 2020:

Call for Proposals Opens for WC2021

.- 15 October 2020:

Deadline for 2020 program participants to cancel their participation in the 2021 Congress Program
Deadline to register and receive a bonus 1-year IPSA membership

.- 20 October 2020:

Proposal Submission Deadline: Papers and Closed Panels for WC2021

.- 05 November 2020:

Review of Paper and Panel Proposals Begins

.- 20 November 2020:

Deadline to Review Papers (and complete panels) for Panel Convenors

.- 10 December 2020:

Deadline to review Paper and Panel Proposals for Session Chairs
Deadline to re-organize and finalize all panels in the session
10 January 2021:

**Deadline to Review Papers and Panels for Program Chairs (Final review)**

22 January 2021:

**Proposal Acceptance/Rejection Notifications**  
(sent by e-mail to the individual who submitted the proposal)

18 March 2021:

**Early-bird Registration Deadline**

01 April 2021:

**Registration Deadline to Appear in the Printed Program**  
Deadline to edit paper and panel proposals  
Deadline to add chairs, discussants and co-authors to proposals

27 April 2021:

**Final Registration Deadline for all Panelists**  
Participants not registered are withdrawn from the Congress Program

20 June 2021:

**Deadline to Upload Full Paper**

10-14 July 2021:

**IPSA World Congress, Lison, Portugal**
26th WORLD CONGRESS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, LISBON, PORTUGAL 10-14 July 2021

FAQ (Frequent Asked Question)

Congress roles

Each individual may only participate in the Congress Program once in each of the following roles: chair, co-chair, discussant, author, co-author. An individual may therefore appear in the program up to 5 times in a different role.

A participant may present up to two papers, but in two different roles, one as main author and the other one as co-author. (Should more than one of your proposals be accepted, only 1 will be accepted in the final program and any others rejected. You will have the choice to choose the proposal you wish to keep or appoint your co-author as the main author.)

Papers acceptance deadline

As of 22 January 2021 email notifications with the review status are sent to individuals who submitted a proposal for a paper or panel. Accepted panels will be posted online after this date. You may also refer to the Review Timeline for paper and panel proposals or the Important Dates page to view key deadlines.

Postponned Congress and cancelation of papers

The theme of the Congress and all accepted panels and papers will be maintained in the 2021 Congress program. If you already know that you are not able to attend the 2021 Congress, it is important you cancel your participation by 15 October 2020 by writing to wc2021@ipsa.org.
We appreciate your patience in waiting for the next update on 30 April before contacting the IPSA Congress team as we are currently working on developing new procedures and timelines for 2021. After this date, feel free to contact us at the following email addresses:

For questions about Congress program or registration, email wc2021@ipsa.org

For questions about membership, email membership@ipsa.org

For general IPSA inquiries, email info@ipsa.org

Complete information in the World Congress website, by clicking this link:

https://wc2021.ipsa.org/wc/home

CALL FOR INFORMATION: HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTES

We are interested in establishing links with Human Rights Institutes around the world. We would like to obtain the name of contact person, their email and Institute website. This information will be used to foster networking and will be distributed to the persons whose contact information has been provided.

If you are a member of a Human Rights Institute, please send an email with the contact details to:

Alexander Sungurov asungurov@mail.ru and Oscar Pérez de la Fuente oscar.perez@uc3m.es
VIDEOS OF THE INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR ON THE “STRUGGLES FOR RECOGNITION: CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND RIGHTS OF MINORITIES”

Between 16 July-4 August 2020, a Webinar on the “Struggles for recognition: Cultural diversity and rights of minorities” was held online. The Webinar boasts panels of international experts divided into the key topics. Each panel will discuss papers, which will be distributed in advance to the participants.

Participants were connected through Carlos III University of Madrid’s online platform. The topics have been the following:

a) National minorities. Immigration.
   c) Gender minorities. Women. LGBT.
   d) Marginalised people (or marginalised groups).
   e) Theoretical and methodological approaches.

You can see the abstracts, the program or the CV of participants, by clicking this link:


You can see the videos of the session, by clicking the following link:


The great majority of the papers of this webinar will be published in a book of the Collection Pluralism and Minorities of Dykinson Editorial in 2020.

