



Mediterranean Programme

13th Mediterranean Research Meeting

Montecatini Terme, 21-24 March 2012



CALL for PAPERS

Deadline 15 July 2011

Goals

Reaching its Thirteenth Session, the Mediterranean Research Meeting (MRM) aims:

- to foster theoretical and empirical research and dialogue among scholars from countries across the Mediterranean whose research focuses on the Mediterranean
- to cover all Mediterranean areas as widely as possible, with topics relating to the Middle East, North Africa, Southern and South-Eastern Europe, their mutual relationships and their relations with Europe
- to focus on legal, historical, economic and socio-political issues
- to enable junior scholars to meet more senior scholars in an interactive environment, and to promote further research collaboration
- to encourage publication and dissemination of this research in edited volumes, thematic issues of learned journals, and the *Mediterranean Programme Working Papers*

Structure

The MRM 2012 consists of **17** closed workshops.

Each workshop is directed by 2 workshop directors and on average includes 12 participants.

The participants of each workshop meet in four or five sessions for a total of approximately fifteen hours over two and a half days. They discuss papers, general topics, ways to publish the papers, and how to continue collaborative efforts.

Plenary and social events are organised during the MRM. The preliminary programme is available on the MRM web page.

Workshops

1. Youth and Citizenship in a Digital Era
directed by:
Linda Herrera, University of Illinois, USA
Peter Mayo, University of Malta, Malta
2. Religion, Ethnic Identities and State Formation in the MENA Region
directed by:
Christie Kenneth, Royal Roads University, Canada
Mohammed Masad, Zayed University, United Arab Emirates
3. Causes and Effects of the Shadow Economy: MENA and Mediterranean Countries versus Rest of the World
directed by:
Goel Rajeev, Illinois State University, USA
Serdar Sayan, TOBB University of Economics and Technology, Turkey
4. Contextualizing Multiculturalism: Towards a Critical Evaluation
directed by:
Akan Murat, Boğaziçi University, Turkey
Peter Geschiere, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands
5. Regional Energy Initiatives: Medreg and the Energy Community
directed by:
Alessandro Rubino, European University Institute, Italy
Rozeta Karova, Energy Community Secretariat, Austria
6. Managing Water Resources in the Mediterranean Region: A Challenging Matter for the 21st Century
directed by:
Elnaboulsi Jihad, Université de Franche-Comté, France
Georges Nehme, Université Antonie, Lebanon

7. The EU Competition Law Model and the Mediterranean Countries: Lessons from South-East Europe and the EuropeMed Countries
directed by:
Marco Botta, European University Institute, Italy
Juan Antonio Rivière y Martí, DG Competition, European Commission, Belgium
8. International Financial Integration of Mediterranean Economies – Recent Developments and Future Opportunities
directed by:
Marga Peeters, Institute for Advanced Study – Royal Netherlands Academy for Arts and Sciences, The Netherlands
Sabri Nidal Rachid, Birzeit University, Palestine
9. Europe With or Without Muslims – Narratives of Europe
directed by:
Göran Larsson, Gothenburg University, Sweden
Antonina Zhelyazkova, International Center for Minority Studies and Intercultural Relations, Bulgaria
10. Political and Constitutional Accommodation of Ethno-Linguistic Conflicts in Southern Europe
directed by:
Nikos Skoutaris, Maastricht University, The Netherlands
Elias Dinas, Oxford University, England
11. Political Governance and Regulatory Enforcement Activity in Competition and Consumer Protection Regulation: Comparing Experiences
directed by:
Yane Svetiev, Brooklyn Law School, USA
Hans-Wolfgang Micklitz, European University Institute, Italy
12. Diaspora Politics and Diaspora Policies
directed by:
Paul Tabar, Lebanese American University, Lebanon
Thibaut Jaulin, European University Institute, Italy
13. Changing Patterns of Cooperation and Security in the Mediterranean Region
directed by:
Patricia Bauer, Cairo University, Egypt
Francesca Longo, Catania University, Italy
14. Ethno-Confessional Mobilizations and Secular Nationalisms in the Balkans and the Middle East: The Myth of Religious and Secular Nationalisms as Antipodes
directed by:
Ana Devic, Dogus University, Turkey
İştar Gözaydin, Sabanci University, Istanbul Policy Center, Turkey

15. Mediterranean Tragedies: Disasters and Epidemics in the MENA Region
directed by:
Sofiane Bouhdiba, University of Tunis, Tunisia
Julien Gardaix, University of Orleans, France
16. Religion, Democracy and Civil Liberties: Theoretical Perspectives and Empirical Ramifications
directed by:
Jeffrey Haynes, London Metropolitan University, England
Guy Ben-Porat, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel
17. Ethno-Religious Diversity and Cultural Innovation in the Medieval Mediterranean
directed by:
Brian Catlos, University of Colorado, USA
Sharon Kinoshita, University of California Santa Cruz, USA

How to apply

Candidates **apply online** by submitting:

- The filled out **online application form**:

<http://www.rscas.org/application/?p=apply&appl=mrms2012>,

including the paper proposal of 500 – 1000 words, in English.

- A Curriculum vitae of max 5 pages.

It is possible to apply for more than one workshop. In that case an applicant should submit the on-line application form **for each workshop separately**.

However, if an applicant is selected for more than one workshop, s/he should choose **only one**, as all the workshops are held simultaneously.

Co-authored papers can be proposed, but the Mediterranean Programme is only able to financially support **one of the authors**.

The Mediterranean Programme can agree that additional co-authors participate in the MRM but they have to pay their own travel and accommodation.

Selection

Workshop directors select the paper proposals, and the results of the selection process will be communicated to all applicants by 15 September **2011**.

The full final paper should be submitted by 15 February 2012.

By submitting a paper for the MRM, a participant is agreeing to **MRM Participation and**

Copyright Agreement.

All selected candidates need to confirm their participation by e-mail to academic.medmeet@eui.eu within 10 days of the receipt of an invitation to participate.

Participants should guarantee their participation in all sessions of their workshop.

Working languages

A good working knowledge of English is required. There will be no translation or interpretation services available.

Papers should be written and presented in either English or French.

All abstracts accompanying the final version of the paper should be written in English.

Accommodation and travel costs

Participants receive a **travel allowance** based on their country of residence (independent of their nationality). This is a flat amount no matter what the actual travel costs are. **Please see Information for Participants before applying.**

If you are receiving money from another institution to cover your travel costs you will not be granted the travel allowance from the MRM.

Participants pay for their own accommodation costs. However, they will benefit from a special discount rate that hotels offer to the MRM.