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# UACES

Annual Report and Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

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### **Reference and Administrative Details**

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## Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2019.

### 1. Duty to prepare Annual Reports and Accounts

The Officers recognise that they are jointly responsible for the preparation of the Annual Report and Accounts. The Charities Act 1993 requires UACES Officers to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. Specifically, this requires the Officers to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP, disclosing and explaining any departures for the accounts, and
- to prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue in operation.

UACES Officers are responsible for keeping accounting records which are such as to disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Charity at any time, and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with charity law. UACES Officers are also responsible for safeguarding the Charity's assets and ensuring their proper application in accordance with charity law, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of error, fraud and other foreseeable irregularities.

### 2. Structure, Governance and Management

The Committee comprises three elected Officers (Chair, Secretary, Treasurer), six elected Committee members and includes a number of co-opted and ex-officio members. Any individual member of the Association is eligible to nominate themselves or to be nominated, and elections are conducted by electronic ballot. Terms of elected office, which start on 1 September each year, are three years. The Committee is further divided into working groups; the Events working group, the Engagement working group and the Teaching & Learning working group. Decisions on policy are made by Committee and implementation of these decisions and day-to-day management of the association is undertaken by the staff.

Officers are encouraged to serve on the Committee prior to standing for an officer post, to ease their induction into taking up an officer post for the Association. Officers are normally long-standing, active members and so are familiar with the work of the Association before taking up their duties as Officers. The outgoing Officer briefs the incoming Officer extensively and there is a period of shadowing up to the handover. Job descriptions are available for all Committee positions. All elected members of the Committee who are based in the UK are Trustees of the charity.

### 3. Objectives and Activities

The object of the charity as laid out in the Constitution is as follows:

- To advance education for the public benefit through the promotion of teaching and research in contemporary European Studies, and in furtherance of this objective but not otherwise.
- To maintain and foster links between UK universities and institutions and those in other countries as well as with such bodies as may be thought fit.
- To provide such help as may prove possible towards the promotion of contemporary European Studies.

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- To foster co-ordination of teaching and research by all appropriate means including the organising of meetings and seminars.
- To encourage the dissemination of research findings and to foster debate in contemporary European Studies by all appropriate means including the publication and circulation of papers and through the JCMS, Journal of Common Market Studies.
- To encourage the development of the successor generation of teachers and researchers in contemporary European Studies.

### 4. Achievements and Performance

The following themes within the objects have been identified:

o the participation of postgraduate students and early-career scholars in the activities of the Association

- UACES received a grant from the European Union Erasmus+ programme, Jean Monnet Support for Associations, which included funding for Graduate Forum events and together with the UACES Graduate Forum organised two events specifically for postgraduate students; a research conference in Manchester (hosted by Manchester Metropolitan University) and a doctoral training academy on publishing in Birmingham (hosted by Aston University);
  - We continued to operate EuroResearch, the email list specifically for postgraduate students;
  - Crossroads Europe, the Graduate Forum blog, continued to thrive on our blog platform [www.ideasononeurope.eu](http://www.ideasononeurope.eu).
  - UACES self-funded four travel scholarships for PhD students to complete research work in the field of European Studies;
  - UACES collaborated with the James Madison Charitable Trust to offer a further 2 scholarships in 2018-19;
  - In 2018, a part of our effort to improve the diversity of European Studies, UACES began reserving scholarships specifically for BIPOC students and those who work outside of Western Europe and North America
  - UACES continued the Luke Foster JCER Best Article prize which is awarded to the best article published by a PhD student or Early-Career Researcher in our open-access journal JCER. The 2019 prize was won by Claire Lafon for her article 'Europeanization Through the European Women's Lobby: A Sociological Comparison of the French and Belgian National Coordinations'
  - UACES worked with an international network of universities to offer bursaries to students. These bursaries enabled students to travel within the network to work with academics with particular expertise and knowledge.
  - Contributions towards travel expenses were also made available for those students attending events supported by UACES.
- o the research events and the research conference;
- The 49th Annual Conference in Lisbon was attended by over 450 delegates;
  - UACES supported six stand-alone events in 2018-19, which were organised by members of the Association.
  - UACES funded a researcher to visit the Historical archives of the European Union and this was funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of the Jean Monnet Support to Associations

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- Two new Collaborative Research Networks were established, in addition to the networks already running. The networks which were awarded funding in 2018-19 were:

- o Communicating Europe

- o Limits of Europe: Challenging the Crisis of European Integration

- c) the publications policy of UACES;

- The Journal of Common Market Studies (JCMS) which includes the Annual Review of the EU continues to thrive.

