

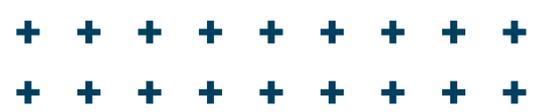


**EISA exists to promote
and advance
the interdisciplinary
field of International
Studies in Europe
and beyond.**



EISA ANNUAL REPORT

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Introduction



Dear friends and colleagues,

The Annual Report for 2023 outlined the EISA's growing membership, financial consolidation through a steady growth in revenues, existing and newly-devised funding initiatives to support colleagues in need as well as the association's expanded cooperation with C-IN.

The Annual Report for 2024 provides detailed information about the wide range of EISA activities in the past 12 months.

In the 2023 Audit Report, our auditors welcomed the solid nature of EISA finances sustained by a variety of different income sources while noting that "given that EISA is a non-profit organization...there are no particular reasons for EISA to have a significantly larger buffer than what its annual budget is." Thus, as the Governing Board, we have reviewed our existing funding instruments and increased both the amount per person and the number of PEC and EWIS mobility funds. In 2024, we gave 40 PEC Mobility Grants amounting to €400 each (€300 in 2023) and €16,000 in total (€12.300 in 2023). EWIS mobility grants have also been increased from €300 in 2023 to €400 in 2024 totaling €10,400 (€6,000 in 2023). In 2024, we gave 5 Postdoctoral Bridge Grants each worth €3,500. The total amount allocated is €5,000 Euro more than in the previous year when this grant scheme was introduced. Again in 2024, we introduced EISA Dissertation Fieldwork Support Grants as a new funding scheme designed for PhD candidates who lack finances for fieldwork travel as a crucial part of writing their dissertations in International Studies. In the first round, which took place in 2024, we gave seven grants amounting to €3,500 each. In total, throughout 2024 the EISA allocated €63,750 to support its membership. This amount was €18,200 in 2022 and €32,400 in 2023.

Our grant policy is solidarity-based and is part of our mission to promote inclusivity and diversity within the association. It is a response to growing structural problems facing academia as well as global inequalities of mobility curbing access to academic events for colleagues from the Global South. Regarding the latter, the current board has taken initiatives to move the EISA's flagship events to places with relatively more favorable mobility regimes. The choice of Istanbul for EWIS 2024 was motivated by our goal to be more inclusionary and diverse. The same motivation has been behind the selection of Izmir as EWIS 2026 location.

2024 witnessed the further growth of the following EISA portfolios: the EISA-Oxford University Press Book Series 'Voices in International Relations', the VOICES podcast, online events, awards and the ECD group. I wish to thank all Governing Board members and the wider membership, who contributed to these initiatives as participants, committee members, event organizers, etc.

I am grateful to EISA members without whose labour, commitment and dedication our activities would not have been possible. Thank you for your involvement, support and feedback.

In this Annual Report, you will read in detail what the EISA has done in 2024. Please let us know if you have any questions and ideas.

With this annual report, I would also like to take farewell as my term as the EISA President and Governing Board member will end at PEC 2025 in Bologna. Serving on the EISA Governing Board has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my career. I am confident that the existing and incoming Governing Board members will further strengthen the EISA and work to make it the leading IR association in the world.

Best wishes,

Beste İşleyen

President of the European

International Studies Association (2023–2025)

Who We Are

EISA exists to promote and advance the interdisciplinary field of International Studies in Europe and beyond. As a member-driven association, we provide a range of innovative events—from small-scale symposia for exploratory projects to our flagship Pan-European Conferences (PEC) and European Workshops in International Studies (EWIS)—where scholars and practitioners from around the world can discuss the latest developments in the field. EISA promotes inclusivity by prioritising a diverse range of voices at our events and in our association practices. We are committed to ensuring that our academic community remains an accessible and welcoming space to all International Studies scholars who share our founding ethos of pluralism, scholarly innovation and critical dialogue.

EISA is managed by a Governing Board of 12 elected members who serve on a voluntary basis. Within this, 3 elected members serve on the Executive Committee (President, Executive Secretary and Treasurer). An annual General Assembly ensures that the views of members on core association business are taken into account.

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Governing Board 2023–2025

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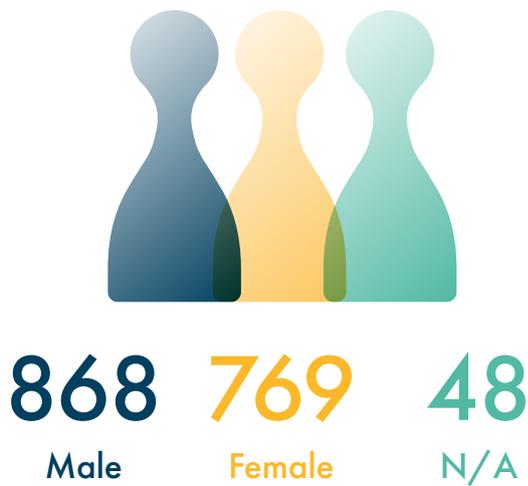
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(Accounting, C-IN)

