



Ph.D. – EU GrAd Students University Skills (PEGASUS) Final Conference

Friday 27th February 2015

Maastricht University Campus Brussels
Avenue de l'Armée 10,
1040 Brussels, Belgium

In October 2012, the University of Cologne, the Charles University in Prague, the Institute of Advanced Studies in Vienna, the Maastricht University; the Middle East Technical University in Ankara and the Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA) in Brussels, embarked together on a new project: PEGASUS Ph.D. The project is funded by the European Union's Lifelong Learning Programme. Over the past 2.5 years the project partners have worked together to design a genuinely integrated European Ph.D. degree in political science on questions of European integration.

The project partners have the pleasure to invite you for the final conference of the PEGASUS project, focused on the dissemination of the results of the project. The conference will take place on **Friday, 27th February**, starting at **10 am**. The venue of the conference is the **Maastricht University Campus in Brussels** (Avenue de l'Armée 10, 1040 Brussels). Over and above presenting the results of the project, the conference will also bring together different stakeholders to discuss the opportunities and challenges when developing a joint PhD programme. More information on the PEGASUS project, the programme of the conference and the registration can be found below.

About the PEGASUS project:

The PEGASUS project (<http://www.pegasusphd.eu>) is building a joint Ph.D. training programme with an emphasis on academic substance and transversal academic and professional skills. The objective of the trans-national consortium is to pool existing resources, combine expertise and exchange our different national academic traditions and styles, to create a joint Ph.D. curriculum. PEGASUS thereby contributes to the modernisation, Europeanization and internationalisation of Ph.D. training in and beyond the European Higher Education, Research and Teaching Area. This complementary mix of theoretical and methodical approaches, specific expertise and best practices from our national traditions, represents a clear added value and advantage for successful PEGASUS graduates.

Registration:

If you would like to attend the Dissemination Conference please follow this link: <http://goo.gl/forms/29dDnGfSHH> (**Registration closes on 23rd of February 2015**)

Please also indicate whether you would like to stay for the buffet lunch.

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09.30 – 09.45 Registration

09.45 – 10.00 Welcome

Prof. Wolfgang Wessels, *Jean Monnet Chair University of Cologne, PEGASUS coordinator*

10.00 – 10.30 Keynote speech:

Developing and mobilizing Europe's human capital – the role of integrated PhD programmes

Margie Waters, *Deputy Head of Unit - Higher education policy, European Commission - DG Education and Culture*

10.30 – 11.00 Discussion

Chair: Lenka Rovna, Vice-rector for European affairs, Charles University, Prague

11.00 – 11.30 Break

11.30 – 12.15 “Highlights” of the PEGASUS programme

Chair: Mirte van den Berge, Executive Director TEPSA, Brussels

Prof. Johannes Pollak, *Head of Department for Political Science, IHS, Vienna*

Dr. Basak Zeynep Alpan, *METU, Ankara*

Thomas Traguth, *PEGASUS project manager, University of Cologne*

Oliver Höing, *University of Cologne*

12.15 – 13.00 Roundtable:

Developing a joint PhD programme in European Studies: Dynamics and Challenges

Chair: Prof. Christine Neuhold, Director of Graduate School Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Maastricht University

Prof. Thomas Christiansen, *Prof. of European Institutional Politics, Director of Part-time PhD Programme, Campus Brussels, Maastricht University*

Dr. Alex Wilson, *Associate Dean, Vesalius College, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB)*

Alexa Mills, *UK National Contact Point for Horizon 2020's Science with and for Society programme, Economic and Social Research Council (tbc)*

13.00 – 14.00 Buffet Lunch

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