You can see the provisional website of the Pluralism and Minorities Collection by clicking this link:

http://coleccionpluralismoyminorias.webphilosophia.com
The International Political Science Association (IPSA), in partnership with Concordia University and in collaboration with the Konrad Adenauer Foundation (KAS) and the Greater-Montreal and Quebec branches of the United Nations Association in Canada, is holding a virtual conference on 19-21 October on the Challenges and Prospects for the Future of Multilateralism to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations.

During the three-day conference, prominent experts, diplomats and academics will deliberate on various topics and issues including: Environmental Governance and Climate Change; International Development and Humanitarian Crises; Fighting Inequality and Gender-based Violence; the International Multilateral Trade System; Demographic Growth and International Migration; and the Impact of Digital Technologies on Global Governance.

Conference Highlights

Prominent Special Keynote and Distinguished Speakers
A three-day conference with virtual access to all 12 sessions
The conference platform is user and mobile friendly and accessible on all devices including tablets, smartphones and internet browsers
Listen to the presentations and join the Q&A chat to engage with the speakers
IPSA members enjoy a reduced fee

For more information about the speakers, program and registration, please visit the conference page.
Visit the Conference Page

Conference website
Amongst our Confirmed Special Keynote Speakers

H.E. Bob Rae, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the UN  
Dr. Marianne Kneuer, President of IPSA  
Dr. Graham Carr, President and Vice-Chancellor, Concordia University  
Mr. Lutz Feldt, Vice Admiral (ret.) of the German Navy  
Dr. Rohinton P. Medhora, President, Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI)

Amongst our Confirmed Distinguished Speakers

H.E. Louise Blais, Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative of Canada to the UN  
Dr. Bertrand Badie, SciencesPo Paris  
Dr. Maria Teresa Gutiérrez-Haces, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México  
Mr. Guy Saint-Jacques, Former Canadian Ambassador for Climate Change  
Mrs. Rasha Jarhum, Co-founder and Director of the Peace Track Initiative  
Dr. Juan Tokatlian, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella in Buenos Aires  
Dr. Michèle Rioux, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)  
Dr. Christopher Isike, University of Pretoria, South Africa  
Dr. Cameron G. Thies, Arizona State University

How to Attend the Conference?

Please note that registration is required to attend this conference. IPSA Individual Members benefit from a reduced registration fee to attend the conference. IPSA student members can register for FREE! Only current IPSA members receive this benefit. To become an IPSA member or renew your membership, please visit our membership page.

If you have any questions, please contact us at events@ipsa.org.
Call for Papers

The Age of Human Rights Journal

http://revistaselectronicas.ujaen.es/index.php/TAHRJ

The Human Rights Age Journal is a scientific journal of international relevance, published in English, peer-reviewed and open-access, containing papers concerning Human Rights from different approaches.

The Journal has been included in SCOPUS and in the Emerging Sources Citation Index (Web of Science).

It is also in: Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ), LATINDEX (catalogue), ISOC (CSIC), DIALNET, CIRC, ERIH PLUS, CARHUS PLUS, MIAR, ULRICH’S, OCLC, WORLDCAT, REDIB, EUROPUB, and Philosopher’s Index.

The call for papers is for the issue that will be published in June 2021

Submission instructions:

http://revistaselectronicas.ujaen.es/index.php/TAHRJ/about/submissions#authorGuidelines

Submission deadline: February 1st 2021

Preferably, manuscripts should be directly uploaded to the journal platform, but they can also be sent to tahrij@ujaen.es
About the Series

This Palgrave Macmillan book series addresses the rising interest in human rights topics in Asia. It focuses on the largely underexplored territory of Asian human rights topics highlighting its empirical manifestations, historical trajectory and theoretical implications. It also goes beyond the problematic dichotomy between “East” and “West” by engaging in rigorous case-specific as well as cross-regional comparisons within South-South context. China’s rise in world politics and its emergence as a massive donor, for example, has significant yet troubling implications. The member countries of ASEAN and Northeast Asia, on the other hand, would have different preoccupations and priorities calling for context-sensitive diagnosis and prognosis to promote human right causes. The series is multidisciplinary in nature and open to submissions focusing on international organization, ethics, criminology, development, freedom of expression, labour rights, environment, human/sex trafficking, democratization, governance studies, disability, reproductive rights, LGBT, post-/colonial as well as post-/authoritarian critiques and social movement, among others. The series publishes full-length monographs, and edited volumes.

Contact for Proposals

Correspondence regarding book proposals should be addressed to Vishal Daryanomel (vishal.daryanomel@palgrave.com).
Publications


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