Membership

Membership by Gender

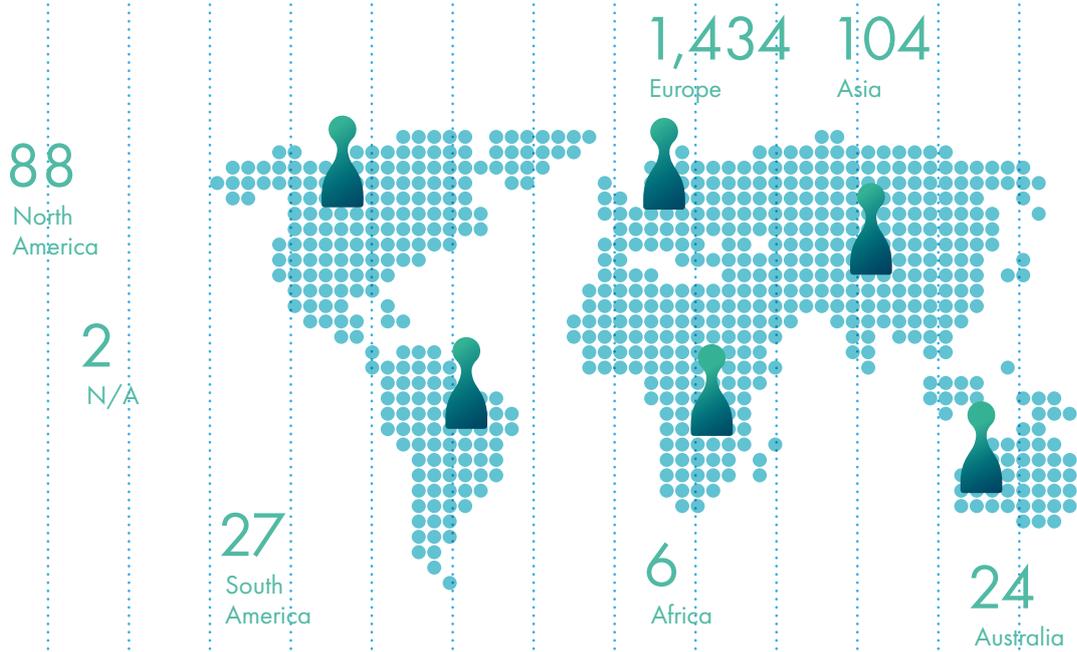


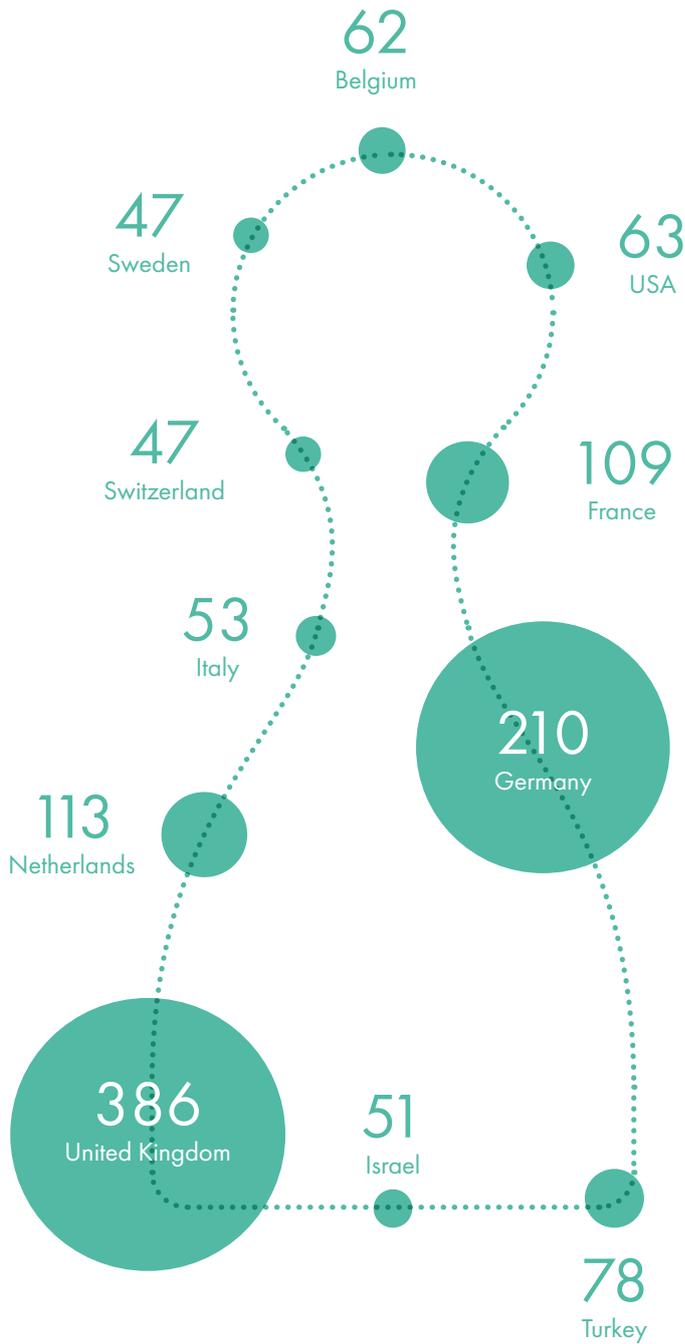
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1,685

Total number of members in 2024

Membership by Continents





Top
10
countries
by members

Membership registration in 2024

1,405
Number of paid registrations

€84,540
Collected membership fees

Membership by Renewals

804
New members

873
Renewals

8
Honorary members

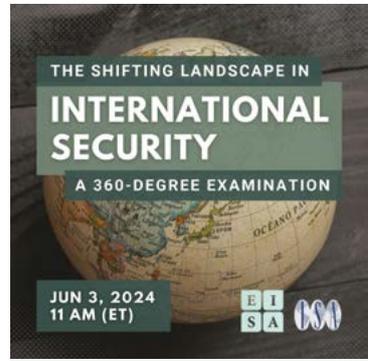
Membership registration by period



Events



In 2024, the EISA's annual events, the European Workshops in International Studies (EWIS), the Pan-European Conference (PEC) and the Rapallo Exploratory Symposia were held. Each event displayed a great variety and richness in terms of their respective scientific and social programme. In addition, the EISA organizes virtual events for its membership throughout the year. Activities range from professional development for the ECD community to expert panels on contemporary international politics.



Virtual events



VIRTUAL EVENT

After the Ballots: U.S. Leadership and Foreign Policy in a New Era?

11 November 2024

In the immediate aftermath of the U.S. presidential elections, this online roundtable brought together experts from both sides of the Atlantic to assess the election results and explore what they reveal about the trajectory of US politics and foreign policy. With insights from within the U.S. and perspectives from around the world, the panel dissected the unique dynamics of this election. Key topics included the deepening polarization, the status of populism, challenges to bipartisanship, and the evolving relationship between the Presidency and Congress. On the international front, participants discussed the foreign policy priorities of the new administration, including critical areas like Ukraine, the Middle East, China, and multilateralism. In addition, the panel explored how the world perceives these election results and what global expectations are for America's next chapter.

VIRTUAL EVENT

Charting Your Course to Publication: Insights from Journal Editors

19 June 2024

In this online event, we brought together esteemed editors from leading peer-reviewed journals to share their invaluable expertise and provide guidance to scholars at all career stages. They demystified the course to a publication starting from choosing the appropriate journal and preparing your manuscript, to handling feedback and reviewers' expectations. Our goal was to offer attendees the opportunity to explore the publication process and the elements of a high-quality journal article.



VIRTUAL EVENT

The Shifting Landscape in International Security: A 360-Degree View

3 June 2024

The shifting landscape in international security presented multifaceted challenges, from the resurgence of great power competition to violence inflicted by both state and non-state actors. ISA and EISA discussed some of the most pressing security challenges facing the world today. Christopher Baker-Beall analyzed perceptions of risk in security studies and disaster management. Neil Oculi covered climate change, with a focus on small developing islands. Regionally, Balkan Devlen addressed Russia's war against Ukraine in 2024 and beyond and its implications for international security, while Daniela Verena Huber delved into the global reaction to the Israel/Gaza war, highlighting how it indicates a deep crisis of the international liberal order and a rise of multiplexity in global affairs.



VIRTUAL EVENT

Education for Impact: Navigating Global Challenges through Reinvented International Studies Curricula

6 February 2024

In this transformative age of disruption, this workshop aspired to serve as an essential platform to confront a paramount question: How should we adapt and reshape the landscape of international studies education to equip our students for the multifaceted challenges of the 21st century? This workshop was designed to be an essential resource for participants seeking a deeper understanding of the nuanced process of curriculum building tailored to our current age. It offered a unique opportunity to bridge the gap between knowledge and competences, learning outcomes and teaching and assessment methods in the context of international studies education.

Tailored for colleagues interested in crafting a Programme's curriculum and those engaged in creating specific course outlines, the workshop promises to be a dynamic exploration of effective educational strategies. In three hours, participants gained insights into the integration of knowledge and competences necessary for navigating the intricate webs of our interconnected world. The workshop not only aimed to equip educators with the tools to navigate disruption but also to empower them to cultivate an educational environment that actively engages students in addressing the pressing global issues of our time. This enriching experience showcased cases and best practices from Universities across Europe, offering a diverse array of perspectives and approaches to inspire change and innovation in international studies education.