- The open access, online-only Journal of Contemporary European Research (JCER) continues to rise in profile.

- In partnership with Routledge, the Contemporary European Studies (CES) book series which published 8 new titles in 2019;

- d) relations with other associations;

UACES maintained links with:

- the British International Studies Association (BISA)

- the British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES)

- the Council of European Studies (CES-USA)

- the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)

- the European Sociological Association (ESA)

- the European Political Studies Association (EPSA)

- the European Union Studies Association (EUSA-USA)

- the International Studies Association (ISA)

- and various Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence

- e) communication between the Committee and the members;

The main means of communication is the UACES Newsletter supplemented by announcements on the email list and the UACES website.

- f) our membership;

At 30/09/2019 membership of UACES was 1122 a slight increase from 1087 the previous year. This includes 627 Individual, 158 Early Career, 273 Student and 64 Group members, with circa 60% of members based outside the UK.

- g) our public profile;

- The Office staff at UACES (in particular the Digital Communications Manager) have been working hard to raise the online profile of UACES. This has been achieved through increased use of social media and sharing of multimedia content;

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- The online profile of UACES and its associated journals and activities has increased, through more effective use of social media and multimedia content;
- IdeasonEurope.eu, our open access hosting platform for blogs on Europe continues to be popular for readers and authors and has over 12,000 followers on Twitter;
- UACES continued its collaboration with Politico, delivering in Brussels a seminar titled How to make the right choice of European Studies? at their EU Studies Fair on 9 February 2019.

h) prizes;

UACES awarded five prizes in recognition of achievement in the field of European Studies: Best PhD Thesis, Best Book, the JCMS Prize, the JCER Prize and a Lifetime Achievement Award.

### 5. Financial Review

a) The financial position

UACES has a full business plan for the Association that reflects the aims, objectives and current priorities.

b) Funding Sources

UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a three-year project commencing in the 2017-18 financial year. The UK Hub for expertise in a post Brexit Europe. Awarded €50,000 over 3 years.

In conjunction with 8 partners, UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European Commission for a three-year project commencing in the 2017-2018 financial year.

UACES was the recipient of a Santander/UCL grant which funded the association to employ an intern for 2 months in June and July 2019.

UACES applied for and was successful in winning funding from the European commission for a 2-year project commencing in the 2019-20 financial year. This will fund 3 events and a journal special issue. Diversity, Inclusion and Multidisciplinarity in European Studies (DIMES). Awarded €60,000 over 2 years.

Income from the profit of the journal, JCMS, together with the revenue from membership subscriptions and the annual conference, is used to cover administration and management of the Association.

c) Grant-making

There are three main streams of funding available from UACES (see [www.uaces.org/funding](http://www.uaces.org/funding))

- Scholarships
- UACES Research Networks
- Small Event grants

d) Related party transactions

No transactions are made between the Charity and its Trustees or anyone else connected to its Trustees. Trustees are paid expenses only by direct reimbursement.

e) Reserves

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UACES's reserves were adversely affected by paying off a large pension deficit in June 2015. Since then, UACES trustees and office staff have been focusing on building up the reserves. Due to a larger-than-expected profit from JCMS in 2018 and 2019 the reserves are now in a healthier position than in the previous financial year. We are aware that future years may be more difficult, not least because of the current challenges being posed by the COVID-19 outbreak.

### f) Investment policy

An Investment Portfolio was established in 2010, the management of which was done with the advice of an Independent Financial Adviser. In October 2015, half of the investment portfolio was sold. In June 2016 the decision was taken to close the Investment Portfolio entirely. The decision was taken on the advice of our Independent Financial Adviser and it was done with the aim of improving cash flow. UACES realised a small gain from the sale of £3972.

In its place UACES currently has 4 savings accounts which offer very small financial returns on the investments but do offer the benefit of easy access which has helped to improve UACES's cash flow.

The investment policy will remain in place to inform the charity's trustees should they decide to invest in a managed portfolio again in the future.

### g) Financial risks

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity. To note in this report:

#### i. The United Kingdom leaving the European Union

UACES draws a large proportion of its membership from across the 27 European Union member states (c. 47%) and receives substantial funding from the European Union each year. The exit of the United Kingdom from the European Union could make UACES less attractive as a membership organisation for non-UK academics and could also present a threat to one of the association's major funding sources.

