

## International Conference

### “TOWARDS A NEW EUROPEAN NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICY”

#### Call for Papers

**Abstract deadline: 20 April 2018**

**Paper submission: 20 May 2018**

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#### Who?

*PhD students and Postdoctoral researchers*

*Business representatives from Romania*

*Central administration representatives*

*NGOs representatives that active in International relations and European studies domains*

*MA students specialized in complementary domains to international relations and European studies*

#### When?

23-24 May 2018

#### Where?

*National University of Political Studies and Public Administration- the Department of  
International Relations and European Integration*

*Expoziției Bld. 30A, Bucharest, Romania*

#### Description

The EU's relations with its neighbours have never attracted as much attention as in recent years (Bouris, & Schumacher, 2017). Moreover, EU member states' own policies have exposed the EU's Neighborhood Policy to challenges unthinkable when it was originally launched in 2003. Important political transformations have tested the level of resilience at EU's borders: the outbreak of the 'Arab Spring' in early 2011, the eruption and continuation of the war in Syria, the emergence of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL/Daesh), the military coup of 2013 in Egypt, the Euromaidan revolution of 2013/2014 and the subsequent Russian annexation of the Crimea, followed by the emergence of territorial conflict between pro-Russian separatists and Ukrainian military and paramilitary forces in eastern parts of Ukraine, growing tensions between Armenia and Azerbaijan, the deterioration of democratic standards and practices in Georgia, Moldova's scandals of corruption and internal disputes, unprecedented waves of human displacement and the migration crisis—these are just some of the many dramatic developments in the EU's neighbourhood that have recently emerged on the agenda of EU foreign-policy makers. In parallel, EU membership of central and eastern European countries in 2004 and 2007, Croatia's accession to the EU in 2013, the entering into force of the Lisbon Treaty and thus the creation of the European External Action Service (EEAS), have impacted on the EU and EU foreign policy making towards the neighbourhood from within.



In this context, the conference aims to problematize the revised European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP). The event aims to provide an overview of the most recent developments in EU foreign policy (EUPF) towards the EU's southern and eastern neighbourhood through the prism of continuity and change. By critically examining EU action and inaction in the framework of the 2011 ENP, the conference wants to put the ENP's most recent review of 2015 in perspective.

#### **Covered topics:**

- Conceptual, theoretical and methodological issues;
- The legal and institutional aspects of the revised ENP and the changes brought by the entering into force of the Lisbon Treaty;
- Conflicts and crises in the EU's neighbourhood - the South Caucasus conflicts and the crisis in Ukraine;
- EaP efficiency;
- EU-Russia relationship
- Sectoral cooperation within the ENP;
- Changes brought by the revised ENP in specific domains such energy cooperation or migration;
- The security architecture of the European Continent.

#### **Costs:**

There is no participation fee. A limited number of scholarships covering the transportation and/or accommodation costs will be available. Applications for scholarships should include a CV and a motivation letter demonstrating financial need. Please submit your application together with the abstract to [anamaria.costea@dri.snsa.ro](mailto:anamaria.costea@dri.snsa.ro) by **20 April 2018**.

#### **Publication**

The conference papers will be published in the Conference Proceedings which is going to be indexed in international databases.

The best articles will be published in the academic journal, **Europolity**, a leading international journal indexed in ESCI, Index Copernicus Journals Master List, CEEOL, DOAJ, EBSCO, HeinOnline, RePEc, SSRN, and Ulrichsweb. For more information, please go to: <http://europolity.eu/>

The deadline for sending the final paper is **20 May 2018**.

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