



WIDER EUROPE, DEEPER INTEGRATION?

CALL FOR PAPERS

EU-CONSENT PhD Market

New challenges for old dilemmas: re-invented Union or status quo?

*Theoretical, institutional and policy dimensions of EU
deepening and widening*

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EU-CONSENT PhD Award 2009

EU-CONSENT's final PhD School will be organised in Brussels jointly by *University of Cologne* (funda.tekin@uni-koeln.de) and *Corvinus University of Budapest* (judit.kisvarga@uni-corvinus.hu).

Date: From 9th February 2009 to 13th February 2009

Location: **Fondation Universitaire**
Rue d'Egmont 11, 1000 Brussels

1. Theme of the PhD Market

After five successful PhD Schools on the most important aspects of EU-CONSENT's research on theoretical, institutional and policy dimensions of EU deepening and widening, the final EU-CONSENT PhD Market will target the following four aims: 1) academic PhD School; 2) career options for young professionals ("Dr. Europe – what comes after the PhD?"); 3) Workshop by PhD students for PhD students; 4) selection of EU-CONSENT PhD Award 2009.

The final PhD School will thematically focus on a broader range of topics related to EU deepening and widening and aims at giving an overview on current research results and theses elaborated



during the four years of the project's lifetime. The PhD School will be dedicated to themes related to each thematic work package such as the institutional impact of enlargement, economic and social policies in a Union of 27 as well as the prospects of a Common Foreign and Security Policy and democracy and European citizenship. The emphasis will be put on the collective and multilevel dimensions of the policy making process in each area, with special focus on the challenges arising from differences in the number and size of member states and long-term aspects of sustainability. Finally, the concluding and overarching session will confront existing normative and analytical approaches as well as theories with new perspectives and visions of the future, allowing for a deeper understanding of the interrelations between deepening and widening that have been discussed. This weeklong PhD school will comprise senior researchers invited to give lectures, and PhD students presenting and discussing their own research.

A special session, called "Dr. Europe – what comes after the PhD?" aims at the presentation and discussion of career options for young professionals. Participating PhD Students will have the opportunity to establish contacts with think tanks, experts and stakeholders. Representatives of EU institutions, foundations or lobbyists will contribute to the debate. Furthermore, possible publishing strategies will be presented by representatives from respective editor houses.

Moreover EU-CONSENT PhD students shall be encouraged to actively organise their own workshop or roundtable according to their interests. This shall give you the opportunity to organise an event according to your personal preferences (for more information, see separate call published 2. September 2008).

This year the EU-CONSENT PhD Award will directly be linked to the PhD Market which means that only papers presented and discussed during the school are eligible for the Award. The selected participants of this PhD School will thus be automatically eligible for the EU-CONSENT PhD Award 2009, which has a yearly budget of € 3.000.

We invite applications from doctoral students that are working in broadly these areas.

The themes to be addressed generally target research on EU deepening and widening and its impact on:

- EU Institutions
- Democracy, Legitimacy and Identities in Europe
- Economic and Social Policies
- The external action including CFSP, ESDP and ENP

Moreover, the following theme will be discussed

- Analytical and normative approaches: re-visiting conceptual ideas and theoretical assumptions on EU deepening and widening



As part of the PhD Market every participant will be presenting and discussing his or her PhD project to fellow PhD students and experts. In addition to presenting a paper based on the doctoral research carried out and which will be eligible to take part in the competition of the PhD Award, each participant will also be expected to act as a discussant to another presentation, and to contribute to the general discussion of paper presentations throughout the school.

2. Application and Selection Procedure

The PhD Market is designed to involve **15** PhD students coming from universities and other institutes belonging to the EU-CONSENT Network of Excellence.

The participants **do not have to pay for their participation**. Accommodation and travel costs will be reimbursed only for those who fully participate in the academic program which is compulsory. Accommodation is organised by University of Cologne. **Travel costs of the participants** (organised by themselves) **will be reimbursed by University of Cologne**.

Applications must be submitted to funda.tekin@uni-koeln.de by 1st November 2008 containing:

- Application form with full contact coordinates (downloadable from the PhD section of the website of EU-CONSENT: www.eu-consent.net)
- 350 word abstract of the applicant's proposed paper for presentation at the PhD School (Word document)
- 300 word synopsis of the doctoral research topic (Word document)
- CV
- a letter of motivation

After the deadline for submission (see below) the organisers will select the appropriate papers. The organisers of the PhD Market will then take the final decision on the participants.

The selected applicants will then be asked to submit the complete papers they intend to present. Papers must be between 6000-8000 words of length and should be sent as Word documents to the organisers by the deadline stipulated below. The selected papers will at the same time be eligible for the PhD Award 2009.



3. IMPORTANT DEADLINES and DATES

Deadline for submissions of paper proposals:	1 st November 2008
Announcement of the selection of participants:	1 st December 2008
Submission of completed papers:	26 th January 2009
Arrival in Brussels:	8 th February 2009
Departure from Brussels:	13 th / 14 th February 2009
Awarding the EU-CONSENT PhD Award winners:	26 March 2009 (Plenary Conference)

4. Short summary of the school:

Duration: 1 week (5/6 nights)

Accommodation costs: Accommodation costs are fully covered for all participants provided that they take part in the academic program.

Academic programme: The academic programme consists of invited lectures by senior researchers on theoretical and empirical aspects of the theme of the school and paper presentations by the participants.

Dr. Europe Representatives of EU institutions, foundations and lobbyists present job perspectives for young professionals. Different publishers are invited to provide information on publication strategies.

Workshop by PhD students for PhD students The participating students are encouraged to organise a workshop or roundtable which could focus on methodology, theories or policies according to their interests, ideas and needs.

PhD Award 2009 This year only papers presented and discussed during the school are eligible for the PhD Award 2009, which has a yearly budget of €3000.

