



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
OF YOUNG SCHOLARS IN PRAGUE

XVIII. International Conference of Young Scholars *Call for Papers*

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Jan Masaryk Centre of International Studies
Faculty of International Relations
University of Economics in Prague

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Dear Colleagues,

Jan Masaryk Centre of International Studies is pleased to invite you to the

XVIII. International Conference of Young Scholars

"25 Years without the Iron Curtain: Challenges for International Actors"

which will be held on **30th May 2014** at the University of Economics in Prague.



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The conference will be divided into two sections, each section will comprise of several panels. The number of panels, as well as their focus will result from the submitted paper proposals.

1) International Actors in post-Cold War World Politics: Continuity and Change

The role of international non-state actors, such as international organizations, regimes and NGO's, has been rising over the last decades, putting states under pressure and making assault upon the state-centric view of world politics. Since early 1970's it has also been widely accepted by the IR scholars. The end of Cold War has brought radical transformations of the IR system creating enormous challenges for the international actors. How have the international actors been transformed over the last quarter century both within themselves and in their global context? What has been achieved since 1989 and what seems to have failed? What has not been attempted yet? How have policies and priorities of the international actors changed in response to new understanding of the issues they deal with and of their external environment? What policies and strategies are adopted to effectively meet existing challenges? What can the UN system, as a global political body, be reasonably expected to accomplish? The papers in this section should focus on these and similar questions both from theoretical and empirical point of view.

2) An Ever Closer Union or l'Europe des Patries: Post-Cold War European Politics

The end of the Cold War has brought profound political, economic and social changes across Europe as well as globally. The post-Cold War Europe was to a large extent defined by the expansion of the European integration. It has been a significant contribution to the consolidation of the continent's new democratic and market-economic order. It has at the same time created great challenges both for the European Union and the new member states of Central and Eastern Europe. How and to what degree has Europe and the EU been transformed over the last quarter century? What has been achieved and what are the political deficiencies that still need to be addressed? What role can Europe play in addressing global challenges? How has the enlargement affected the Union and its external relations? What effect has the membership had on the new member states celebrating 10th anniversary of EU accession this year? Both theoretical and empirical studies focusing on these and related issues are called for. Participants are also invited to cover other aspects and problems of post-Cold War European politics and European integration.



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How to participate:

1. By **28th March 2014**, fill in the **Application form** at <http://icys.vse.cz> (section Downloads).
2. By **1st April 2014**, the **Notification of Acceptance** and further information will be sent to all applicants.
3. By **27th April 2014**, please **confirm** your attendance and send us **full version** of your paper.

Please ensure that the submitted version is fully prepared for publication.

Proof-reading by a native English speaker before submitting the paper is highly recommended.

Please note:

The organizers retain the right to exclude a paper from the conference if the paper does not significantly meet the level of requirements or does not pertain to the theme of the conference.

It is highly recommended that all applicants fill in the Application Form and send abstracts well before the deadline.

Conference costs

Registration fees:	No registration fees will be charged.
Accommodation:	TBC
Dining:	TBC
Travel costs:	Regrettably, we are not able to cover travel costs. All travel costs must be covered by the participants.



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Preliminary Programme of the Conference

Thursday 29th May 2014

afternoon/evening

arrival, accommodation

Friday 30th May 2014

morning

registration

opening of the conference (key note speech)

panel sessions

lunch

afternoon

panel sessions

evening

best paper contest ceremony

reception

Please note that the registration will only be opened in the morning before the opening of the conference.

Outputs of the Conference

- **Electronic Conference Proceedings – Abstracts**

Abstracts of all presented papers will be published in electronic version.

- **Conference Proceedings – Collection of Papers**

Selected papers will undergo a double-blind peer review. The collection will be published in electronic version.

Best Paper Contest

Annual contest for the best paper of the conference will be organized. Papers of Ph.D. students will be automatically included into the competition in two categories:

European Studies

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International Issues

Papers will be evaluated by the Programme Committee members and other selected experts. Special attention will be paid to the content, form and presentation of the paper.