VIRTUAL EVENT

Israel / Palestine History, Economy, International Law

22 May 2024

Thought-provoking discussion on the overlooked aspects regarding Israel and Palestine. Raffaella Del Sarto from the European University Institute, Rula Jebreal from the University of Miami, Chantal Meloni from the University of Milan, Sara Roy from Harvard University, and Lorenzo Kamel from the University of Turin delved into the historical backdrop, economic dynamics, and international law parameters that shape the Israeli-Palestinian relationship. From the socio-political fabric of both societies to the role of US campuses and the European Union's approach this panel promises a comprehensive exploration of the multifaceted complexities at play. The online event was co-organized by the European International Studies Association (EISA) and the University of Turin's History Department, in collaboration with the Collegio Einaudi and the Scuola di Studi Superiori Ferdinando Rossi (SSST).

17th Pan-European Conference in International Relations



THE 17TH EISA 27-31 AUGUST 2024
PAN-EUROPEAN CONFERENCE
ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

UNIVERSITÉ CATHOLIQUE DE LILLE, FRANCE



53

Countries

Lille, France, 27–31 August 2024

Searching for International Relations:
Spaces, Styles, Struggles

€16,000

Mobility grants
for 40 participants

The conference welcomed over 1,100 delegates from 53 countries. The programme featured 286 panels, 46 roundtables and 3 plenary sessions. In addition to our programme of panels and roundtables, EISA hosted several special events across the conference, including a panel “10 Years of EISA: Taking Stock and Looking Forward”, several ECD panels, Meet the editors sessions. PEC also included the launch of “ECD Hub: Lunch and Networking,” a new activity that will take place yearly: designed to present the ECD Group and its activities and to provide opportunities for meaningful networking, it was welcomed by PhD students and early career scholars. Finally, the EISA General Assembly took place during PEC: Board members presented the yearly report of the association and plans for the years ahead.



UNITED KINGDOM

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FRANCE

129



GERMANY

125



NETHERLANDS

75



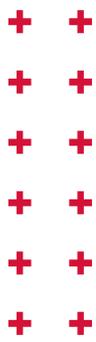
BELGIUM

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SWEDEN

39



€1,600

Grants from special funds
for 4 participants

1,100+

Participants



Logistically, the EISA financed, for the first time, a conference mobile app, for participants to stay up to date with the daily programme and latest news. As usual, and in line with the EISA's commitment to inclusivity, childcare services were offered to PEC participants free of charge during the conference programme.

We are grateful to programme chairs Catherine Charrett and Monique Beerli for managing the academic programme, and to section chairs for helping us manage sessions throughout the conference. We are also grateful to local host Philippe Bonditti for helping us host the conference at the Université Catholique de Lille in the best conditions.

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over 1,100 delegates
from 53 countries.*

983

Speakers



32

Parallel sessions

55

Sections

4

Early Career
Workshops

1,632

Abstracts

17



 FINLAND
36

 NORWAY
33

 TURKEY
30

 USA
27

STANDING SECTIONS

- ST01** CRITICAL MILITARY STUDIES
- ST02** DOING INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY
- ST03** GLOBAL HEALTH: ONE HEALTH AND POWER POLITICS IN NATURE
- ST04** GLOBALISING IR
- ST05** HISTORICAL INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
- ST06** INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION, NATIONALISM AND INTERETHNIC RELATIONS
- ST07** INTERNATIONAL PRACTICES
- ST08** INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY
- ST09** POLITICAL ECONOMY BEYOND BOUNDARIES
- ST10** POPULAR CULTURE AND WORLD POLITICS
- ST11** SMALL STATES IN WORLD POLITICS
- ST12** VISUAL IR
- ST13** AGRARIAN ORDERS AND TRANSFORMATIONS: STRUGGLES IN AGRARIA
- ST14** BLUE TURN – THE POLITICS OF OCEANS AND POLAR REGIONS
- ST15** CONTESTATION IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS
- ST16** INFRASTRUCTURES AND GLOBAL ORDER
- ST17** INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL DESIGN AND MULTIMODAL METHODS
- ST18** GLOBAL LAW AND POLITICS
- ST19** REIMAGINING PEACE STUDIES
- ST20** JUSTICE & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
- ST21** KNOWLEDGE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. EPISTEMIC STRUGGLES IN A COMPLEX WORLD
- ST22** EXPLORING WORLD POLITICS BEYOND THE STATE SYSTEM: SPACES, RELATIONS AND STRUGGLES
- ST23** REALIST THOUGHT, THEORY, AND ANALYSIS IN IR

REGULAR SECTIONS

- S01** PSYCHOANALYTICAL APPROACHES TO SECURITY
- S02** PROTECTION IN IR AND BEYOND
- S03** POLITICS OF ASIA AND THE INDO-PACIFIC
- S04** PEDAGOGIES FOR TEACHING INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY
- S05** ART, LITERATURE, AND ACTIVISM IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS
- S06** EMOTIONS, AFFECTIVE POLITICS AND THE MAKING AND UNMAKING OF THE INTERNATIONAL
- S07** AESTHETICS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND POLITICS



- S08** CRITICAL AND AREA STUDIES PERSPECTIVES ON EUROPEAN FOREIGN POLICY: EXAMINING EUROPE FROM THE OUTSIDE
- S09** QUEER INTERNATIONALS
- S10** TECHNOLOGY, EXPERTISE, AND GLOBAL GOVERNANCE
- S11** TEXT AS DATA
- S12** RETHINKING THE NEXUS BETWEEN LEGALITY AND VIOLENCE IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS
- S13** ISLAM IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS: THEORIES AND PRACTICES OF DIPLOMACY
- S14** REBEL GOVERNANCE AND LEGITIMACY
- S15** NEW INTELLIGENCE STUDIES
- S16** WHAT IS 'CRITICAL' IN IR TODAY? EXPLORING NEW DIRECTIONS FOR HOPE, EMANCIPATION, AND UTOPIA IN IR
- S17** SECURITY AND (NON)KNOWLEDGE
- S18** SPACES OF SUSTAINABILITIES, STRUGGLES OF TRANSITIONS IN THE (EUROPEAN) ARCTIC AND BEYOND
- S19** PARADIPLOMACY AND FOREIGN POLICY IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
- S20** NARRATIVE AND 'THE INTERNATIONAL
- S21** MULTILATERALISM(S) IN QUESTION
- S22** WAR, INSURGENCY, AND INTERVENTION
- S23** PREDICTING FUTURE CRISES, GOVERNING THE PRESENT: THE AUTOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC POLITICS OF THE CRITICAL ZONE
- S24** MULTILATERALISM BEYOND THE LIBERAL FRAME
- S25** ARCHIVING THE INTERNATIONAL: CROSS-BORDER ARCHIVAL LIVES, PRACTICES, AND MATERIALITIES
- S26** DIGITAL INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (IR)
- S27** CURRENT AND FUTURE GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRISES
- S28** PURSUING A GEO-ECONOMIC AGENDA AMIDST GLOBAL TURMOIL: SUPPLY CHAINS, SUSTAINABILITY AND SANCTIONS
- S29** WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE IR THEORIST IN PUBLIC DEBATE TODAY?
- S30** INTERSECTIONAL DIALOGUES AND BEYOND: SPECULATIVE FICTION, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND URBAN MARGINALIZATION IN IR
- S31** POWER DYNAMICS AND REGULATION OF EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES IN EUROPE AND BEYOND
- S32** INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY IN THE AGE OF GEOECONOMICS





11th European Workshops in International Studies

Istanbul, Turkey, 3–5 July 2024

509 participants gathered to attend the 11th edition of the European Workshops in International Studies, which took place at the Kadir Has University in Istanbul. Building on the rapidly rising popularity of EWIS workshops, this year's event brought together 41 individual workshops that showcased and supported a wide range of exciting research collaborations.

