

10th Annual Report
of the
Greek Politics Specialist Group
January 2014

Aims and Membership

2013 Accounts

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Draft 2014 Action Plan

Background:

The *Greek Politics Specialist Group* (GPSG) was established by the approval of the Political Studies Association (PSA) Executive Committee at its July 2004 meeting.

The GPSG's aims are:

- To promote the understanding of Greek government and politics via the encouragement of systematic research and teaching.
- To strengthen the ties between the UK and Greek academic communities and facilitate the exchange of research and expertise between the two countries.
- To support comparative and interdisciplinary political analysis, by collaborating with other PSA Specialist Groups and academic research centres, and by highlighting an expanding body of work on public administration, international affairs, psephology, political communication, political marketing, political theory etc.
- To provide UK-based scholars of (and from) Greece with a much-needed forum for the free exchange of ideas and to facilitate networking within the academic community.

Current Membership: 285 (as of 26 December 2013) of which

- 35 are Full Members (£5 for PSA members, £7 for non-PSA members)
- 152 are Affiliate Members
- 98 are old affiliate members that have not yet transferred to the new membership scheme

GPSG Constitution: http://www.gpsg.org.uk/docs/GPSG_Constitution.pdf

GPSG Governance: <http://www.gpsg.org.uk/about-us/key-people/>

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TABLE 1: 2013 ACCOUNTS

2013	INCOME	EXPENSES		RECEIPTS
£14.40	Carried forward from 2012	GPSG Best Paper Prizes @ 6 th LSE Hellenic Observatory Symposium 2 x £150 (Loukidou, Ntampoudi)	£300	1,2
£1,125	PSA Funding	GPSG Athens Event (in collaboration with the Salzburg Global Seminar and Fulbright Greece)	£600	3
£132.18	Membership fees (PayPal)	Transport (rail and coach fares for Exec Committee meetings / admin tasks)	£106.70	4,5,6,7
		Postal	£23.57	8,9,10,11, 12,13
		Telephone	£21.24	14,15
		Printer cartridges	£18.92	16
		Website hosting	£38	17
		Promotional flyers for Athens event	£28.99	18
		Stationery	£69.76	19,20,21
TOTAL	<u>£1271.58</u>	TOTAL	<u>£1207.18</u>	
		<i>Carried forward to 2014</i>	£64.40	

REVIEW OF 2013 ACTION PLAN

No	Action Description	Outcome	Lead EC officer
1	Develop Working Paper Series	Achieved & Ongoing	TE
2	Develop Podcast Series	Achieved & Ongoing	RG
3	Launch the edited volume of the proceedings from the 2009 International Conference on "Images of Nations: Strategic Communication, Soft Power and the Media" (Athens: Kastaniotis Publishers)	Book in press; ongoing	AL/RG
4	Convene panels at the 2013 PSA Annual Conference in Belfast	Completed	DT
5	Prepare panel proposals for the 2014 PSA Annual Conference	Completed	VL/TE
6	Develop the edited volume (book) with selected papers from the 2011 GPSG international conference "The Politics of Extreme Austerity: Greece Beyond the Crisis"	Contract signed with Palgrave; first draft of manuscript completed; ongoing	GK/RG
7	Develop the special issue of a journal with selected papers from the 2011 GPSG international conference "The Politics of Extreme Austerity: Greece Beyond the Crisis"	Special issue is in press and will be published in May 2014; ongoing	SL/DT
8	Launch prize competition for the 6 th Biennial LSE Hellenic Observatory PhD Symposium on Contemporary Greece and Cyprus	Completed	RG
9	Co-organise biennial international conference in collaboration with KPE (Panteion University, Athens)	Postponed	SL/AL
10	Launch competitive fieldwork fund	Merged with (8)	RG/SL
11	Establish ties with affiliate organisations and develop ties with existing collaborators	Achieved & Ongoing	TE
12	Review the utility and possible role / structure of Thematic Networks	Carried forward	TE/VL

DRAFT 2014 ACTION PLAN

To be finalised / approved at the 2014 GPSG Annual General Meeting

No	Action Description	Timeline	Lead Exec Cttee Officer
1	Launch the edited volume (book) of the proceedings from the 2009 International Conference on "Images of Nations: Strategic Communication, Soft Power and the Media" (Athens: Kastaniotis)	Spring 2014	AL/RG
2	Launch the edited volume (book) with selected papers from the 2011 GPSG international conference "The Politics of Extreme Austerity: Greece Beyond the Crisis" (Palgrave)	Spring/Summer 2014	GK/RG
3	Launch the special issue of <i>Political Studies Review</i> with selected papers from the 2011 GPSG international conference "The Politics of Extreme Austerity: Greece Beyond the Crisis"	May 2014	SL/DT
4	Organise workshop on the Economic Adjustment Programmes in collaboration with the Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB), Brussels	March 2014	SL
5	Organise workshop on Political Violence in Greece and Europe, London	Spring/Summer 2014	RG
6	Organise international conference on "Beyond 'Absorption': The Impact of EU Structural Funds on Greece (1981-2013)" in collaboration with the University of Peloponnese	September 2014	AL/RG
7	Convene panels at the 2014 PSA Annual Conference in Manchester	April 2014	VL/TE
8	Prepare panel proposals for the 2015 PSA Annual Conference	Summer 2014	DT/AL
9	Produce a pamphlet on the May 2014 European Parliament and Local Elections in Greece	May 2014	RG
10	Appoint a Membership & External Relations Officer to the Executive Committee	February 2014	RG
11	Appoint new members to the Advisory Committee	Spring 2014	RG
12	Produce and launch 10 th Anniversary special publication	Spring/Summer 2014	RG
13	Review the GPSG's membership fees vis-à-vis the PSA's new funding regime for Specialist Groups	Winter/Spring 2014	RG
14	Develop Working Paper Series	Throughout	TE
15	Develop Podcast Series	Throughout	RG
16	Develop the publication of the GPSG Newsletter into a quarterly publication (February, May, August, November)	Throughout	TE