



Amsterdam Centre for European Studies UvA Research Priority Area

Combined call for the organisation of academic conferences and workshops in 2024

The Amsterdam Centre for European Studies (ACES) pursues the ambition to be a leading international Centre of Excellence for interdisciplinary research, education, and public debate on contemporary Europe, the European Union and its Member States. It has been designated an UvA Research Priority Area and a Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence.

ACES welcomes proposals for academic conferences (or workshops) to be organised and taking place in calendar year 2024. The deadline for submission is **May 3rd, 2024**. Proposals should be sent to aces@uva.nl with 'proposal academic conference' in the subject line.

Eligibility: all current ACES affiliates employed at the University of Amsterdam (including PhD candidates and postdoctoral researchers)

Academic conferences/workshops are (usually one-day) events where a topic with a distinct European dimension is addressed. They typically bring together a combination of ACES affiliates and external speakers. Proposals that cut across ACES Research Themes are especially welcome. Moreover, all applications need to demonstrate their interdisciplinary input, with the engagement of affiliates from at least 2 participating Faculties.

Cooperation with external partners is also encouraged, as is co-sponsorship and co-funding. The requested funding should not exceed **€ 5,000**. Academic conferences/workshops are (usually one-day) events where a topic with a distinct European dimension is addressed. The event should produce tangible outcomes, such as a proposal for a special issue of a journal, or an edited book. Conferences and workshops more targeted to public engagement and dissemination should make this aspect of the event clear in the application.

Proposals for hybrid conferences are accepted. The ACES office will provide assistance in organising the conference, be it online or on location. Participants travelling from outside Europe should either participate through video link, or if in person, their presence on-site should also contribute to an event for the broader ACES community (separate from the proposed conference).

A proposal for an academic conference should include:

- a rationale and key questions to be addressed
- a brief description of the target audience (including but not limited ACES Themes and affiliates)
- a programme, including proposed speakers



- a proposed date and venue (if requested, ACES can facilitate the reservation of a slot at SPUI25 for a short public lecture or talk. Organizers intending to arrange a lecture at SPUI25 are requested to include this information in their proposal)
- a budget, which should cover travel, accommodation, catering and a conference dinner. Where justified by the ambition of the conference and feasible within the Centre's overall budget, proposals for higher amounts will be considered
- projected outcomes

Selection criteria include contribution to ACES's mission, quality and feasibility of the proposal and projected outcomes. For any queries, please contact aces@uva.nl