5th Annual General Conference of the European Political Science Association

**Date:** 25-27 June 2015

**Venue:** Vienna, at the Schloss Schönbrunn Conference Venue and Springer Schlößl Tagungszentrum.

**Call for Papers:** Closed in December 2014.

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EPSA's fifth annual conference will take place from June 25 to June 27 in one of Vienna’s UNESCO world heritage sites: Schloss Schönbrunn. Vienna is a great place for a conference: the best coffee houses in the world, vineyards and beer gardens never far away, the culinaric home of the Sachertorte, the Schnitzel, and the Tafelspitz, Vienna also claims itself for having invented classical music – find Mozart’s grave on Sankt Marxer Friedhof.

Schloss Schönbrunn is one of the most important Baroque residences in Europe. The original plan intended it to exceed Versailles in size, but the Habsburg monarchy failed to provide the financial means to conclude the buildings as planned. Equally important are the gardens of Schönbrunn which span over roughly three square kilometres and today include a public swimming pool and a zoo.
The conference will take place in buildings adjoining the Orangerie and its garden. The conference venue, called the Apothecary's Wing, was founded in 2008 and underwent major extensions in 2014. The venue combines an urban location and an oasis of greenery, state-of-the-art equipment and a historic setting, and it will be a supreme location for EPSA's fifth annual conference.

EPSA expects 700-750 participants at Vienna. We will have roughly 180 panels on all issues of modern political science. Participants will find plenty of opportunity to discuss their work, to network or to simply relax in the beautiful setting of the park and the conference venue.

Vienna is definitely one of Europe's "In" cities. The ten things to do before you die in Vienna list certainly includes a visit to Schönbrunn, but Vienna is a cultural powerhouse, and it has a very relaxed atmosphere. EPSA's biased 10 things to do list include: an evening at a Heurigen, a visit to the Natural History Museum, a Sunday at the Wienerwald, a guided tour following Harry Lime and the 3rd Man, and of course some interesting EPSA panels.

EPSA's annual conference is a general political science conference and as such, invites the presentation of cutting edge research results from all fields of political science and all types of interdisciplinary research with a political component.

Conference committee co-chairs: Thomas Plümper and Anja Neundorf.

The 2015 conference committee consists of five broad categories, under which there will also be specific sections.

- Political Behavior, Parties and Elections. Co-chairs: Mary Stegmaier and Heike Kluever
- Political Organizations
- Political Behavior
- Political Sociology
- Political Communication
- Political Economy
- Political Geography
- Formal Analysis of Institutions and Decisions
- International Politics and Conflict Research. Co-chairs: Halvard Buhaug (PRIO) and Frank Schimmelfennig.
- International Relations
- International Organization
- International Conflict and Civil Wars
- Foreign Policy
- Country Studies (American, German, Chinese Politics, Arab, Asian)
- Regional Politics
- EU Politics
- Legislative Politics
- Political Methodology. Chair: Dominik Hangartner (in collaboration with the Society for Political Methodology).
- Quantitative Methods
- Big Data
- Text Analysis
- Survey Methods
- Measurement
- Qualitative Methods

Sections are designed to be inclusive rather than exclusive. EPSA does not have the size of APSA and can therefore not usefully split paper proposals into more sections and still generate the best combination of papers into panels. Nevertheless, we do not intend to exclude any subfield of political science from participation. EPSA also uses a 2-stage selection mechanism that guarantees that no proposal gets rejected for lack of fit to our 'sections'.

Organized Panel Proposals. EPSA invites the submission of panel proposals. According to a decision of the council, we will select two organized panels. The accepted panel proposals will be especially presented in the program and at the conference.

Note: Discounted rates apply to student members for the annual conference. (EPSA may also be joined separately here.)

For general questions about the conference or questions about the proposal submission software, or about proposals or the proposal submission process please address queries to conference@epsanet.org.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

{dt_head} Is there a preliminary programme?{dt_details} Not yet but we will have one in late March or early April 2015. In the meantime you can browse the list of papers accepted here. {dt_end}

{dt_head} How do I submit a paper for the conference? {dt_details} You cannot: the call for papers ended in December 2014. {dt_end}

{dt_head} When is the registration for the conference? {dt_details} Registration for the conference is possible through http://conference.epsanet.org. {dt_end}