The events also hosted two thought-provoking plenary roundtables, an opening reception, and a 'Meet the Editor' session with the EISA-OUP Voices in IR book series.

We especially thank EWIS 2024 programme co-chair Sibel Karadağ for making the event a huge success.

509

Participants

42

Countries

€10,400

Mobility grants for 26 participants



*The future
yet to come:
for a global politics
of hope*



673
Abstracts

41
Workshops

Workshops

- WS 1** IMAGINING FUTURE WAR: NEW PERSPECTIVES ON MILITARY TECHNOLOGY IN AN ERA OF GREAT POWER COMPETITION
- WS 2** CONSTRUCTING SUBJECTIVITIES AFTER THE LIBERAL ORDER: MANAGING ANXIETY WITHOUT SECURITIZATION OF IDENTITY?
- WS 3** WHAT ROLE FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION IN THE CURRENT 'PERMACRISIS'?
- WS 4** POWER AND LEGITIMACY IN INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY
- WS 5** STIGMA IN WORLD POLITICS
- WS 6** WASTE, WASTEWORLDS, AND WORLDMAKING
- WS 7** WAYS OF SEEING IR: VISUALS AND EMOTIONS
- WS 8** BORDERING DYNAMICS AND LIBERAL POLITICAL COMMUNITIES: WHAT FOR THE FUTURE?
- WS 9** CANCELLED
- WS 10** CONNECTIVITY PROJECTS IN GLOBAL POLITICS: ENGINEERING FUTURES BY MOBILIZING THE PAST
- WS 11** WORKING WITH THE NEGATIVE
- WS 12** CRITICAL APPROACHES TO STUDYING APARTHEID AS A CONCEPT AND AS A REALITY
- WS 13** QUEER, FEMINIST PERSPECTIVES ON DISCOURSES AND PRACTICES OF POLITICAL VIOLENCE





- WS 14** MERGING CRITICAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES AND CRITICAL TERRORISM STUDIES: THE CO-PRODUCTION OF SECURITY THROUGH GLOBAL AND LOCAL APPROACHES
- WS 15** THE POLITICS OF SIEGE WARFARE: UNDERSTANDING CONTEMPORARY FORMS OF VIOLENCE AND RESISTANCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA
- WS 16** ECOCIDE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
- WS 17** DIPLOMATIC DEVIATION: RUPTURES AND CHANGES IN/VIA DIPLOMATIC ENCOUNTERS
- WS 18** AFFECTIVE LOGICS OF COLONIALITY
- WS 19** (RE)ORIENTING INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS: THEORISING THE WORLD BETWEEN BEIJING AND BAGHDAD
- WS 20** ANTICOLONIAL PASTS AND FUTURES: NAVIGATING LOSS, HOPE AND COLLECTIVE STRUGGLE IN A WORLD IN FLUX
- WS 21** CONTINUITIES, TRANSFORMATIONS AND CHANGES: THE FUTURE OF CRITICAL TERRORISM STUDIES AND RESEARCH
- WS 22** POPULIST GEOPOLITICS? RETHINKING (GEO)POLITICAL SPACE THROUGH THE LENS OF POPULISM
- WS 23** IFIS AND THE REIMAGINING OF GLOBAL POLITICS: PATHWAYS TO HOPE AND RESISTANCE IN GLOBAL POLITICAL ECONOMY
- WS 24** UNTANGLING REPRESENTATIONS, DEFINITIONS, AND MEANINGS OF CHILDREN'S PARTICIPATION IN ARMED CONFLICT
- WS 25** THE MULTIPLEX AGE: PLURALISM AND CONNECTIVITY BEYOND MULTIPOLARITY



- WS 26** SECURITY LEFTOVERS: THE AFTERLIVES OF OBJECTS, SITES, AND EXPERTISE
- WS 27** IS WESTERN-LED GLOBALIZATION SPLINTERING? NORTH, SOUTH, AND THE FUTURE OF POWER IN GLOBAL CAPITALISM
- WS 28** IMPROVISING THE FUTURE: POLITICS, SPECULATION, AND PRAGMATISM
- WS 29** HIERARCHIES BEYOND RELATIONALITY? COLLECTIVE SINGULARS, IMAGINARIES, AND THE FIGURE OF THE THIRD
- WS 30** UNVEILING THE PAST, ILLUMINATING THE PRESENT: RADICAL HISTORICISM IN POLITICAL ECONOMY AND HISTORICAL SOCIOLOGY
- WS 31** POPULAR CULTURE AND THE END OF THE WORLD: IMAGINING DYSTOPIA AND UTOPIA IN THE ANTHROPOCENE EPOCH
- WS 32** CRISES AND CONTESTATION—CONCEPTUAL BOUNDARY WORK FOR A FUTURE YET TO COME
- WS 33** CRITICAL APPROACHES TO THE GOVERNANCE OF MIGRANT SMUGGLING—A TRANSDISCIPLINARY DEBATE
- WS 34** THE GLOBAL COLONIAL PRESENT
- WS 35** OPPOSITION PARTIES AND SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN AN AGE OF DEMOCRATIC EROSION
- WS 36** PRACTISING THE PRACTICE TURN IN THE STUDY OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
- WS 37** THINKING, KNOWING, AND DOING PEACE OTHERWISE
- WS 38** FOREIGN AND SECURITY POLICY IN TIMES OF UNCERTAINTY: THE CASE OF NATO EASTERN FLANK STATES
- WS 39** ACTIVIST ENCOUNTERS WITH UNCERTAIN FUTURES: HOPEFUL RECONCILIATIONS OF LOSS FROM THE MARGINS
- WS 40** THE EU'S ACTORNESS IN FACE OF REGIONAL AND GLOBAL CRISES AND SECURITY IMBROGLIOS
- WS 41** PACIFISM AND NONVIOLENCE AFTER UKRAINE
- WS 42** INDIA'S NEW DEVELOPMENTALISM AND ITS DISCONTENTS



11th Rapallo Exploratory Symposia

Rapallo, Italy, 27–30 October 2024

The EISA Exploratory Symposia offers an excellent opportunity to meet in groups to pursue collaborative work. The Symposia are an excellent occasion both for newly established groups that would like to meet at an early stage of a research project to progress it, and for already established research groups that would like to meet to work out how to further their research agenda.



7
Symposia

35
Participants

On 27th–30th October 2024, the 11th Exploratory Symposia for EISA members were held in the town of Rapallo on the Portofino Coast in Italy.

