



Call for Papers

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

19th International Conference of Young Scholars Prague

“Europe Inspiring”

which will be held on **24 April 2015** at the **University of Economics, Prague**

Step by step, the European Union seems to be overcoming the recent financial and economic crisis. Yet, there are still many problems, which Europe has to face. Results of the last European Parliament's elections have proved that there has been a dramatic increase in skepticism among EU citizens about the European project. The EU also sees new problems arising at its borders, which it must respond to. On the other hand, new integration initiatives, such as the European banking union, have been launched. It is also worth noting that the EU has been the most successful peaceful integration project in human history. It has been steadily growing, overcoming crises and reinventing itself when necessary. In spite of all the challenges with which it is confronted, we believe the European Union still retains its power to both attract and inspire. Or does it? What does Europe mean to the rest of the world? What is the relationship between Europe and the European Union? And is the EU still a model worth following? What are the prospects of European integration, where is it heading, and what is its place on the current world stage? How does Europe inspire others by its values, ideals and its particular way of life? Or is the prosperity resulting from economic integration more attractive than the EU's soft power? Both theoretical and empirical studies focusing on these and related issues are called for. Participants are also invited to cover other aspects, problems and challenges which the EU and the broader Europe are facing.

How to participate

1. By 30 January 2015, propose a paper at <http://icys.vse.cz/>.
2. By 13 February 2015, applicants will receive a notification of acceptance and further information.
3. By 27 February 2015, register to attend at <http://icys.vse.cz/>.
4. By 17 April 2015, submit a paper or a presentation (if you will not publish in RMSJM – see below).

Conference fees: No conference fees will be charged.

Outputs of the conference

All participants of the conference will have the opportunity to publish their papers in a new peer-reviewed journal entitled **Jan Masaryk Review of International Studies (RMSJM)**, published by the Jan Masaryk Centre of International Studies, Faculty of International Relations, University of Economics, Prague, online at <http://smsjm.vse.cz/rmsjm/>. The journal is also open for papers not presented at the conference.

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