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I am delighted to be writing my first Chair's message for UACES' digital newsletter. The Association published its first ever newsletter – Number 0 – in July 1968, and the publication has been in continuous production ever since. Almost 50 years later we are moving to a digital format which provides us with far greater opportunities to communicate to our membership news, updates and information from our worldwide community of scholars on a more regular basis. But it

is a source of great sadness that in this first new-look Chair's message I must report the untimely death of our former Executive Director, Luke Foster, on 26 October 2015. We included a tribute to Luke as an addendum to our November 2015 newsletter (Issue 83), and members can also see the online tribute page, a site which has gathered many heartfelt messages from across the Association's membership. Luke had worked for the Association since 2000 and he is ever present in our minds. At our meetings in particular, we recall Luke's character, his advice, and above all his humour, and we are sustained by our memories of such a dear colleague.

Helen Drake, Loughborough University

Read the extended version of Helen's message on the UACES Blog



A Narrative Turn in EU Studies

Luis Bouza García reports from this one-



Qualitative analysis of decisionmaking in the Council of the European Union

day workshop which took place at the College of Europe, Bruges.

Read report

This one-day workshop which brought together new and established EU studies researchers to investigate the role and functioning of EU institutions.

Read report



Health Systems and EU Law and Policy: the state of the art and direction of travel

Tamara Hervey reports from this one-day conference.

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A Balanced Data Protection in the EU: Conflicts and Possible Solutions

This workshop reflected on the topic of data protection from various perspectives.

Read report



UACES 47th Annual Conference

Jagiellonian University, Krakow,
Poland
4-6 September 2017

Find out more

UACES Student Forum

UACES Student Forum: New Members Elected

Three new UACES Student Forum committee members were elected in



Student Forum Seminars 2016

Over 40 PhD researchers from all over the UK and Europe came to discuss the challenges around teaching European Studies.

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January at the UACES SF seminar.

Quincy Cloet is a PhD student at
Aberystwyth University.

Pawel Pustelnik is a PhD student at
Cardiff University. Anthony Salamone
is a PhD student at University of
Edinburgh.

UACES Scholars 2016

UACES would like to congratulate the successful students who will be receiving UACES Scholarships this year.

- Nadja Dumann, University of Kent
- Anna McKeever, Ulster University
- · Irena Mnatsakanyan, University of Kent
- · Andrew Waterman, University of Portsmouth

Events Calendar

Details of upcoming events organised by the wider European studies community.

View upcoming events

JCER Special Issue 2016

New Special Issue of JCER published on Sixty Five Years of European Governance.

Read issue

News

Appointments & Awards

Maxine DAVID, has been appointed Lecturer in EU Studies at the Institute for History, Faculty of Humanities at Leiden University and Research Fellow at the Global Europe Centre, University of Canterbury, Kent

Nuno FERREIRA, has been awarded a highly competitive and prestigious ERC Starting Grant worth €1M, to fund the project SOGICA – Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Claims of Asylum: A European human rights challenge.

Nayia KAMENOU, has been appointed Lecturer in Social Work at the Faculty of Health & Life Sciences at De Montfort University Leicester.

Julia SCHMIDT, has been appointed Lecturer in European Law at Faculty of Public Management, Law & Safety at The Hague University of Applied Sciences



News from the ANTERO Network

The ANTERO Network researches and teaches EU foreign policy and held its first network meeting on 9-11 December at the University of Kent's new Brussels campus. There was a busy programme of mixed panels on the network's first research theme and its teaching goals. More than a dozen papers were delivered within the research programme on the theme of 'The Quest for Internal Legitimacy of EU External Action'. The network's second research theme 'External Legitimacy' will be the focus of the second network meeting scheduled for the London School of Economics and Political Science, 16-18 November next year.



Reminder to vote in UACES Committee Elections

Don't forget the UACES Committee elections close on **Friday 1 April 2016**. Individual and Student members of UACES are eligible to vote and should have received an email from the Electoral Reform Society inviting them to do so.



UACES becomes a Charitable Incorporated Organisation

From 1 December 2015, the University Association of Contemporary European Studies became a CIO with the name *UACES*. *UACES* is a Registered Charity in England and Wales (no. 1163773). Find out more



New Editors of the UACES/Routledge Contemporary European Studies Series

We are pleased to welcome new editors to the Contemporary European Studies book series. The new editors are Chad Damro (University of Edinburgh), Elaine Fahey (City University, London) and David Howarth (University of Luxembourg).



JCMS Call for Editors

UACES and Wiley invite applications for the positions of Editors of *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies*. Further info: www.uaces.org/jcmscall.

New Books

Oil Pollution in the North Sea - Angela Carpenter

Cybersecurity in the European Union: Resilience and Adaptability in Governance Policy - *George Christou*

International Organizations and Military Affairs - Hylke Dijkstra

Climate Policy Integration into EU Energy Policy: Progress and Prospects - Claire Dupont

European Space Policy: European Integration and the Final Frontier - Thomas Hoerber and Paul Stephenson

Explaining Legal Transplants: Transplantation of EU Law into Central Eastern Europe - Beata Kviatek

Facing the Challenges in the European Union. Re-thinking the EU Education and Research for Smart and Inclusive Growth - Ewa Latoszek, Magdalena Proczek, Agnieszka Klos, Marta Pachocka and Ewa Osuch-Rak

How Germany Unified and the EU Enlarged - Tereza Novotna

Europe Since 1989. Transitions and Transformations - William Outhwaite

Shaping EU Policy From Below: EU Democracy and the Committee of the Regions - Simona Piatto



UACES supports a number of Collaborative Research Networks. Presented below are details of two recently launched networks.

EU as an International Mediator

'EU as International Mediator' (EUaIM) is a platform to launch research into new knowledge on the EU's role in international crisis through mediation.

EUalM can be found at @EUalMCRN on twitter and via email EUalMCRN@gmail.com. Get in touch! - Toni Haastrup

Europe and the Everyday: Grassroots, EU and the Politics of Crisis

EUEve "Europe and the Everyday: Grassroots, EU and the Politics of Crisis" is a newly funded UACES collaborative research network, focusing on a cross-European examination of the impact of crises in Europe and the EU, studying a range of lived experiences of 'Europe' at the grassroots, and exploring how the idea of Europe changes and shifts in moments of crises.

Further info

Financial Accountablity in the European Union

EUFINACCO, a recently established UACES Collaborative Research Network (CRN), invites paper proposals in view of a workshop on "Financial Accountability in the European Union", addressing issues relating to the implementation, audit and evaluation of the EU budget and other financial tools, on Thursday 26th and Friday 27th May 2016 at the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Maastricht University, in the Netherlands.

The deadline for submission is EXTENDED to Friday 25th March. Informal enquiries, as well as paper proposals, should be sent to the three convenors of the network via Paul Stephenson (p.stephenson@maastrichtuniversity.nl)





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