Symposia are normally held for 5 groups. However, due to the excellent quality of submissions, EISA has exceptionally decided to select 7 groups. These 7 panels were held in parallel with five participants each, involving in total 35 participants. The Symposia opened with a welcome dinner in the evening of the first day.



Symposia 2024

ES2024-1

Exploring 'Protection in IR': A New Research Agenda

ES2024-2

Leaders in the Multiverse: Advancing Counterfactual Analysis in Global Politics

ES2024-3

Patron-Client Relations in World Politics

ES2024-4

Time Dimensions, Improvisation, Political Practice

ES2024-5

Doing security: reconnecting the history and practice of humanitarian risk

ES2024-6

Digital Sensibilities

ES2024-7

Narrativizing Regions: Dialectical Paths to a World of Multiple Regionalizations





Olympia Summer Academy

Delphi, Greece, 9–12 July 2024

EISA co-organised the Olympia Summer Academy in Politics and International Studies with the Navarino Network, Greece. The Olympia Summer Academy (OSA) was established in 2002 with the dual purpose of creating a forum of high quality academic work and a platform for the creation and consolidation of scholarly networks of cooperation.

2024 marked the 23rd consecutive year of the Olympia Summer Academy, which consistently succeeds in offering a competitive, academically intensive, summer program.



This year's Olympia Summer Academy ran in three parallel course-cycles:

1.

(Geo)Political Risk Analysis

2.

**Terrorism
and Counterterrorism**

3.

**The Rise of China: Domestic
and Global Perspectives**

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Career Development

Early Career Development



As a professional association, the EISA aims to provide its members with opportunities for career development and engagement with other colleagues. While the main vehicles for that aim are the events and conferences organized by the association, with emphasis on the Pan-European Conference on International Relations (PEC) and the European Workshops on International Studies (EWIS), other activities in-between conferences are also provided to members as a means to create a dynamic, inclusive and living network of scholars in the field of International Studies and related disciplines, to boost their careers and push the boundaries of research and innovation through exchange and collaboration.



The EISA is mindful of the specific challenges faced by early career scholars, either during their PhDs or in the first years after the award of the degree. These professionals are usually faced with high(er) levels of work precarity, lack of funding and scarce job positions, while still needing to comply with the overall competitive environment of academia that affects scholars in all career levels, pushing them to publish more and faster, attract funding for their own research, teaching and supervising, as well as taking over administrative tasks. The transition to the labor market entails the existence of opportunities for CV building and career development which sometimes cannot be met without a support network. For this reason, the EISA's contribution to its members who are early career researchers includes not only specific events, grants and awards (Early Career Researchers Workshop, Best Dissertation Award, Best Graduate Paper Award, Postdoctoral Bridge Grants, Dissertation Fieldwork Support Grant, online events and activities, the Mobility Fund available for all members to attend EISA conferences), and a dedicated portfolio in the Governing Board structure, but also counts on a peer-to-peer group created to provide specific opportunities for early career development to EISA members.

ECD Group

The EISA's Early Career Development Group:



What is the ECD group?

The Early Career Development (ECD) group was established as part of the overall professional development support and activities that the European International Studies Association provides to its members. Its aim is to build a network of early career scholars in International Studies and related disciplines, to create clustering opportunities and collaborative projects, and to promote leadership within early career researchers. To that end, the ECD group creates online and offline communities and spaces where early career scholars feel welcome; it also organizes meetings and activities where thematic discussions and learning can take place, on topics that are of particular relevance to early career scholars—at the PEC, EWIS, and beyond.

Activities

The ECD group organizes events that are of specific interest to early career scholars, for example concerning publishing, writing, diversity, methods, ethics and so forth. The agenda and activities of the group are always under development and open to the ideas of new ECD group members as well as the wider community.

Activities include:

- The creation of an online community through regular contributions in EISA newsletters, webinars, social media, and other activities;
- The creation of an offline community through ECD events, including special panels and a welcome reception at the annual EISA-PEC;
- Advising the EISA board in matters concerning ECDs.

Organisation

The group convenes at least once a month via an online platform to plan activities and discuss group progress. It convenes at least once a year physically, normally at the EISA-PEC. Minutes of these meetings are kept by the group Secretariat, to ensure continuity of activities. These minutes will be added to the notion by the group convenor (the elected Governing Board member who holds the ECD Portfolio) after approval by group members to ensure a continuous communication of activities to the board. The group will be attributed a yearly budget by EISA board to sponsor their offline events. The group needs to report on the budget every 3 months.



Activity Report 2024



Membership and Governance

ECD during 17th Pan-European Conference in International Relations

Find Your Voice – Publishing Event

29 August 2024

This event developed a conversation with book series editors on publishing strategies for ECRs. The session was organized as a panel-type followed by Q&A. The invited guest panellists (a) discussed strategies for getting published (how to find the right publisher, how to approach it and steps throughout the process; publish the manuscript as a single book or as a series of articles) and (b) presented the steps involved in transforming PhD thesis into an academic book (what is left out from the original thesis, how to restructure chapters and ideas, etc...).

ECD Hub: L(a)unch and Networking

30 August 2024

The Early Career Development (ECD) group was very pleased to launch the ECD Hub, a new activity that will take place yearly at the EISA's Pan-European Conferences! PhD students and early career scholars joined us for an informal lunch to get to know the ECD Group's activities, EISA

opportunities for early career development such as grants and awards and had an opportunity for meaningful networking with peers.

Projects Lab

30 August 2024

The increasing pressure to attract competitive funding and bid for grants to develop collaborative research has changed the scientific landscape all over Europe and beyond. The growing neoliberalization of research has contributed to deepen research precarity with an asymmetrical impact for early career researchers. The Projects Lab is intended to be a place for sharing funding opportunities and successful stories, discussing pathways for finding and developing applications to competitive bids and building transnational networks and consortia. A living lab, the Projects Lab convenes annually at the PEC and continuously online throughout the year, in between conferences. Focused on promoting ECRs' autonomy, independence and leadership, this activity is open to all EISA members who wish to learn more about international funding for projects and find partners for bids.

IR Café on Research Methods

31 August 2024

The IR Café is set up as casual conversations between leading scholars and all interested participants, with an emphasis on early career participation. People were able to join different tables and chat in an informal setting. Attendees hopped around the tables, explored different critical streams of research in International Studies, what related disciplines mean for different people and learned from each other's perspectives and approaches. The focus of this year's IR Café was research methods in Critical IR. Four tables, each led by a distinguished scholar, on major research methods in International Studies, such as research on materiality, historiography and archive research.

Early Career Workshops

Early Career Researchers Workshops (ECW) are an annual event taking place in the first day of the EISA Pan-European Conferences, ECWs are one-day funded workshops organised by and for doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers who finished their PhD less than three years prior to the application deadline. Eight to twelve participants use the workshop to present and discuss their work. Early career workshops offer a collegial, supportive and safe environment for PhD candidates and Early career scholars to present their work and test their ideas and research findings. The EISA supports each selected workshop with a budget of €4,000.



