

## THE EUROPEAN UNION: THE FIRST TEN YEARS, THE NEXT TEN YEARS?

### UACES 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference and 8<sup>th</sup> Research Conference

UACES (Newcastle)

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Place: Univ. of Newcastle.

Deadline for submission: February  
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#### Preamble

The UACES 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference and 8<sup>th</sup> Research Conference will be hosted by the University of Newcastle upon Tyne from September 2-4, 2003. Following the success of our recent Annual and Research Conferences, the Conference will once again comprise a mix of research sessions, plenaries and lectures, bringing together academics and practitioners working on the European Union and its existing and future member states. Highlights will include lectures and plenaries reflecting on the ten years since the *Treaty of the European Union* came into force and prospects for the next decade. In addition, there is the opportunity to visit Newcastle Gateshead, which has been short-listed for the European Capital of Culture in 2008.

UACES invites proposals for individual papers or for pre-organised panels of papers to fit into the following sections:

- 1) Institutions and Governance
- 2) Policies and Policy-Making
- 3) External Relations and CFSP
- 4) Enlargement
- 5) Member States and Integration
- 6) Theories and Perspectives
- 7) Parties, Interests and Popular Participation
- 8) Future of Europe: The Convention and Constitutionalism

Proposals from, or including, postgraduate research students are particularly encouraged, as are contributions from all academic disciplines, including law, economics, geography, history, sociology, social policy and politics.

#### Paper Proposals

Paper proposals can be submitted by completing the Paper proposal form which can be downloaded from the web-site ([www.uaces.org](http://www.uaces.org)) and by sending in your completed proposal by e-mail. If you are unable to download the Paper proposal form, please send an email to [admin@uaces.org](mailto:admin@uaces.org). Although we are asking for submissions to be made by email, we will have a hardcopy version of the proposal form available if there are any technical difficulties.

As part of the proposal, you will be asked to include an abstract (200 words max.) which should contain a clear summary of your arguments. Once your Paper proposal is accepted, this abstract will appear on our website. Although the UACES office does not ask for a full copy of the paper, it is expected that you will circulate this to the other members on your panel before the conference.

For joint papers, the Paper proposal should be completed by the person who is actually going to present the paper (but please give the names of your co-authors so that they can be credited for their work).

#### Panel Proposals

Panel proposals can be submitted by completing the Panel proposal form which can be downloaded from the web-site and by sending in your completed proposal by email.

Panel proposals should be completed by the chair of the panel. The panel should consist of a chair (who should not be presenting one of the papers) and three papers. A useful method for contacting potential panel members is through the UACES members' e-mail list which will reach over 500 members. As part of the proposal, you will be asked to include a synopsis (200 words max.) identifying the overall themes or focus of the panel. Each paper-giver on the panel will also be required to complete the paper proposal form.

### **Offers to Chair a Panel**

As some of the panels at this conference will be constructed by the conference committee from individual paper proposals, offers to act as chair are also invited.

The chair's role during the panel session at the conference will be to ensure that the panel runs to time and to introduce the discussion of the papers by providing some brief comments. The chair will also act as a contact point for the paper-givers and for UACES in the lead up to the conference.

Please register your interest by sending an e-mail to [admin@uaces.org](mailto:admin@uaces.org), stating your name, affiliation and contact details. Also, please state in which of the eight sections (listed in the preamble) you would be prepared to chair a panel.

Please note: As chair, your email address will appear on our website with the abstracts of the paper-givers in your panel.

### **Procedures**

All paper and panel proposals will be assessed by a conference committee and individual paper proposals will be allocated to a panel.

Notifications of acceptance (with registration forms for paper-givers and chairs) will be sent out by Thursday May 2, 2003.

Non paper-givers will be able to register to attend from 8 June 2003.

