

APRIL 27-29, 2020 - NANTES



DOCTORIALS

" POLITICAL THEORY OF EUROPE "

CALL FOR APPLICATION

As part of its scientific activities, the **Jean Monnet Chair "Telos , Ethos, Nomos of Europe" (TEN-Europa)** organizes three days of Doctorials, in collaboration with Alliance Europa and Nantes Métropole.

Nantes, MSH Ange-Guépin

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WHO ARE WE ?

The [Jean Monnet Chair](#) project "[Télos, Éthos, Nomos de l'Europe](#)" (TEN-Europa 2017-2020) aims at strengthening the teaching of European studies within the new [Institute of European and Global Studies](#), supported by the University of Nantes, and to improve the visibility and impact of studies on Europe in the extra-academic field.

Telos, Ethos, Nomos :

- The *Telos* of Europe concerns the purpose, the meaning, the raison d'être, the motivation of the European political project.
- The *Nomos* of Europe refers to the basic legal structure of the Union, to its organizing principle.
- The *Ethos* corresponds to the characteristic values and attitudes of European societies.

PRESENTATION

In the field of European studies, political theory still occupies a very limited place. Europe remains, even today, a political object primarily invested by legal analysis, historical analysis, public policy analysis or sociological analysis.

The nationalist divisions of the 20th century and the process of globalisation have led both to a questioning of a purely state Westphalian world and to the need to build a "survival unity" (Elias) on a continental scale. However, this new requirement cannot be apprehended on the basis of a simple duplication of the traditional categories (State, sovereignty, etc.). Europe is first

and foremost a political construction of a new kind that requires to think afresh normative concepts adapted to this dynamic and sometimes chaotic reality.

This new project was not immediately perceived by political theory at least as long as European integration was based on a "permissive consensus" and seemed to play a secondary role on the political scene of the Member States. In the French-speaking area, the campaign for the ratification of the Maastricht Treaty was the stepping stone for promoting analyses of European integration from the political theory perspective [Lacroix, Magnette in Belot, Magnette, Saurugger, 2008]. Since then, the contributions resulting from political theory addressing the subject of "Europe" have been multiplied, addressing the question of the legitimacy of decisions, the normative foundations of this construction, European identity and its institutional framework.

The main objective of these three doctoral days is to enable PhD students whose research mobilizes the political theory of Europe and the "European normative issue", to interact with high-level researchers to discuss and develop their different research hypothesis.

THE PROGRAM IN BRIEF

- Conferences
- Doctoral workshops (**presentation of their work by PhD students before a panel of confirmed researchers followed by a discussion**)
- Social activities (discovery of Nantes city , etc.)

TARGETED PUBLIC

These days are open **to all PhD students whose research is interested in and/or mobilizes the political theory of Europe** whatever their academic discipline of attachment. Candidates must be able to lead or participate in a high level discussion on normative issues.

The number of participants is limited.

WORKING LANGUAGE

Participants will be able to communicate and write their paper **in French or English**. However, the main working language being French (French conferences without interpretation), all participants should have, at least, a passive understanding of French.

REGISTRATION FEES

No registration fees.

Are fully supported by the organizers: hotel accommodation, travel expenses, lunches, the monday night dinner, breakfasts in hotel and coffee breaks.

TO APPLY

The call for application is open **until December 13th, 2019.**

To apply, please send the following documents to this email address :
manon.damestoy@univ-nantes.fr :

1. An **updated CV** with list of publications (if existing)
2. A **communication proposal** mobilizing political theory of Europe (**1-2 pages max**)

You will be informed of your acceptance to the Doctorials **on December 20th.** You will be then requested to send your communication paper for the doctoral workshops (**10 -15 pages max**) on **1st March at the latest.**

STEERING COMMITTEE

Arnauld LECLERC, professor of political science at the University of Nantes, holder of the TEN Europa Chair and director of MSH Ange-Guépin Nantes

Jean-Marc FERRY, philosopher and holder of the Chair of philosophy of Europe of the University of Nantes

Tristan STORME, associate professor at the University of Nantes

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Etienne BALIBAR, philosopher and professor emeritus at the University of Paris-Ouest

Julien BARROCHE, associate professor at the National Institute of Oriental Languages and Civilizations, associate member at the Michel- Villey Institute

Francis CHENEVAL, professor of political philosophy at the University of Zurich

Florence DELMOTTE, qualified researcher from the (FRS-FNRS) at the University of Saint-Louis - Bruxelles and director of the Center for Research in Political Science (CReSPo)

Denis DUEZ, professor of political science and President of the Institute of European Studies at the University of Saint-Louis - Bruxelles (IEE)

Nicolas LEVRAT, professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Geneva and Director of the Global Studies Institute (GSI)

Jean-Yves PRANCHERE, professor of political theory at the Université libre de Bruxelles, member of the Political Theory Center (CTP-ULB)

Lukas K. SOSOE, professor of ethics and political and legal philosophy at the University of Luxembourg

Paul MAGNETTE, professor of political science at the Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB) and Mayor of Charleroi (Belgium) (**to be confirmed**)

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Looking forward to welcoming you to Nantes !

The team of the TEN Europa Chair.