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On behalf of the ICYS Team
Yours Faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alžběta Kuchařová'.

Alžběta Kuchařová
Head of Organizing Committee



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APPENDIX

Style Guidelines for Paper Presentations

1. If you are going to use local computers, your presentation must be in .pdf format.
2. Information provided in presentation must correspond with the information in submitted papers.
3. Presentation should not exceed ten minutes. Additional five minutes will be provided for discussion.

Style Guidelines for Conference Papers

Full research papers addressing one of the ICYS 2013 are invited for submission to the ICYS 2014 Conference Proceedings. The papers may include synthesis and re-interpretation of existing research; theoretically informed critiques of developments in practice as well as theoretically informed empirical and evidence-based studies. The texts of the papers should contain especially the following:

- abstract
- key words
- introduction
- research methods
- results/findings with discussion and conclusions
- references

You are asked to submit two versions of your paper:

- full version of your paper
- "blind copy" of your manuscript by deleting author identification

1. Papers must not exceed 36 000 characters (including spaces), including abstract, figures, references and appendices.
2. Before submitting your paper, please ensure that it has been carefully proof-read for typographical and grammatical errors. Papers will be returned if the standard of English is not considered to be good enough for publication.
3. Papers should be submitted as a .doc or rtf. document attached to an email and sent to the following email address: icysprague@gmail.com
4. Papers must not be sent in PDF format and must not be zipped.



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5. Papers may be created in any common version of Microsoft Word (or in any similar word processing software).
6. The page size should be set to A4 with margins of 2, 54 cm all around. Please do not insert headers, footers or page numbers. Do not refer to page numbers in your text as these will be changed, do not use multiple columns.
7. Put the title of the paper in bold, centre aligned, at the top of the first page only.
8. On the next line put the names of the authors. Give first and last name, in that order. Do not use all caps.

Where all authors are from the same institution, the following format should be used:

Lead Author, Co-author One, Co-Author Two

Institute, Town, Country

leadauthor@email.com

co-authorone@email.com

co-authortwo@email.com

Multiple authors from different institutions should appear as:

Lead author₁, Second Author₂ and Third Author₁

₁ The department, faculty and name of institute, Town, Country

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9. A 300 word abstract should follow.
10. Include up to 6 keywords or phrases.
11. Do not use multiple levels of heading.
12. The main body of the text should be in Times New Roman 12 point, single-spaced. Please use normal capitalization within the text and do not use bold face for emphasis. Italics are acceptable. All headings should use initial capitals only, except for use of acronyms.
13. You may include bulleted or numbered lists.
14. Figures and tables should be placed as close to their reference point in the text as possible. All figures and tables must have titles and must be referenced from within the text. Avoid colour diagrams as the proceedings will be printed in black and white. Images must be inserted as picture files (.gif, .jpg). You may be asked to supply the pictures as separate files.
15. Please avoid using the footnotes. Endnotes are not permitted and papers containing them will be returned. All references in text should be made in Harvard referencing style.

For details on referencing in the text and in the list of references, please see this page:

http://education.exeter.ac.uk/dll/studyskills/harvard_referencing.htm



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Information on the peer-review procedure

All the papers submitted by the **20th April 2014** and **presented at the conference** will be considered for the peer-review procedure.

The review procedure consists of two phases:

1. *Preliminary screening by the editorial team in cooperation with other selected experts.*

The aim of the first phase is to identify and exclude papers that do not meet the required academic standard, publication ethics and English standard to be accepted for the peer-review procedure.

Authors of papers considered for the peer-review obtain first feed-back to their papers and get the chance to finalize their papers in accordance with the comments of the editors prior to the entire peer-review.

2. *Double blind peer-review*

Paper proposals meeting the required academic standards are reviewed by international reviewers and are rated as one of the following:

- Accept
- Accept with minor revisions
- Revise and resubmit
- Reject

Please note:

The editorial decision based on the outcomes of the peer-review is **final**.