



Call for Papers for the EuroMeSCo Annual Conference 2018

12-13 July, Barcelona

DEADLINE: 10 May 2018

The objective of this call is to select the paper proposals to be presented at the parallel thematic sessions of the EuroMeSCo Annual Conference 2018 “Changing Euro-Mediterranean Lenses”. The Conference will be held on 12-13 July in Rabat.

The paper proposals should be related to one of the three following topics:

1. IS EUROPE EXPORTING INSTABILITY TO THE SOUTHERN MEDITERRANEAN?

The unstable political and security situation in the Southern Mediterranean is very often said to be triggered or worsened by external factors and actors. Papers proposals could address various dimensions related either to the political, economic or social situation of the European Union or to policies of the European Union and its member states. These may relate for instance to the issue of home grown “radicalisation” and foreign fighters coming from the European Union, arms exports from some EU member states, as well as to the effects of the securitisation of EU policies (in particular in the field of migration) or of military interventions.

2. IS EUROPE A PRIORITY FOR SOUTHERN MEDITERRANEAN PARTNERS?

Middle East and North Africa countries are developing and strengthening their partnerships with major international powers. The session will explore where the EU stands in this context. Papers proposals could explore for instance how governments and especially foreign Ministries of Southern Mediterranean countries deal with European matters (a paper could for instance come up with a comparative analysis of organigrammes), what the priorities of the Southern Mediterranean countries with regards to their relations with the EU are (including possible gaps between expectations from societies and governments), or what may affect the credibility and the attractiveness of the European Union.

3. REVITALISING EURO-MEDITERRANEAN RELATIONS

With growing number of common threats and challenges, the importance of strengthening Euro-Mediterranean relations and cooperation is even more critical. Papers proposals could take stock of the European Neighbourhood Policy three years after its review, explore the role of the Union for the Mediterranean 10 years after the Paris declaration and its potential, examine the effectiveness of other existing frameworks for Euro-Mediterranean cooperation and reflect on whether new frameworks for relations should be designed, as well as examine how the spoilers in the Euro-Mediterranean relations could be overcome.

ELIGIBILITY

The Call for Papers is open to experts and researchers affiliated to institutes from the EuroMeSCo network.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The participants will first submit a Proposal Form (for more details see [Annex I](#)). This will include a short description of the paper proposed (up to 350 words). The Proposal Form should be submitted in English or French. The Proposal Form shall be sent to Aleksandra Chmielewska (achmielewska@iemed.org) at the Secretariat of EuroMeSCo by **10 May 2018**.

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A Jury, formed for this purpose by the members of the Steering Committee and of the EuroMeSCo ENI Project consortium, will select a maximum of 6 paper proposals according to the interest of the topics chosen and the added value of the proposals for the Euro-Mediterranean policy.

The paper proposals presented shall be adjusted in light of the debates held at the conference and submitted to the EuroMeSCo Academic Secretariat within a maximum period of 5 months following the Annual Conference. Each paper should have a length of 8.000- 9.000 words, excluding references. It should have high scientific and technical quality and should be an original work, not previously published. The papers will be reviewed by appropriate experts from the EuroMeSCo network.

Each paper will be awarded with €750 net, paid by the IEMed upon submission of the definitive document.

CALENDAR

The contest will consist of the following phases:

1st Phase: Launch of the Call for Papers: 11 April 2018

2nd Phase: Deadline for paper proposals submission: 10 May 2018

3rd Phase: Notification on paper proposals acceptance: 25 May 2018

4th Phase: Submission of the concept notes (between 2-3 pages) of the paper proposals: 4 June 2018

5th Phase: Presentation of the preliminary document at the EuroMeSCo Annual Conference: 12 July 2018

6th Phase: Submission of the paper by the **30 November 2018 at the latest**

7th Phase: Review and publication of the EuroMeSCo Paper: January 2019 – May 2019

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