#### ii. The shift to open access publishing

Academic publishing is in the process of changing from the current reader-pays model to an author-pays model. UACES has been working with Wiley, our publishers and co-owners of the JCMS to prepare for this change. The Trustees are ensuring their feedback is taken into consideration on the proposed plan S implementation guidelines. At this stage it is difficult to assess the full impact on UACES but we have been advised by Wiley that there is likely to be a decrease in revenue from the JCMS publication.

Should income from the JCMS start to decline, one option available to UACES, is to convert the JCER, our open access journal which is currently free to both readers and authors, to an author-pays model.

#### iii. Membership of UACES

Membership of UACES has stabilised over the last year and actually increased slightly. Trustees and office staff are seeking ways to attract new members and retain those members we currently have.

## 6. Plans for the Future

### a) Consolidate existing activities:

- running conferences, small events, seminars and networking activities
- Expanding our range of virtual events – including running our first virtual conference in 2020



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- Supporting and developing UACES publications – in particular looking to move JCER to a professional publisher;
  - redeveloping the website with funds from the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union;
  - Improving the UACES membership database in order to improve membership recruitment and retention
  - supporting the Graduate Forum and continuing to promote its rebranded image;
  - disseminate information to members effectively.
  - Focus on improving the diversity of UACES's members and participants at its conferences. We are particularly keen to encourage academics and students from BAME backgrounds to attend our events and participate in our activities.
- b) Focus during 2018-2021 (current Chair's term of office) on the following particular areas:
- Develop and implement a clear equality and diversity policy
  - Internationalisation of the membership and its activities;
  - Re-invigorating the subject area of European Studies in the UK;
  - To strengthen the profile of the UACES Research Networks
  - Engaging further with other academic associations, industry practitioners, civil society groups and increase outreach engagement
  - Strengthening UACES's financial position
  - To continue to strengthen UACES's relationship with its flagship journal, JCMS
- c) To integrate the Journal of Contemporary European Research into other UACES activities (i.e. to review books from the CES series, to publish articles arising from Graduate Forum events and Teaching and Learning activities), to start a JCER blog on Ideas on Europe which can be used to promote the journal and the research published within it;
- d) Explore the opportunities arising from the wider, more diverse international membership.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 10/7/20 and signed on its behalf by:

  
Dr M Garcia  
Secretary and Trustee

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### Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 10/7/20 and signed on its behalf by:

  
Dr M Garcia  
Secretary and Trustee

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### Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of UACES

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2019 which are set out on pages 10 to 20.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of UACES you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the UACES's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

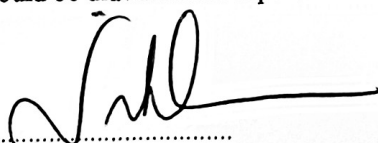
#### Independent examiner's statement

Since UACES's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of UACES as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

  
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Date: 6/7/2020

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## Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2019 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		-	31,138	31,138
Charitable activities		119,832	-	119,832
Other trading activities		236,206	-	236,206
Investment income	5	1,649	-	1,649
Total income		357,687	31,138	388,825
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		(334,334)	(31,138)	(365,472)
Total expenditure		(334,334)	(31,138)	(365,472)
Net movement in funds		23,353	-	23,353
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		339,970	-	339,970
Total funds carried forward	15	363,323	-	363,323
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2018 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies		-	59,761	59,761
Charitable activities		118,934	-	118,934
Other trading activities		233,688	-	233,688
Investment income	5	685	-	685
Total income		353,307	59,761	413,068
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		(307,521)	(59,761)	(367,282)
Total expenditure		(307,521)	(59,761)	(367,282)
Net movement in funds		45,786	-	45,786
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		294,184	-	294,184
Total funds carried forward	15	339,970	-	339,970

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2018 is shown in note 15.

