

**THESEUS PhD Workshop 2016**  
**Sciences Po (Paris), 21 – 22 January 2016**

**Call for Proposals**

***Recovering from the crisis? The uncertain state of the EU***

Since 2007 the European network THESEUS aims at fostering an open and constructive dialogue between academia and politics but also between generations about the future challenges of Europe. THESEUS is a joint activity of the Centre d'études européennes at Sciences Po Paris, the Jean Monnet Chair of the University of Cologne, the Brussels-based Think Tank Trans European Policy Studies Association and the Fritz Thyssen Foundation in Cologne. For further information about the project and its activities please visit [www.theseus-europe.net](http://www.theseus-europe.net).

The THESEUS PhD workshop 2016 is aimed at enabling PhD candidates to exchange ideas and discuss their research with their peers and senior academic colleagues.

**Topic:**

The European Union had been deeply affected by the economic crisis that started in 2008. There are evidences that this crisis impacted not only on the trust vis-à-vis the EU but also on the capacity of EU institutions to legislate. Since, the Europeans also faced many other challengers: the Eurozone unbalances, migration fluxes, geopolitical threat in the East, energy and environment issues. This doctoral workshop proposes to question the state of the EU given those many challengers. Are European institutions recovering somehow now that the peak of the crisis seems behind us? Do they have the capacity to face all the emerging challengers?

We welcome proposals from any disciplinary fields of European studies from PhD students as well as young doctors. They will be discussed by recognized scholars from Sciences Po and the University of Cologne.

**Convenors:**

The convenors of the doctoral seminar are Professors Renaud Dehousse from the Centre d'études européennes at Sciences Po and Wolfgang Wessels, Jean Monnet Chair, University of Cologne.

**How to apply:**

Please send a short abstract to Olivier Rozenberg, Ass Professor in the Centre d'études européennes [olivier.rozenberg@sciencespo.fr](mailto:olivier.rozenberg@sciencespo.fr) until 15<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

Candidates should send an abstract of 500 words describing their research questions, data, methods, and expected findings. The propositions must fit with criteria such as excellence and thematic proximity to the seminar.

Proposals from all domains of social sciences are eligible.

The best paper will be published in *Politiques européennes*.

Part of the costs are covered.

**Seminar format:**

The format will be as follows: papers are circulated prior to the seminar; participants present 20-25 minutes, followed by feedback from a senior researcher and a 20 minutes open discussion.

The working language of the seminar is English.

**TIMELINE:**

**Submission of abstracts: November 15, 2015**

Decision on applications: November 30, 2015

Publication of the programme: January 4, 2016

**Submission of papers: January 4, 2016**

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The conference will be hosted by the Centre d'études européennes.

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