



VIADUCT PhD Workshop – Call for Applications

The EU and Turkey at a Crossroad? Crisis, Change, and Reform

18 – 20 March 2019 / Sabancı University in Istanbul, Turkey

Several interconnected crises are profoundly affecting relations between the European Union and Turkey. The refugee crisis, the 2016 failed coup attempt in Turkey and its aftermath, Brexit and Eurosceptic political changes in several EU Member States, and Turkey's planned referendum on its EU Membership application are just the most recent examples. Although Turkey has always been an integral part of Europe's history, a contrasting mix of conflict and cooperation has constituted the heart of the dense relationship between Turkey and the European project from the outset.

The EU-Turkey relationship is at a crossroad. It will be shaped by the interaction of Turkish politics and the Turkish economy, on the one hand, and the development of European integration and the domestic politics of its member states, on the other. Understanding this interaction requires a comprehensive approach encompassing politics, security, economics, energy, migration as well as identity, the future of the EU and new forms of relations between the EU-27 and its neighbouring countries.

On behalf of the **VIADUCT** Network the ETH Zürich and Sabancı University Istanbul organise a three-day **PhD Workshop on The EU and Turkey at a Crossroad? Crisis, Change and Reform**. The workshop covers both, EU-Turkey relations and developments within the EU. We invite PhD candidates to discuss their research on the topics outlined above with their peers and senior academic colleagues. The workshop will take place on **18 – 20 March 2019 at Sabancı University in Istanbul, Turkey**.

What we offer

- an opportunity to present your PhD project and research agenda, and to receive feedback from fellow students and renowned senior scholars
- advice on research design, methods and how to get published in a dedicated skills section
- the chance to exchange knowledge and network among young researchers working in the field
- panels and lectures by senior scholars from the **VIADUCT** Network on the workshop topics
- participation in the **VIADUCT** Annual Conference held after the workshop
- excellent research papers will be considered for publication in the **VIADUCT** Online Paper Series

Who can apply?

PhD students from political science and neighbouring disciplines, both from within and without the **VIADUCT** network, working on EU-Turkey relations and European integration.



Application and Selection Procedure

Applications should contain:

- Title and abstract of the paper to be presented
- Letter of motivation
- Current CV

Please send your application compiled within one PDF document to Prof. Frank Schimmelfennig (frank.schimmelfennig@eup.gess.ethz.ch) by 2 January, 2019.

A selection committee will review the applications and select **12-15 students** based on quality and research focus.

Funding

There will be no registration fee. The **VIADUCT** Network will reimburse the participants for their travel and accommodation costs.

Important Dates

Application Deadline:	January 2, 2019
Letter of Acceptance:	February 1, 2019
Submission of Papers:	March 1, 2019
PhD Workshop:	March 18-20, 2019

Contact

For further questions, please contact Prof. Frank Schimmelfennig at ETH Zürich (frank.schimmelfennig@eup.gess.ethz.ch).

About VIADUCT

VIADUCT is a large network with 40 partner institutions and one extended network partner from 36 countries, working on EU-Turkey relations. Represented in every EU member state, Turkey, and the neighbourhood, **VIADUCT** is extending its outreach in research and teaching beyond the EU. For further information, see the links below.

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