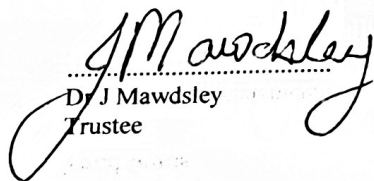


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Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2019

	Note	2019 £	2018 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	12	5,237	9,634
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	13	185,129	193,340
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>278,133</u>	<u>251,579</u>
		463,262	444,919
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	14	<u>(105,176)</u>	<u>(114,583)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>358,086</u>	<u>330,336</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>363,323</u>	<u>339,970</u>
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		<u>363,323</u>	<u>339,970</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	15	<u>363,323</u>	<u>339,970</u>

The financial statements on pages 10 to 20 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 16/7/20 and signed on their behalf by:

  
D J Mawdsley  
Trustee

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

#### 1 Accounting policies

##### Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

##### Basis of preparation

UACES meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

##### Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

##### Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

##### Transition to FRS 102

In preparing the accounts, the trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 a restatement of comparative items was required. No restatements are required as a result of the transition to FRS 102.

##### Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

##### *Grants receivable*

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

##### Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

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#### ***Charitable activities***

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

#### **Governance costs**

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees's meetings and reimbursed expenses.

#### **Government grants**

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

#### **Taxation**

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Individual fixed assets costing £0.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

#### **Depreciation and amortisation**

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

#### **Trade debtors**

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

#### **Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

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#### **Trade creditors**

are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Fund structure**

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

#### **Financial instruments**

##### *Classification*

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

##### *Recognition and measurement*

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the charity intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the charity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the charity, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

## **2 Income from donations and legacies**



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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total 2019 £</b>	<b>Total 2018 £</b>
Grants, including capital grants;			
Government grants	30,424	30,424	49,704
Grants from other charities	714	714	10,057
	<u>31,138</u>	<u>31,138</u>	<u>59,761</u>

### 3 Income from charitable activities

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total 2019 £</b>	<b>Total 2018 £</b>
Donations and Grants	-	31,138	31,138	59,761
Conference and Events	72,728	-	72,728	71,124
Membership subscriptions	47,104	-	47,104	47,810
Journal publication	236,206	-	236,206	233,688
Investment income	1,649	-	1,649	685
	<u>357,687</u>	<u>31,138</u>	<u>388,825</u>	<u>413,068</u>

### 4 Income from other trading activities

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total 2019 £</b>	<b>Total 2018 £</b>
Trading income;			
Other trading income	236,206	236,206	233,688
	<u>236,206</u>	<u>236,206</u>	<u>233,688</u>

### 5 Investment income

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total 2019 £</b>	<b>Total 2018 £</b>
Interest receivable and similar income;			
Interest receivable on bank deposits	1,649	1,649	685
	<u>1,649</u>	<u>1,649</u>	<u>685</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

#### 6 Analysis of governance and support costs

##### Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds		
	General	Total	Total
	£	2019	2018
		£	£
Independent examiner fees			
Examination of the financial statements	2,302	2,302	2,206
Trustees remuneration, expenses and other expenses	5,289	5,289	5,856
	<u>7,591</u>	<u>7,591</u>	<u>8,062</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

#### 7 Government grants

Four grants were received in the year.

From the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union three funds were received under the Jean Monnet Project and Jean Monnet Network sections of Erasmus+ as well as A NORTIA grant for student bursaries.

A small grant was received from UCL and Santander Bank for the part funding of an internship.

The amount of grants recognised in the financial statements was £30,424 (2018 - £49,704).

#### 8 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

##### **Prof H P Drake**

£Nil (2018: £347) of expenses were reimbursed to Prof H P Drake during the year.

Travel and accommodation expenses

##### **Dr S Usherwood**

£240 (2018: £407) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr S Usherwood during the year.

Staff and officers Christmas Lunch 2018 -Travel and subsistence, leaving gifts for outgoing trustees

##### **Dr H F Carrapico**

£Nil (2018: £119) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr H F Carrapico during the year.

Travel and subsistence

##### **Dr M Garcia**

Dr M Garcia received remuneration of £Nil (2018: £200) and £162 (2018: £496) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr M Garcia during the year.

Travel and subsistence

Remuneration for 2018 was one of five honoraria awarded for sitting on the jury for the essay prize

##### **Dr K Simpson**

£273 (2018: £597) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr K Simpson during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr V Gravey**

£238 (2018: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr V Gravey during the year.

Travel expenses

##### **Dr N Startin**

£476 (2018: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Dr N Startin during the year.

