

GEOPOLITICAL SUMMER SCHOOL 2017

The EU and Changing Geopolitical Dynamics

(organized by IPS FSV UK – Geopolitical Studies Research Centre)

Date: 9 – 15th July 2017

Location: Prague, Institute of Political Studies

Language: English

Target audience: University students enrolled in Bachelor's, Master's or PhD's degree programs in Geopolitics, Area Studies, Political Science, International Relations and Economics and other relevant fields., professionals working for International Organisations and government agencies, diplomats, , people working in various economic sectors, and other interested individuals. There are no age or country limits for the application.

ECTS: 4 Credits

Course fee: 390 EUR (the fee does not cover travel bursaries, accommodation, dinners, medical insurance, and pocket money. We not offer stipends to attend the summer school)

What is included: Tuition (all teaching, discussion oriented seminars, discussions and workshops - application current events, final group presentations, evaluation, evening program (welcome party, guided tours, excursions etc., reading materials (an on-line version will be at your disposal after enrolling), coffee breaks and lunches, airport-pickup, assistance during your stay in Prague-

Accommodation: 120 EUR per person sharing.¹

Deadline: 30th June 2017. Please fill in the application form and send it, along with your CV to martin.riegl@fsv.cuni.cz by 30th June 2017. The selected participants will be notified (preliminary admitted students will be asked to confirm their attendance and pay the programme fee within 2 weeks.² 45 application forms received for the previous Summer school, 30% of students were admitted).

Number of participants: 10 to 15

Academic Staff: members of GPS Research Centre and external experts

Literature: Will be provided free of charge.

1 Students will be staying in a dormitory of Charles University situated in University campus in Jinonice. It is within walking distance to the Summer School venue (1 minute). Address: IPS FSV UK, U Kříže 8, Prague 5, 150 00.

2 The fee is non-refundable in case of non-participation in the summer school (the sum will be used on administration costs, storno fees, transfer fees, labour costs and storno fees).

Description of Geopolitical Summer School:

The *Summer school* programme is designed to give participants an opportunity to gain a profound knowledge of ongoing processes and events shaping and influencing the dynamic geopolitical environment surrounding Europe with a particular focus on the EU's position and the role within it. Students will be introduced to the key concepts and theories. Simulation and practical exercises will be also employed to enable the students to apply the knowledge gained to solve problems, which could occur in real-world scenarios.

- The Geopolitical Summer School has a highly interactive character, with a focus on the various geopolitical traditions.
- The module offers lectures, workshops and final presentations.
- It also involves an individual and a group assignment.

Lectures:

- Introduction: geopolitical theories and their relevance
- Geopolitical schools of thought (introduction)
- Europe – the continent of borders and crisis
- EU's position in the current global order, great power politics and global power shifts
- An analysis of the deteriorating geopolitical environment: EU perspective
- Political risk analysis and foreign policy analysis
- Geopolitics of Political Islam
- EU and threat of terrorism (NSTA – ISIL, Boko Haram, Al-Shabaab)
- Migration crisis, border hardening, border studies, territoriality
- EU and Russia: before and beyond the crisis in Ukraine
- EU disintegration tendencies (rise of populist parties, hybrid warfare)
- EU: before and beyond the migration crisis
- V4 ending on periphery of changing EU or changing the EU?
- Central Europe and energy security
- EU and future scenarios (federalist leap, slow decline or collapse)