

1. PSA 2021 Annual Conference – General Call for Papers on Greek Politics.

One of the core aims of the Greek Politics Specialist Group (GPSG) of the Political Studies Association (PSA) is to organise focused, scholarly panels at the annual conference of the PSA, featuring senior and junior academics and researchers working on the field of Greek politics. [From Leeds in 2005 to Nottingham in 2019](#), the GPSG has consistently had a very strong presence at PSA annual conferences, while also promoting cross-fertilisation with other Specialist Groups and international networks.

The 2021 Political Studies Association (PSA) Annual Conference will take place at **Belfast** and its theme is **'Resilience, Expertise, Hope'**. For full details regarding all aspects of the Conference, please visit the [PSA's website](#).

The **GPSG** cordially **invites** scholars to submit **paper and panel proposals on all aspects of Greek society and politics**. We wish to particularly encourage comparative, cross-disciplinary and collaborative proposals, as well as papers featuring original theoretical ideas and empirical data. All methodological and epistemological approaches based on sound social science reasoning are welcome.

Please send your proposals for papers (consisting of a **paper title, 200-word abstract, institutional affiliation and full contact details**) or panels (with **full details of the papers and authors**) to our Panel Convenors [Stella Ladi](#) and [Athanasios Gouglas](#), who will be happy to respond to any enquires about this call or the conference.

The **deadline** for submitting proposals is **Friday 2nd October 2020**. Applicants will be notified whether they have been included in the GPSG's panels ahead of the final PSA deadline (before 12 October).

We look forward to seeing many of you in Belfast!

2. PSA 2021 Annual Conference – Joint Call for Papers.

The **German Politics, Greek Politics, French Politics, Italian Politics, Nordic Politics and Turkish Politics Specialist Groups** of the PSA invite **paper proposals for joint panels** which seek to explore the first reactions to the economic and political challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic by governments across Europe. Papers discussing the EU response and implications for EU member states are also of interest to this call. We welcome single case studies, comparative papers, and theoretical explorations on the broad theme of **'The Covid-19 pandemic across Europe: responses, challenges and lessons (learned)'**. The joint panels have the objective of bringing together different perspectives and to create a dialogue between the involved Specialist Groups.

The Covid-19 pandemic found Europe still recovering from a decade of crisis including the Eurozone crisis, the migration crisis and Brexit. Governments across Europe reacted in different ways to the pandemic, but they were all challenged on multiple fronts: public health and health systems, the lockdown of economic, social and cultural life, new on-line working patterns and on-line education, restriction of civil liberties,

and closure of borders are just a few examples. This call is looking for papers discussing policies across Europe in response to the Covid-19 emergency and their implementation. What lessons can be learned about crisis management from the different national responses? What has been the role of experts and of evidence informed policymaking? How has the political landscape of different countries been affected by the new crisis? What future avenues for research has this universal crisis opened-up for political science?

Please address all enquiries and e-mail your paper proposal (**paper title, 200-word max abstract, institutional affiliation and full contact details**) to our Panel Convenors [Stella Ladi](#) and [Athanasios Gouglas](#). We specifically encourage doctoral students and early career researchers to contribute to the joint panel. Applicants will be notified whether they have been included in the joint panel proposals ahead of the final PSA deadline.

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