Travel and accommodation expenses

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

#### 9 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2019 £	2018 £
<b>Staff costs during the year were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	<u>134,621</u>	<u>126,408</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2019 No	2018 No
Administration	2	2
Charitable Activities	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>
	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>

6 (2018 - 5) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £13,225 (2018 - £11,374).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

#### 10 Independent examiner's remuneration

	2019 £	2018 £
Examination of the financial statements	<u>2,302</u>	<u>2,206</u>

## UACES

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

#### 11 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

#### 12 Tangible fixed assets

	Computer equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 October 2018	20,936	20,936
Additions	630	630
At 30 September 2019	<u>21,566</u>	<u>21,566</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 October 2018	11,302	11,302
Charge for the year	5,027	5,027
At 30 September 2019	<u>16,329</u>	<u>16,329</u>
<b>Net book value</b>		
At 30 September 2019	<u>5,237</u>	<u>5,237</u>
At 30 September 2018	<u>9,634</u>	<u>9,634</u>

#### 13 Debtors

	2019 £	2018 £
Trade debtors	24	828
Prepayments	9,347	8,455
Other debtors	175,758	184,057
	<u>185,129</u>	<u>193,340</u>

#### 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2019 £	2018 £
Trade creditors	15,436	16,321
Other creditors	78,958	50,381
Accruals	10,782	47,881
	<u>105,176</u>	<u>114,583</u>

# UACES

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

### 15 Funds

	Balance at 1 October 2018 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 30 September 2019 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	<u>339,970</u>	<u>357,687</u>	<u>(334,334)</u>	<u>363,323</u>
	Balance at 1 October 2017 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 30 September 2018 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<i>General</i>				
Unrestricted General Fund	<u>294,184</u>	<u>353,307</u>	<u>(307,521)</u>	<u>339,970</u>

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Grants were received for the Jean Monnet Project and Network in the period from the European Commission as well as from the NORTIA fund and a grant from UCL and Santander Bank.

### 16 Analysis of net funds

	At 1 October 2018 £	Cash flow £	At 30 September 2019 £
Cash at bank and in hand	251,579	26,554	278,133
Net debt	<u>251,579</u>	<u>26,554</u>	<u>278,133</u>
	At 1 October 2017 £	Cash flow £	At 30 September 2018 £
Cash at bank and in hand	184,781	66,798	251,579
Net debt	<u>184,781</u>	<u>66,798</u>	<u>251,579</u>

# UACES

## Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

	Total Unrestricted funds 2019 £	Unrestricted funds 2018 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Charitable activities	119,832	118,934
Other trading activities	236,206	233,688
Investment income	1,649	685
Total income	<u>357,687</u>	<u>353,307</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>(334,334)</u>	<u>(307,521)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(334,334)</u>	<u>(307,521)</u>
Net income	<u>23,353</u>	<u>45,786</u>
Net movement in funds	23,353	45,786
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds brought forward	<u>339,970</u>	<u>294,184</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>363,323</u></u>	<u><u>339,970</u></u>

## UACES

### Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

	Total Restricted funds 2019 £	Restricted funds 2018 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies	31,138	59,761
Total income	31,138	59,761
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities	(31,138)	(59,761)
Total expenditure	(31,138)	(59,761)
Net income/(expenditure)	-	-
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds carried forward	-	-



## UACES

### Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>		
Donations and legacies (analysed below)	31,138	59,761
Charitable activities (analysed below)	119,832	118,934
Other trading activities (analysed below)	236,206	233,688
Investment income (analysed below)	1,649	685
	<u>388,825</u>	<u>413,068</u>
Total income		
<b>Expenditure on:</b>		
Charitable activities (analysed below)	(365,472)	(367,282)
	<u>(365,472)</u>	<u>(367,282)</u>
Total expenditure		
Net income	<u>23,353</u>	<u>45,786</u>
Net movement in funds	23,353	45,786
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>		
Total funds brought forward	<u>339,970</u>	<u>294,184</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>363,323</u></u>	<u><u>339,970</u></u>

# UACES

## Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 30 September 2019

	<b>Total 2019 £</b>	<b>Total 2018 £</b>
<b><i>Donations and legacies</i></b>		
Grants other charities	714	10,057
Grants	<u>30,424</u>	<u>49,704</u>
	<u>31,138</u>	<u>59,761</u>
<b><i>Charitable activities</i></b>		
Conference Income	72,728	71,124
Membership Fees	<u>47,104</u>	<u>47,810</u>
	<u>119,832</u>	<u>118,934</u>
<b><i>Other trading activities</i></b>		
Separate material item of income	<u>236,206</u>	<u>233,688</u>
	<u>236,206</u>	<u>233,688</u>
<b><i>Investment income</i></b>		
Interest receivable	<u>1,649</u>	<u>685</u>
	<u>1,649</u>	<u>685</u>
<b><i>Charitable activities</i></b>		
Staff costs	(126,706)	(105,841)
Staff costs	(7,915)	(20,567)
Charitable activities	(200,037)	(193,618)
Charitable activities	(23,223)	(39,194)
Independent Examination	(2,302)	(2,206)
Charitable activities	<u>(5,289)</u>	<u>(5,856)</u>
	<u>(365,472)</u>	<u>(367,282)</u>

