2017 Paper prize for researchers in early stages of their career

We are delighted to announce the 2017 round of our annual journal article prize competition, in collaboration with the journal *Comparative European Politics* (CEP). This is an opportunity developed specifically for researchers in early stages of their career, to support publication of excellent work among younger scholars. It provides a valuable route to publication in a top journal, together with the opportunity to have work recognised amongst a large community of scholars in both European studies and IPE.

We invite papers that speak to the remit of the network and the journal (see below). We especially encourage scholars to submit papers presented at the annual CES conference or in our pre-conference doctoral workshop, but other submissions are also welcome.

Paper submissions for consideration of the prize have to be original, English-language, unpublished work, written during the doctoral stage of the author or submitted within three years of the PhD’s completion in the case of early career researchers. Papers should not exceed a length of 8,000 words, including notes and references, and should follow the Instructions for Authors specified by the journal. Past winning papers can be found [here](#).

The prize jury consists of two members of the network board, as well as a member of the CEP editorial board and an independent reviewer. Please submit your papers to Regine Paul (regine.paul@uni-bielefeld.de) by **31st January 2018** at the latest. All papers submitted will be peer-reviewed by our jury and the outcome of the competition will be announced in the spring of 2018. The winning paper will also be announced at the CES conference in Chicago in March 2018, and will be fast-tracked for publication in *Comparative European Politics*, pending any required revisions after peer-review.

We look forward to receiving many interesting papers!

Best wishes,

Dermot Hodson, Alison Johnston, Erik Jones, Regine Paul, Aidan Regan and Vivien Schmidt (the network board), and Ben Rosamund (co-editor *Comparative European Politics*)
Remit of CES Network European Integration and Global Political Economy

This network has a dual focus. It analyzes the extent to which the EU impacts on-going reform dynamics in a post-crisis context, focusing on the ideational and strategic influence of the EU on key actors, and how they impact countries with differing institutional legacies and contexts. It also focuses on governance and decision-making through the Lisbon Treaty in a broad range of policy areas, and how these relate to issues of popular legitimacy and contestation in the EU.

About the journal Comparative European Politics

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