

Hellenic American University, Manchester, New Hampshire, USA, in cooperation with Hellenic American College, Athens, Greece, announce the

Call for Papers

for the 1st International Conference on “Europe in Discourse: Identity, Diversity, Borders”

Athens, 23-25 September 2016



CALL for PAPERS

Papers are invited for the 1st International Conference on [Europe in Discourse: Identity, Diversity, Borders](#), which will take place in Athens, Greece, September 23rd through 25th 2016.

The conference is a unique opportunity to bring together different perspectives and methodologies involved in shaping the complexities and contradictions of current European identity discourses. A fundamental methodological pluralism is considered a key condition for addressing these complexities and contradictions at a time of crisis.

The conference aims to bring together researchers interested in analyzing European identities in various discourses. Researchers from many different disciplines will investigate historical, geopolitical, geo-cultural, geo-economic and social perspectives on Europe. The conference also invites contributions that explore the role of diversity and borders in forging and re-shaping European identities.

Conference Themes

Scholars are invited to submit papers that draw on discourse theories, linguistic or textual analysis to investigate topics that include:

- Historical, geo-cultural, geo-economic and geopolitical aspects of European identities
- Europe: super-diverse and globalized
- Images of crisis and recovery in Europe
- Conceptual blending, discourse and metaphors about Europe
- Translation and linguistic (in)equality in Europe
- Refugees and asylum seekers in EU discourses
- European diversity through religion and culture
- Discourses on the European economic crisis
- Discursive constructions of borders

- Political discourse in the European Union
- Media constructions of European identities
- Ethnographic approaches to European identity-making
- Construction of European narratives
- Extreme right populist discourses in EU
- Discourses of integration/assimilation in the EU

Presentation Formats and Abstracts

Proposals for participation in the 1st International Conference on Europe in Discourse: Identity, Diversity, Borders can be submitted in the following formats:

Oral Communications

Oral communications, which consist of a 20-minute presentation followed by a 10-minute discussion, will be submitted in response to the general theme(s) of the conference mentioned below. Abstracts for oral communications should be no longer than 500 words and list five keywords.

Deadline for oral communications: **November 30th 2015**

Posters

Posters can form a scientific contribution related to methodologies and or topics of the Conference and is better presented graphically. A poster should be prepared as in A1 or A0 format.

The authors should prepare their proposal that includes: title, names, affiliations, locations (city, state, and country) a mini abstract (up to 100 words), and 2-3 keywords; All poster proposals are subject to peer-review.

At least one co-author/presenter of the Poster must be registered for the conference.

Deadline for posters: **November 30th 2015**

Themed Panels

Proposals for panels must be submitted **online** as a single document, single-spaced in 12-point type. Panel proposals should include a brief overview of the theme, a title of the panel, and 4 to 5 abstract of papers, each to be delivered within 30 minutes (a 20-minute presentation followed by a 10-minute period for questions).

The names of the panel presenters should be omitted from the document to enable double-blind review. However, panel organizers should include their name.

Acceptance notifications will be sent to panel organizers.

Please submit your panel proposal through the website following the guidelines under the [SUBMIT YOUR PANEL PROPOSAL](#)

Deadline for panel submissions: **December 18th 2015**

Evaluation Process, Criteria and Notification

All abstracts will be peer-reviewed and ranked by the Conference Scientific Committee. Abstracts will be assessed using the following criteria.

Scientific strength. Contributions should:

- offer significant contributions to the development of the discipline and point to future research agendas; and
- present innovative or interdisciplinary approaches, including novel collaborations or syntheses across sub-disciplines or with other related disciplines.

Integration: Proposals *may* receive higher priority if they are clearly linked to the conference overall theme and are solidly grounded in discourse or textual analysis. All proposals will be evaluated by the Scientific Committee.

Notification of acceptance for oral communications will be sent by **December 15th 2015**

Other Policies

One-Presentation Rule

Proponents are entitled to submit only one abstract as a first author. Speakers agreeing to present papers in panels also follow the one-presentation rule, i.e. someone who is first author or presenter cannot also be first author or presenter for another paper. The one-paper rule does not apply to plenaries.

Presentations in absentia

If presenters are unable to come to present their paper on the day of conference, they are encouraged to send a paper along with a narrated Powerpoint file and present in absentia. Papers on the conference theme presented in absentia are eligible to be included in Conference Materials and Proceedings.

Plenary Speakers

Jan Blommaert, Tilburg University, Hellenic American University

Michał Krzyżanowski, Örebro University

Andreas Musolff, University of East Anglia

Ambassador George Prevelakis, Permanent Representative to the OECD

Erik Swyngedouw, Manchester University

Ruth Wodak, Lancaster University, Hellenic American University.

Scientific Committee

Please consult the [home page](#) of the website for a list of the Scientific Committee.

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