Recovery and Reconnection: European Integration Against the Tide

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CALL FOR PAPERS AND PANELS

The European continent, like many other parts of the world, faces key challenges: from the post-pandemic economic recovery to climate change, from the technological transition to growing geopolitical instability and uncertainty. These challenges do not stop at the border. To deal with them effectively, European leaders will have to coordinate their actions. Yet, moving forward in a coordinated fashion might not be easy. When facing these challenges, the EU needs to reconcile radically different views about the appropriate scope and depth of integration that exist both across and within member states. Key questions for Europe’s future will be how EU institutions and member state governments shape the recovery, reconnect with citizens, neighbors and allies as well as foster geopolitical relationships.

This call invites proposals that contribute to the debate about whether, and if so where and how, the EU, its member states as well as the actors surrounding it, are recovering and reconnecting. We invite contributions from anthropologists, historians, social theorists, and sociologists, in addition to legal scholars, economists and political scientists, working on any aspect of the European experience, to submit their proposals as this debate should not be held in disciplinary silos.

We also want to take the opportunity to be able to reconnect the EUSA community through a conference that is as interactive as possible. Next to panel discussions, roundtables, award ceremonies, keynote speeches, we therefore also plan to provide platforms where participants can discuss and share experiences in themed “cafés” such as on methods or research funding as well as mentoring events related to teaching, career advice and diversity and inclusion.

Topics may include but are not limited to:

- Public Opinion, Politicization, and Euroskepticism
- Political Change, Protest, Democratic Backsliding and the Rule of Law in the EU
- Migration, Citizenship and Identity
- EU Political Economy: Inequality, Economic Reform, and Public Policy
- Europe in the World & Enlargement
- Transatlantic/European Security Governance
- European Integration, Regulation and Differentiation
- EU Institutions & Law: History and Reform
- Cafés on Teaching, Mentoring and Diversity and Inclusion
- Hot Topics and Current Events

Although papers are welcome, full panel proposals will be given priority in the selection process. Proposals for author-meets-critics sessions and thematic roundtables will be evaluated on merit. Participants will be notified of the Program Committee’s decisions by December 14, 2021.

A selection of the best papers will be published in a special issue of the Journal of European Public Policy in 2023.

To submit a proposal, look for the submission link at our website https://eustudies.org/ that will be available starting August 1, 2021. Deadline for submissions is October 4, 2021.