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Chair's Column | Nicholas Startin

Dear UACES Colleagues,
Since I wrote my last Chair's column, we have taken the decision to host the [51st UACES Annual Conference](#) virtually due to the ongoing situation with the COVID pandemic. The call for papers remains open until the 1st of April so do consider submitting a paper or a panel if you have not already done so.

The Graduate Forum will be hosting their Annual Conference virtually in June. The theme of the conference this year is '[Europe in Cha\(lle\)nging Times](#)'. The keynote, 'Gender in the Academic World', features UACES EDI officer Professor Roberta Guerrina and Dr Khursheed Wadia (University of Warwick).

UACES and IACES launched a Joint Seminar Series on the 'UK, Ireland and the European Union in a time of crisis' with the first seminar entitled '[Confronting the Coronavirus Pandemic](#)'. It included an introductory address from An Taoiseach Micheál Martin. My thanks to Dr Mary Murphy, the IACES President, and her colleagues at IACES, for their organisation and involvement with this series.

I am pleased to announce that Dr Tomáš Weiss and Dr Sarah Wolff have been elected to the [UACES Trustees Committee](#) and will take up their roles in September. I would like to thank all UACES colleagues that put their names forward to stand for election to the UACES Trustees Committee.

Finally, my time as Chair will be up at the end of the academic year and I am very happy to inform you that Professor Simon Usherwood will replace me as Chair for three years from September 2021. I look forward to handing over to Simon at the Virtual Conference in September.

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](#)

Annual Conference 2021



Don't forget to submit your papers for UACES Annual Conference

The Call for Papers closes in a few days.
Submit your proposals by **midnight 1 April** via ConfTool.

[Submit your proposal](#)

Find a Panel

Would you like to join a panel at UACES 51st Annual Conference?
Find calls for abstracts and papers from colleagues and researchers to join panels
at UACES 51st Annual Conference.

[Find a panel](#)

Graduate Forum Online Research Conference 2021

Europe in Cha(lle)nging Times

The UACES Graduate Forum committee is pleased to invite submissions for the 2021 UACES Graduate Forum Online Research Conference. Paper and panel



proposals are welcomed from PhD and Early-Career researchers worldwide, working in all areas of contemporary European Studies.

Submit your proposals by 16 April.

Keynote: Gender in the Academic World

The keynote will be presented by UACES member and EDI Officer Professor Roberta Guerrina and Dr Khursheed Wadia, Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Warwick.

[Submit your proposal](#)

Election Announcements

We are pleased to announce the new Chair and elected Committee Members of UACES. All three will start their term in September 2021 and will hold the position for three years.

Join us to welcome:



Professor Simon Usherwood, University of Surrey
Chair

“It’s a great honour to become Chair of UACES, as well as a great pleasure. Building on the excellent work of my predecessor, I want to continue to make the Association best-placed to sustain and encourage scholars of European Studies in their work. In particular, I will be focusing on three key priorities during my time. First, I

want to ensure that we fully and firmly embed our work on diversity and equality into the full range of our activities. Second, I want to provide new ways for academics to more fully become part of the public and political debates on relevant issues in ways that are mutually enriching. And finally, I want to continue adapting UACES to make the most of the changing opportunities that result from the UK's withdrawal from the EU. I look forward to working on all of these projects with members, new and old, and to meeting more of you (virtually or in-person) soon."

Dr Tomáš Weiss, Charles University Prague
Committee Member

"I have participated in UACES events since the beginning of my academic career and profited from it enormously. I believe it is time to pay back at least partially by contributing my time and experience to the association's functioning. I want to provide my understanding of the Central and Eastern European academic context, which is similar but, in many ways, strikingly different from the British or West European situation. My aim is to help advertise UACES in the region and attract new members and hosts for UACES events."



Dr Sarah Wolff, Queen Mary, University of London
Committee Member

"Currently leading a Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence on the future of EU-UK relations (NEXTEUK), my aim as a Committee Member is to multiply synergies about the future of our discipline in the UK, across Europe and beyond. UACES has provided a crucial community of scholars and friends throughout my career and I am honoured to be able to contribute and serve this community. Times are especially challenging for young scholars and European studies and I am eager to lead a reflection on what being a scholar in European studies in a (post)Covid and post-Brexit times means."

Obituary

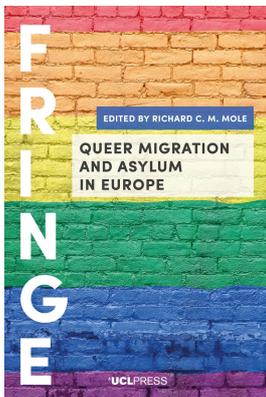
Sir Leslie Fielding, 1932-2021

We regret to announce the death of Sir Leslie Fielding on 4 March 2021, who was Honorary President of UACES between 1990-96. Leslie was a larger than life figure – extrovert, engaging and energetic. There were at least three sides to his career – the public official, the academic, and involvement in the Church of England.