The selected workshops for 2024 were:

Motion Technologies:
Socio-technical Practices
For Securing Bodies In Movement

Organised by:

Ruben van de Ven (Leiden University),
Chaeyuen Baem (Leiden University)

Knowledge production
in/on international crisis

Organised by:

Nijat Eldarov (University of Copenhagen),
Lin A. Mortensgaard (University of Copenhagen)

Navigating the Stars:
Towards a New Research Paradigm
for Astropolitics in International
Relations

Organised by:

Jana Fey (International Space University in Strasbourg),
Tegan Harrison (Cardiff University)

Clash of civilizations? The return
of cultural geopolitics and its
challenge to liberal hegemony

Organised by:

Benedek Kovacs (Queen Mary University of London),
Karin Narita (University of Sheffield)



Moving Forward

Strong network of early career scholars that can act as a bridge between conferences, activities and career levels

As a professional association, the EISA has strategically invested in early career development, following what has been a long-standing policy throughout several Governing Board mandates to contribute to create opportunities, visibility and leadership to our community. This has been expressed in reduced membership rates and conference registration costs to PhD students, the establishment of several targeted grants and awards and the construction of a strong network of early career scholars that can act as a bridge between conferences, activities and career levels.

The consolidation and systematization efforts of the ECD Group have contributed to strengthen its position and leadership as a peer-to-peer structure at the EISA. This has led to a scenario of increased autonomy and institutionalization, which will amount to a change in the portfolio structure for the Governing Board, bringing together career development as a whole and leaving more space for the ECD Group to handle early career activities and interests in the association.

Finally, in the continuation of the ECD Group efforts to create a balanced transition between members and now clearly defined mandates as per the Governing Document, the ECD Group has undertaken recently a new process of recruitment for three new members to substitute two valuable colleagues who agreed to extend their mandate for this transition period.

The EISA is deeply thankful to the contributions, time and hardwork of the outgoing members who ceased their mandate in 2025, Samarjit Ghosh and Neslihan Dikmen Alsancak.



Awards

Best Doctoral Dissertation Award 2024

The Best Doctoral Dissertation Award recognises outstanding work by young scholars in the field of International Relations. It is awarded to dissertations that make a highly original and significant contribution to International Relations based on rigorous research.

THE WINNER OF THE BEST DOCTORAL DISSERTATION AWARD IN 2024 IS **Anna Finiguerra (Queen Mary University of London)** for *“Ecologies of Visibility: Assembling the Politics of Mobility through Multiple Practices of Knowledge Production”*.

Abstract: (In)visibility is part of discussions on the politics of human mobility, both empirically and theoretically. Scholars have recognised how becoming visible can be a resource for migrant subjects to make political claims, while it may also make them vulnerable to violence. Similarly, invisibility has been understood as both the result of exclusionary practices by political authorities and a conscious choice on the part of mobile people to escape mechanisms of mobility management. The argument of this thesis is that to fully understand the political stakes of (in)visibility one must take into account how forms of (in)visibility are produced in situated ways by a variety of actors, beyond political authorities and mobile people themselves. (In)visibility as such is the outcome of multiple, entangled processes of knowledge production which assemble migration by alternatively seeing or unseeing its subjects, spaces, timelines and dynamics, producing multiple “ecologies of visibility”. Such practices include efforts to memorialise migration, the artistic curation or disposal of migratory debris as well as forensic investigations to identify the victims of border death, and have no univocal outcome. In order to analyse these dynamics, this thesis examines the construction of the Gateway to Europe in Lampedusa, the exhibition of a boat wreck at the Venice Biennale in 2019 and finally the forensic investigative operation carried out after the shipwreck of 18th April 2015. Each of these cases shows how material traces (a landmark, a wreck, and human remains) contribute to the production of multiple “ecologies of visibility” which entangle with one another and produce contextually both forms of seeing and of unseeing. In so doing, they shape the frames through which migration is made intelligible as a political and social phenomenon, constructing its political horizons.

COMMITTEE’S NOTE:

“This thesis is a major intervention in migration studies and International Relations, which engages, extends and renews a variety of theoretical concerns through the question of (in) visibility. Building upon a wide wealth of cases, the thesis explores how different material traces configure and modulate the political and social significance of migration as well as lay the foundations for any future thinking about the subject.”

THE COMMITTEE ALSO AWARDED AN HONORABLE MENTION TO

Tarsis Brito (LSE) for *“Bordering Humanness, Securing Whiteness: Race, Colonialism, and Violence at the European Borders.”*

Best Article in The European Journal of International Relations 2024

The prize recognises and supports the crucial role of theory and theoretical pluralism in and for International Relations in Europe. It is awarded to theoretically innovative articles that elaborate a novel idea, make a significant contribution to existing debates, provide a rigorous analysis and impetus for new research.

THE WINNER OF THE BEST ARTICLE IN THE EJIR IN 2024 IS

Iosif Kovras (University of Cyprus)

for “Technologies of Justice: Forensics and the Evolution of Transitional Justice”, EJIR, 29(1): 29–52”.

Abstract: Despite growing scholarly attention to normative and institutional influences promoting international accountability, limited attention has been paid to the transformative role of forensic technologies in reshaping how societies deal with their violent past. The paper contributes to transitional justice debates by revealing the revolutionary, yet undertheorized, role of forensic technologies of justice in advancing victims’ struggle for truth, accountability, and human rights. On one hand, the application of forensic tools has enabled the identification of human remains for humanitarian purposes, while, on the other hand, incriminatory evidence from exhumations is deemed critical to secure the conviction of perpetrators of gross human rights violations. Drawing on interviews with judges, prosecutors, forensic experts, and policymakers, the paper traces the specific pathways through which these tools affect accountability in post-conflict settings. It sheds light on the relationship between the availability of forensic tools to investigate human rights violations and the evolution of transitional justice.

COMMITTEE’S NOTE:

“The article presents a superb analysis of how technological advances radically transform international justice practices. The jury was also impressed by the wealth of empirical material and the astuteness of the methodology as well as the strength of the framework provided”.

THE COMMITTEE ALSO AWARDED AN HONORABLE MENTION TO

Kimberly Hutchings (QMUL)

for “Doing Epistemic Justice in International Relations: Women and the History of International Thought” 29(4): 809–831.”



Best Graduate Paper 2024

The Best Graduate Paper Award recognises and supports the contribution of PhD students to the development of the field of International Relations. The paper awarded with this prize must be an original contribution to existing debates in the field and offer a careful, convincing and rigorous analysis. The recipient will be chosen from the contributions of graduate students to the annual EWIS workshops.

THE RECIPIENT OF EWIS 2024 BEST GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER IS

**Aino Korvensyrjä
(Friedrich Alexander Universität)**

for “The ‘Borders of Berlin’: West African protests and the coloniality of Euro-African deportation cooperation”.