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# UACES ANNUAL REPORT

## 2019

*A report for the financial year running 1 October 2018 to 30 September  
2019*

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## Membership

Membership of UACES increased to 1122 members as of 30/9/19 (an increase of 3% from the previous year). This comprised 627 Individual members, 158 Early-Career members, 273 Student members and 64 Group members.

Our members are distributed across 55 countries; 33 European countries and 22 countries beyond Europe's borders.

The table below shows from where UACES membership is sourced:

COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE	AS OF 30/9/19	AS OF 30/9/18	AS OF 30/9/17	AS OF 30/9/16
UK	39.6%	43.2%	52.5%	46.5%
Belgium	6.8%	6.2%	5.8%	6.8%
Germany	6.8%	5.9%	5.2%	7.0%
The Netherlands	4.7%	4.9%	3.7%	4.8%
Portugal	3.8%	1.3%	1.3%	1.5%
Spain	3.3%	2.8%	2.0%	2.4%
Italy	3.1%	3.1%	2.3%	3.0%
Poland	3.0%	3.0%	3.1%	2.3%
Ireland	2.6%	2.6%	1.6%	1.7%
USA	2.2%	1.2%	1.2%	2.3%
Rest of Europe	16.6%	20%	17.1%	18.2%
Rest of World	7.5%	7.0%	5.4%	3.5%

## BENEFITS

In 2019 members benefited directly from discounts for some UACES events, grants to support one-off events and research networks, fieldwork scholarships for PhD students, access to our ever-popular email list and newsletter, fully-funded conferences for postgraduate students, and indirectly through the growth of our in-house, open-access journal *JCER* and our journal co-published with Wiley, *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies*.

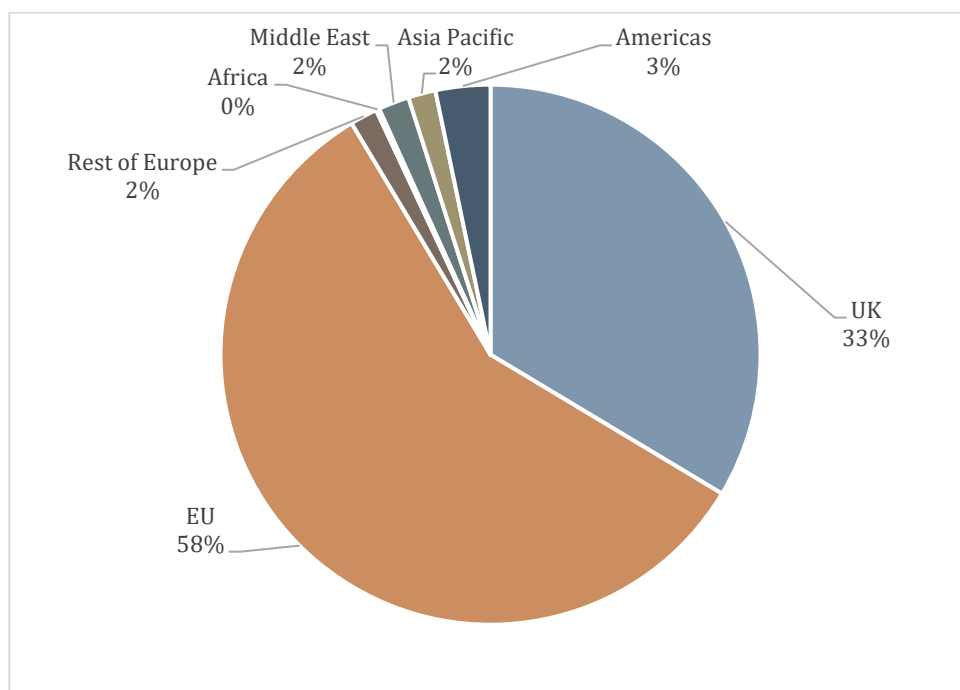
A full list of members' benefits is available to view at [www.uaces.org/benefits](http://www.uaces.org/benefits).