[Read the full obituary](#) by Honorary President of UACES Professor Dame Helen Wallace.

Publications



OPEN ACCESS: UCL Press

[Queer Migration and Asylum in Europe](#)

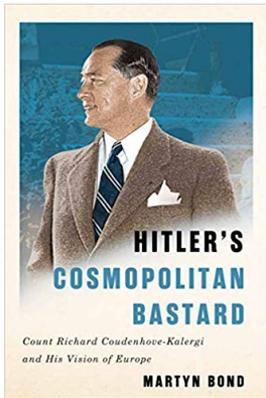
by Richard C. M. Mole

Oxford University Press

[Business Lobbying in the European Union](#)

by David Coen, Alexander Katsaitis, Matia Vannoni





McGill Queen University Press
Hitler's Cosmopolitan Bastard

by Martyn Bond

From Member to Member

CfP, collaborations and exchange amongst the UACES community

Soft Power in the European Union's Strategic Partnership Diplomacy: The Erasmus Plus Programme

Open access book chapter by João Pinto

This chapter attempts to fill part of a gap in the literature by exploring the EU's soft power in connection to the area of higher education and more specifically to the communities of alumni built around the Erasmus+ Programme. Its focus is on a 'bottom up' rather than the 'top down' view of the Strategic Partnerships (SP); and its underlying argument is about the persistence and even strengthening of the educational links and networks set against the stagnation and erosion of the SPs in the broader sense.

[Read the chapter](#)

Appointments:

Professor Tamara Hervey will be joining City Law School as Jean Monnet Professor of EU Law in City, University London, and especially contributing to its established Institute for the [Study of European Laws](#).

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

Multimedia



A podcast player interface. On the left, there is a play button icon and the text 'UACES Podcasts'. The main title is 'In Conversation: Professor Michael Shackleton interviews Dr. Martyn Bond'. Below the title is a waveform visualization. On the right, there is a book cover for 'Hitler's Cosmopolitan Bastard' by Martyn Bond, featuring a portrait of a man in a suit. The text '1 day ago' is visible in the top right corner of the player area.

In Conversation: Professor Michael Shackleton interviews Dr. Martyn Bond

This podcast features a discussion between UACES Patrons Professor Michael Shackleton and Dr. Martyn Bond about the first English-language biography of Richard Coudenhove-Kalergi. The book will be published in April 2021 by McGill-Queens University Press under the title *Hitler's Cosmopolitan Bastard*.

[Listen to the Podcast.](#)



A video player interface for a seminar. At the top, there are logos for IACES and UACES. The main title is 'THE UK, IRELAND & THE EUROPEAN UNION IN A TIME OF CRISIS'. Below this, it says 'UACES-IACES Joint Seminar Series'. The specific seminar is 'Seminar 1' on 'Friday 26 February 2020, 1:00 – 2:30 pm'. The topic is 'Confronting the Coronavirus Pandemic'. On the right side, there is a map of the United Kingdom and Ireland. At the bottom, there is a video control bar with a play button, a progress indicator at '0:00 / 1:32:26', and various icons for settings, full screen, and other video controls.

The UK, Ireland and the European Union in a time of crisis. Seminar 1: Confronting the Coronavirus Pandemic

In the first seminar in the series, The UK, Ireland and the EU in a time of crisis, we explored the most acute and immediate crisis we face: the Covid-19 pandemic. In this

seminar we interrogated how Ireland, the UK and the EU have responded to this crisis.

With speakers:

Dr Eleanor Brooks, University of Edinburgh

Prof. Fiona Kearney, University College Cork and Director of the Glucksman Gallery

Prof. Tamara Hervey, University of Sheffield

Noelle O Connell, CEO of European Movement Ireland

The recording is exclusively for UACES members.

[Watch the video.](#)

Vacancies

[Lecturer \(Assistant Professor\) in Politics -
International Relations and Russia Application](#)

University of Bath

Application deadline: 9 Apr 2021

[Assistant Professor in International Migration](#)

London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)

Application Deadline: 11 Apr 2021

[Academic Coordinator \(post-doctoral part-time position\)
of the Master of Arts in Transatlantic Affairs programme](#)

College of Europe

Application Deadline: 12 Apr 2021

[Part-time Professor in the Department of European Economic Studies](#)

College of Europe

Application Deadline: 26 Apr 2021



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