Abstract: After 2015, European states invested in deportation cooperation within the Valletta process to target ‘unwanted’ African migration. Drawing on ethnographic fieldwork, the article examines how protests by West African migrants in Germany, accompanied by parallel actions in West Africa, contested West African authorities’ participation in German deportations. The protesters questioned the international legality of deportation as a moral double standard by referring to Euro-African borders as the ‘Borders of Berlin,’ drawn at the 1884–1885 Berlin Conference. It is argued that this unsettled the European policy concept of deportation as a ‘return’ to one’s supposed place and as ‘readmission’ obliging states, based on assumptions of equal national sovereignty and harmonious belonging. Building on post- and decolonial scholarship on borders and the international order, the article reads ‘Borders of Berlin’ as a situated critique of the postcolonial nation-state order by black and diasporic social movements. Arguably, this critique also proposes an alternative moral order by interpreting postcolonial African migration as a decolonizing practice of international law from below. The article also reflects on the fragility of the ‘Borders of Berlin’ as a decolonizing imaginary shared by ordinary West African migrants. After 2015, European states invested in deportation cooperation within the Valletta process to target ‘unwanted’ African migration. Drawing on ethnographic fieldwork, the article examines how protests by West African migrants in Germany, accompanied by parallel actions in West Africa, contested West African authorities’ participation in German deportations. The protesters questioned the international legality of deportation as a moral double standard by referring to Euro-African borders as the ‘Borders of Berlin,’ drawn at the 1884–1885 Berlin Conference. It is argued that this unsettled the European policy concept of deportation as a ‘return’ to one’s supposed place and as ‘readmission’ obliging states, based on assumptions of equal national sovereignty and harmonious belonging. Building on post- and decolonial scholarship on borders and the international order, the article reads ‘Borders of Berlin’ as a situated critique of the postcolonial nation-state order by black and diasporic social movements. Arguably, this critique also proposes an alternative moral order by interpreting postcolonial African migration as a decolonizing practice of international law from below. The article also reflects on the fragility of the ‘Borders of Berlin’ as a decolonizing imaginary shared by ordinary West African migrants.

COMMITTEE’S NOTE:

“Aino Korvensyrjä’s paper makes an important contribution to the study of bordering regimes by developing the notion of ‘Borders of Berlin’ as a postcolonial critique of Euro-African agreements on migrant deportations. The reviewers commended the quality of the theoretical discussion, as well as the paper’s methodology and engagement with research ethics. The author effectively demonstrates how ‘the radical imaginary of Borders of Berlin’ can put into question accepted mechanisms of legitimization of migrant deportations, with significant implications for policy and activism as well as academic debates.”





Publications

European Journal on International Relations (EJIR)

EJIR Editorial Team

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University of Erfurt, Germany

Associate Editors

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University of Erfurt, Germany

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Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Norway

The European Journal of International Relations (EJIR) continues to publish outstanding research from across the discipline, taking forward key scholarly debates, analysing emerging trends in the international system and making sense of new empirical formations. The current editorial team remains committed to the advancement of theoretical inquiry within IR, where theory is defined in the broadest sense.

All turnaround times in 2024 remain consistent with previous years. There was an increase of total submissions to 529, with an 8% acceptance rate overall. EJIR continues to work hard at ensuring both gender balance and geographical diversity in terms of submission, publication and reviewing. While there continues to be a structural imbalance in terms of an overrepresentation of scholars from Global North institutions, the editorial team are working to address this asymmetry through, for example, more 'Meet-the-Editor' sessions at major IR conferences and online initiatives.

2024

EJIR Publications Data for 2024

22nd
(out of 169) Ranking
in 'International Relations'

2.9
2024 Impact Factor
of 2.9

529
total manuscript
submissions

4
5 year Impact Factor
of 4

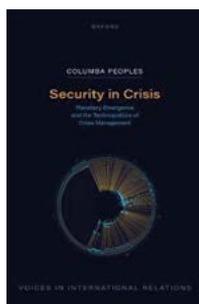
8%
acceptance
rate

EISA-OUP Book Series Voices in International Relations

EISA-OUP book series Voices in International Relations continued to attract a number of excellent manuscript submissions from across the discipline and beyond in 2024. The series editors work closely with each submitting author, providing feedback and engagement to help manuscripts reach the right audience. By the end of 2024, we had 30 original manuscript submissions through the online portal. Our first Voices in International Relations book, published by OUP in December 2024, is also a prize winner:

Security in Crisis: Planetary Emergence and the Technopolitics of Crisis Management

won the ‘Best Book for 2024’ prize from the STAIR (Science, Technology and the Arts in IR)— Section at the International Studies Association.



*EISA members
 get 30% discounts
 on EISA-OUP Voices
 in International
 Relations Book Series.*

The Series Editors are:

- Debbie Lisle**
 (E-i-C, Queen’s University Belfast)
- Tanja Aalberts** (VU Amsterdam)
- Anna Leander** (Graduate Institute Geneva/PUC Rio)
- Laura Sjoberg** (Royal Holloway University London)

The Advisory Board Members are:

- Tarak Barkawi**
 (Johns Hopkins University)
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- Beate Jahn** (University of Sussex)
- Caroline Moulin**
 (UF Minas Gerais, Brazil)
- Cemal Burak Tansel**
 (University of Newcastle).

Throughout 2024, we have organized a number of ‘Meet-The-Editor’ sessions at both EWIS and EISA-PEC, as well as at the International Studies Association meeting in Chicago. Every year we work closely with the winner of the EISA best dissertation prize to help them revise their thesis into a book manuscript to forward for peer review at OUP. Look out for the series editors at future EISA events!

Call for Editors: Ejir

The current Editorial team for EJIR led by Oliver Kessler at Erfurt will be completing their term at the end of 2026. At the EISA General Assembly on 27.08.25 we will officially launch the Call for a new Editorial Team for EJIR which will shadow the existing team and officially take over the journal at the end of 2026. Proposals should be submitted for 01.03.26—further details will be posted on the EISA website.

‘The SAGE Collection’: online access to IR journals for EISA members

Working closely with Sage Publishers, the EISA has provided access, via membership portal, to additional journals in International Relations. Our new ‘SAGE Collection’ includes:

- European Journal of International Relations
- Cooperation and Conflict, International Relations
- International Relations
- Journal of International Political Theory
- International Area Studies Review
- India Quarterly: A Journal of International Affairs





Communications & Social Media

X, Bluesky, Facebook & Youtube

The EISA Board continues to strengthen and develop effective channels of communication with our membership. EISA uses X, Bluesky, and Facebook to regularly share updates and reminders with our members and the wider community. We have also been growing our YouTube content in conjunction with the Online Events portfolio.



8,128

X (@EuropeanISA)
Followers

8,802

Bluesky
(up from 3374 in 2024)
Followers

4,480

Facebook
Followers

Newsletter

The EISA Governing Board sends a bi-monthly newsletter to our members to communicate more detail about the association's current activities, such as events' updates, deadlines and open calls, special panels and nominations, funding opportunities and other association news.

MailChimp data indicates that approximately 73% of our members open and read the newsletter when they receive it in their inboxes. The newsletter and other emails sent to our members are in accordance with the information published on our website.

8,469
subscribers



Voices: The EISA Podcast

Voices, the space for cutting-edge research in the discipline of International Relations is the audible companion to EISA. This podcast sets the stage for deeper insights into award-winning papers, books and theses, as much as it provides a room for the critical engagement with key concepts in political and sociological thought. Voices: The EISA Podcast traces how these concepts have been taken up in the discipline of IR. It interrogates their emergence, their gendered and racialized omissions, and their relevance to current debates and analyses. Through our erudite interview guests, a wide range of critical reading, and reflections on our everyday experiences, Voices: The EISA Podcast helps to think through core IR concepts.

Since launching **Voices: The EISA Podcast** in November 2021 we recorded and released 29 podcast episodes until the end of 2024.

