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Events and Notices

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Dear Colleagues,

The Greek Politics Specialist Group is pleased to share the following news and details about events, research opportunities, calls for papers, and publications:

GPSG NEWS

1. PSA 2024 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 Greek politics. The GPSG has a consistent and strong presence at PSA annual conferences, while also promoting collaborations with other Specialist Groups and international networks.

The **2024 Political Studies Association (PSA) Annual Conference** will be hosted by the **University of Strathclyde in Glasgow** and will take place fully in-person from **25 – 27 March 2024**. The theme of the conference is “After (Neo-) Liberalism: Towards an Alternative Paradigm?”. 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. Moreover, we particularly welcome submissions from junior scholars and scholars from under-represented groups. All methodological and

seniors and seniors from under-represented groups. 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 Group Convenors Dimitris Skleparis (dimitris.skleparis@newcastle.ac.uk) and Vasiliki (Billy) Tsagkroni (v.tsagkroni@fsw.leidenuniv.nl), who will be happy to respond to any enquiries about this call or the conference.

The **deadline** for submitting proposals is **Monday 6 November 2023**. Applicants will be notified whether they have been included in the GPSG's panels ahead of the final PSA deadline (before 6 November).

We look forward to seeing many of you in Glasgow!



2. Call for Greek local elections commentary

Following the success of its previous [pamphlets](#) on the Greek national elections, the **Greek Politics Specialist Group (GPSG)** aims to publish another collection of comment pieces on local elections in Greece, reflecting the results of the polls on the 8th and 15th of October 2023.

The purpose is **to open the discussion around local elections in Greece**, a relatively under-researched topic, and start a conversation about their meaning, impact, and repercussions. Additional perspectives or viewpoints can also be the subject of a potential article, such as policy communication and campaigns. Pieces either on specific municipalities and regions or general comments are also welcome.

We invite opinion/analysis articles of **700-1000 words** in English, analyzing, interpreting, or reflecting on the process and the outcome of the Greek local elections in 2023.

The goal is to publish the articles on a special edition pamphlet. Please take into account the word limits and make sure that papers have been carefully proofread and require minimal editorial work. Please email your piece to Angelos Angelou (A.Angelou@lse.ac.uk) and George Dikaïos (gdikaïos@uoa.gr) by **Monday, 8th of January**, which is the **final deadline**, along with your full title and institutional affiliation.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for any further clarification.

The GPSG's committee reserves the right not to publish all submissions.

3. New research opportunity at the GPSG

The Greek Politics Specialist Group of the UK Political Studies Association (PSA) invites applications to conduct research on the topic “**The Politics of Climate Resilience in Greece**”.

The recent catastrophic wildfire in Evros and the flood in Thessaly were stark reminders that Greece is one of the European countries most strongly experiencing the consequences of climate change. What have the political and socioeconomic consequences of such natural disasters been in Greece, and what can we learn from them about the likely effects of climate change on European politics more broadly? Through which political coalitions and policies can Greece build climate resilience, reinforcing its ability to mitigate the most negative effects of future natural disasters?

Researchers are invited to **submit** their **research proposals (up to 500 words)** in English related to the above theme. One project will be selected for an **award of £250**. The successful project will run for a **period of up to 5 months leading to the publication of a GPSG Working Paper**. The selected researcher will receive mentorship from a member of the GPSG Executive Committee, and they will be expected to join the GPSG and contribute to the Group's academic activities.

Qualifications:

- PhD candidates or a recent PhD degree in Social Sciences (Politics, Economics, Sociology)
- Excellent knowledge of English as a working language and good knowledge of Greek
- Experience in conducting research focusing on contemporary politics in Europe or another world region.

Duration of the contract: November 2023 – April 2024

Please submit your application electronically including your Research Proposal and CV with “Research Assistant_21” in the subject line, to Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (k.gartzou-katsouyanni@lse.ac.uk) and Angelos Angelou (a.angelou@lse.ac.uk).

4. GPSG Executive Committee new members

The GPSG is delighted to welcome Dr Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (Membership & External Activities Officer) and Dr George Dikaios (Press & (Social) Media Officer) as new members of its Executive Committee.

5. GPSG Blog

The GPSG encourages submissions from academics and researchers studying Greek politics, as well as practitioners and policy makers with significant expertise in the latter field. We are interested in submissions covering a wide range of topics with a focus on Greece, while we particularly encourage submissions covering less studied issues. **Suggested length** for each blogpost is **800 words**, yet we are happy to accommodate longer posts when appropriate.

To submit an article for consideration, please e-mail it to Angelos Angelou (A.Angelou@lse.ac.uk) and Alexandros Kyriakidis (a.kyriakidis@uom.edu.gr) in a Word file.

6. GPSG Working Papers

The GPSG welcomes scholarly working papers, as well as preliminary or interim reports of ongoing research. There is no word limit, although we encourage prospective contributors to aim for a length of **3,000 – 4,000 words (research reports)** and **4,000 – 8,000 words (full papers)**. All submitted papers go through peer-review, thus, receiving much constructive feedback that facilitates their future development. We strongly encourage PhD researchers and junior scholars to submit their work.

To submit a working paper, please e-mail it to Angelos Angelou (A.Angelou@lse.ac.uk).

CALL FOR PAPERS

**12th Biennial Conference of the ECPR Standing Group on the European Union
- 19-21 June 2024, Universidade NOVA**

The Chairs of the section "**Crises and beyond: the EU at a crossroads**" are looking for **papers on**:

- How crises have changed the modes of governance in the European Union (EU) and the sustainability of these transformations?
- To what extent has the EU-state relationship been transformed?
- To what extent have crises led to transformations in EU decision-making and policy-making at international, transnational and sub-national level?
- What actors have been strengthened or weakened in times of crisis?
- What policy areas have seen the most drastic transformation?
- Are there divergences or convergences in public policy responses across Europe during and beyond crises?
- How has the role of the EU as a global actor developed during crises and by its response to crises?

For more information on the conference, the section and submission guidelines, click [here](#).

NEW PUBLICATIONS BY OUR MEMBERS

- Angelou, A., Ladi, S., Panagiotatou, D. & Tsagkroni, V. (2023). Paths to Trust: Explaining citizens' trust to experts and evidence-informed policymaking during the Covid-19 pandemic. *Public Administration*. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1111/padm.12962>
- Cai, Y.H. & Efstathiopoulos, C. (2023). Between economic openness and strategic caution: Germany's response to China's investment. *Asia Europe Journal*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10308-023-00671-z>
- Koliastasis, P. & Yfantopoulos, J. (2023). 'Economic Crisis, Polarization, and Prime Ministerial Approval in Greece', in T. Hellwig and M. Singer (eds), *Economics and Politics Revisited: Executive Approval and the New Calculus of Support*. *Comparative Politics* (Oxford, 2023; online edn, Oxford Academic, 28 Sept. 2023). <https://doi.org/10.1093/oso/9780192871664.003.0011>
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- Tsagkroni, V. (2023). Far-Right in Greece: a foretold story in K. Kondor and M. Littler (eds), *The Routledge Handbook of Far-Right Extremism in Europe*, Routledge.
- Ελευθερίου, Κ., Τσίρμπας, Γ., Κολιαστάσης, Π. και Σ. Καναούτη (επιμελ.) (2023). Εισαγωγή στην Πολιτική Επιστήμη. Εκδόσεις GUTENBERG.

If you would like to share any news, new publications, advertise events or calls for papers, please contact [Dimitra Panagiotatou](#).

Kind Regards,
Dimitra, on behalf of the GPSG Executive Committee.

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