



Call for papers: "German politics in the new millennium"

46th Annual conference of the International Association for the Study of German Politics Düsseldorf University Conference Centre 14th – 15th May 2020

2020 promises to be another fascinating year in Germany, Austria and Switzerland. German takes on the Presidency of the Council of the European Union in the second half of 2020, while there are growing questions about who will succeed Chancellor Angela Merkel, and indeed the future of the grand coalition government following the SPD's change of leadership. Its party system seems to be reshaping, with the Greens on the rise and the AfD seemingly becoming established. There are growing questions about its role in the world too: conflict with the USA over trade, Russia and military expenditure call into question its commitment to the Transatlantic alliance. In Austria, a new ÖVP/Green government has taken office after a tumultuous year, and Switzerland too is working through the consequences of its recent elections.

In the light of those events and in collaboration with the Düsseldorf Party Research Institute (PRuF), the 46th annual conference of the International Association for the Study of German Politics seeks to understand German politics, and the politics of other German-speaking countries, as we enter the new millennium. Papers addressing any aspect of German politics and international relations will be welcome, as will papers on the politics of other German-speaking countries. You should be prepared to circulate a written version of the paper at least two weeks before the conference. The Association especially encourages women, and young scholars from around the world to submit their papers.

The conference will feature our annual German Politics Lecture, and an informal reception and conference dinner. Taking part in the conference is a great opportunity to meet people working on German politics from a range of countries, career stages, and disciplinary approaches. Also, editors and reviewers of our peer-reviewed journal *German Politics* will be present.

As in previous years, the IASGP will keep the conference fee, including conference dinner and other refreshments, low. Travel bursaries will be provided to postgraduate students and others who would face a financial barrier to participation, to enable them to give papers. Furthermore, financial provision will be made available to those who need to organise childcare in Düsseldorf to facilitate attendance at the conference. Details of rates are as below.

Abstracts of not more than 500 words should be sent by 15th February 2020 to intagp@gmail.com. Registration for the conference will open in March 2020.

Further details:

Timetable:

15th February 2020: Deadline for submission of abstracts 15th March 2020: Programme published / registration opens

15th April 2020: Registration deadline

1st May 2020: Deadline for paper circulation

14th – 15th May 2020: Conference

Conference fees (including lunch on both days, refreshments and conference dinner):

Normal rate: £50

Rate for doctoral students and those who would face a financial barrier to participation: £10 In addition, attendees should be members of the IASGP (£31 standard, £8 student per year).

Travel / accommodation bursaries to those presenting papers who are doctoral students or who would face a financial barrier to participation:

Germany outside Düsseldorf / Cologne / Bonn: £150

Europe outside Germany: £250

Outside Europe: £500

The Düsseldorf Party Research Institute (PRuF) has reserved a contingent of hotel rooms for a reduced price:

1. Mercure Hotel

25 single rooms available between the 13rd and 16th May 2020 for € 99,00 per night including breakfast

!! Keyword "PRuF" up to the 15th of April 2020!!

Free cancellation is possible until 3 weeks prior to arrival.

Address:

Am Stresemannplatz 1 40210 Düsseldorf

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2. Motel One

15 single rooms available between the 14th and 15th May 2020 for € 80,50 per night including breakfast

!! Reservation number: 539272073 !!

Free cancellation is possible until 2 weeks prior to arrival.

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