The podcast features three types of episodes: 'In Conversation with ...' 'What is...' and our new for 2024 episode type 'Why is...?'. 'In Conversation with...' features the winners of our Best EJIR Article, Best Graduate Paper and Best Dissertation awards. In this category, we so far interviewed Deepak Nair, Ida Danewid, Kerry Goettlich, Xymena Kurowska and Anatoly Reshetnikov, Stefan Elbe, Uygar Baspehlivan, Jonathan White and Anna Finiguerra. The other 20 episodes cover key issues, concepts, theories and approaches in the study of international relations and featured Beate Jahn (liberalism), Bahar Rumelili (ontological security), Ingvild Bode (practice theory), Stefano Guzzini (realism, geopolitical theory), Sankaran Krishna (postcolonialism), Lindsay Black (area studies), Maïa Pal (political marxism), Justin Rosenberg (uneven and combined development), Patricia Owens (women's international thought), Maria Mälksoo (memory studies), Meera Sabaratnam (decolonising knowledge), Evgeny Roshchin (international friendship), Claudia Aradau (technology), Debbie Lisle (the Voices book series), Toni Hastrup, Joel Quirk and Lewis Turner (academic freedom), Jo Bluen (genocide), Olga Burlyuk and Ladan Rahbari (migrant academic precarity), Felipe de Oliveira (dependency theory), Sophie Harman (global women's health), and Roxani Krystalli and Philipp Schulz (love and care).

Our podcasts are normally hosted by a member of the EISA Board and are produced by Judith Koch. The aim is to release a new episode on the second Friday of every month. Episodes can be accessed and listened to on six platforms, including via the EISA website, and we invite members to get in touch with feedback, suggestions and comments.



Mobility and Inclusion



Making our events more inclusive has been a key priority for the EISA. To that effect, the EISA Mobility Fund is designed to provide financial support for PEC and EWIS participants. The Fund aims to make EISA events accessible to our academic community, and supports doctoral researchers, early career scholars, colleagues on short-term and/or precarious contracts, scholars from the global South as well as those who face discrimination and marginalisation. With new initiatives this year, we have been able to further expand on our financial support.



Mobility Fund

The EISA offers Mobility Grants to participants at the PEC and EWIS conferences in the form of financial support that can be used to cover travel expenses, accommodation and event registration. The Governing Board has increased the grant amount from €300 in 2023 to €400 in 2024.

€400 each

EWIS 2024: 26 Mobility Funds

PEC 2024: 40 Mobility Funds

Total €44,000

EISA × RIPE Mobility Grants for Early Career IPE Scholars

In addition to our in-house mobility grants, we offer grants through generous support from the journal Review of International Political Economy (RIPE). The EISA × RIPE grants are designed to support Early Career IPE scholars attending a PEC event.

€400 each

PEC 2024: 4 EISA × RIPE Funds

Total €1,600



Postdoctoral Bridge Grants

Postdoctoral Bridge Grants support recently graduated or final-year PhD students who have not yet secured an academic contract or fellowship. These grants are designed to help bridge the gap between a doctorate and a postdoctoral funded/salaried position. The scheme is particularly aimed at those who require additional time and funds to finalise potential publications or incubate postdoctoral funding proposals in conjunction with the completion of their doctoral projects.

EISA has increased the grant amount from €3,000 in 2023 to €3,500 in 2024. List of recipients and disclosure on how they utilise the funding to work on their objectives can be found [HERE](#)

€3,500 each

5 Postdoctoral Bridge Grants

Total €17,500

EISA Dissertation Fieldwork Support Grant

Our newest initiative for Early Career Researchers (ECRs) are Dissertation Fieldwork Support Grants, designed for PhD candidates who lack the finances for fieldwork travel. This new grant scheme added to our existing funding schemes to support ECRs, especially those who face different forms of precarity, structural inequality and discrimination. Grants are one-time payments of up to €3,500 for each of the selected candidates.

List of recipients and disclosure on how they utilise the funding to work on their objectives can be found [HERE](#)

Up to €3,500 each

7 Dissertation Fieldwork Support Grants

Total €18,250

Block Grants for PEC Early Career Researchers Workshops (ECWs)

Early Career Researchers Workshops (ECW) are one-day workshops linked to the annual EISA Pan-European Conference. EISA provides funding for up to three ECWs each year. Financial support covers up to €4000 for each workshop. Funding can be used for additional accommodation costs of workshop participants. Workshop convenors may also claim travel support. In 2024 EISA awarded additional 4th workshop.

Up to €4,000 each

4 ECW Grants

Total €7,600



Further Plans

In 2024, excluding fee waivers, we have made available €71,350 to our financial support budget. This demonstrates the seriousness with which EISA is committed to inclusion and diversity.

For 2025, taking into account the inflationary pressures on colleagues, the EISA Governing Board has decided to raise the amount of each mobility grant from €400 to €600 (PEC) and €500 (EWIS), further raising the overall Mobility Fund Budget.



**We are committed
to protecting
the academic
freedom
of our members**

Academic Freedom

The EISA is a leading academic organisation for the study of International Relations and Global Politics. We are committed to protecting the academic freedom of our members and constituencies in order to foster an ethical space for research and teaching and to stand in solidarity with members of our community who are targeted or made vulnerable in their work.

EISA statement on academic freedom and Palestine

As an academic association representing scholars of international relations the EISA wishes to express its growing concern with the repeated and flagrant attacks on the academic freedom of scholars working on issues related to Palestine-Israel, the ongoing violence across Palestine, and questions of genocide. These are all issues of scholarly concern to many of our members and close affiliates and as such the EISA strongly supports their right to engage in research on these and all issues

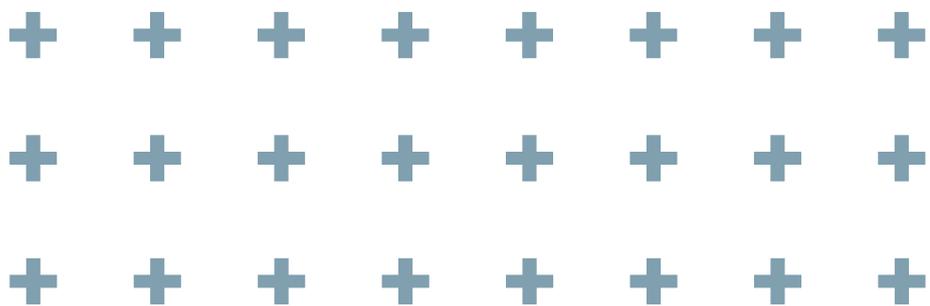
free from the threat of sanction, be it by academic institutions or state authorities.

We are alarmed by the worrying developments in some countries that seek to conflate scholarship on Palestine with antisemitism resulting in the rescinding of academic invitations, attempts to limit the contents and contours of academic work, and an overall shrinking of academic freedom.

We note with particular alarm the ways such attacks on academic freedom disproportionately,

although not exclusively as some recent high profile cases show, target more precarious scholars, scholars of colour, and in particular Palestinian, Arab, and Jewish scholars.

EISA stands in solidarity with all those impacted everywhere by these chilling curtailments of academic freedom and pledges to uphold the academic freedom of all its members at EISA organised events.





*We would like
to take this opportunity
to thank our members
for their support
and active engagement
without which none
of these activities would
be possible.*

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