## Annual Conferences

### LISBON 2019

The 2019 Annual Conference took place at the University of Lisbon ([www.uaces.org/lisbon](http://www.uaces.org/lisbon)). It was attended by 406 delegates from 38 different countries with the biggest contingents being from the UK (44%), Germany (6%), Belgium (6%), The Netherlands (6%) and Poland (4%). These figures are based on the institutions that the delegates represented not nationality. The plenary sessions covered Democracy, Legitimacy and the Future of Europe; Immigration, Race and Populism and Transatlanticism in the time of Trump.

#### Origin of delegates that attended Lisbon 2019

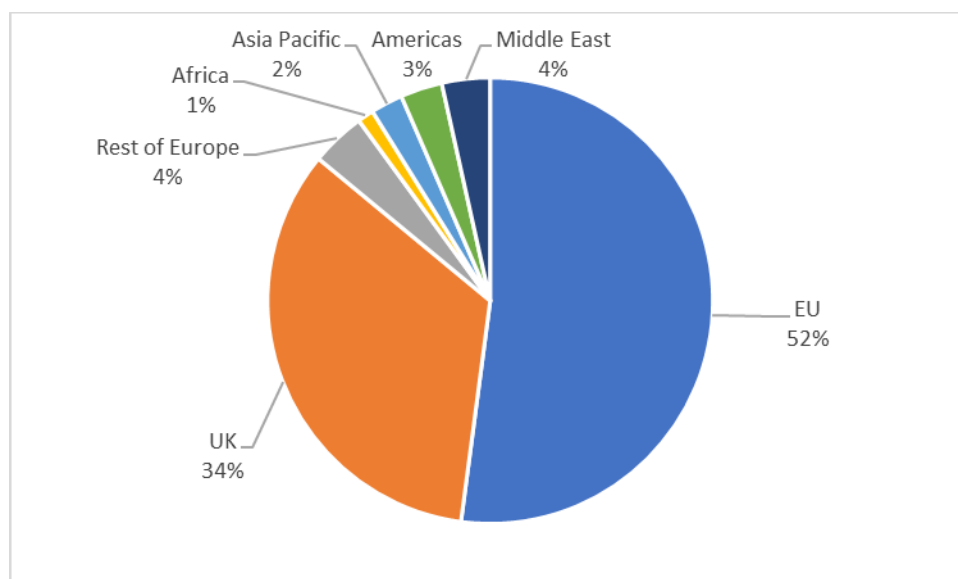


## Annual Conferences

### BELFAST

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the UACES officers took the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 annual conference in Belfast. In total we received over 500 paper proposals as well as 11 proposals for non-traditional panels. These were spread across 54 different countries.

### Origin of paper proposals received for Belfast 2020



### 2021 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 2021 Annual Conference will be hosted by Liverpool John Moores University ([www.uaces.org/liverpool](http://www.uaces.org/liverpool)).

The online call for papers and panels will open in October 2020 with the submission deadline for proposals being 18 January 2021.

## Events in 2018-2019

### UACES AS A HUB IN POST-BREXIT EUROPE

These events were funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of its Jean Monnet Support to Associations funding:

Doctoral Training Academy: Publishing, Aston University, Birmingham 24 November 2018

What for the next European Century? (Graduate Forum Research Conference) Manchester Metropolitan University, 8-9 July 2019

### OTHER EVENTS

Teaching European Studies Workshop, University of Lisbon, 1 September 2019

UACES 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, University of Lisbon, 1-4 September 2019, [www.uaces.org/lisbon](http://www.uaces.org/lisbon).



## Events in 2019-20

### UACES AS A HUB IN POST-BREXIT EUROPE

These events were funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of its Jean Monnet Support to Associations funding:

Doctoral Training Academy: Teaching, Brussels School of International Studies, 22 November 2019

The Graduate Forum research conference, due to take place on 2-3 July 2020 at Humboldt University, Berlin had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### DIVERSITY, INCLUSION AND MULTIDISCIPLINARITY IN EUROPEAN STUDIES (DIMES)

These events were funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union as part of its Jean Monnet projects funding:

Inaugural DIMES workshop, Leiden University, 4-5 March 2020

### OTHER EVENTS

Britain Rues the Waves?: In Conversation with Amelia Hadfield, Brussels School of International Studies, 21 November 2020

UK & EU environmental policies post-Brexit: towards 'rivalrous emulation'? In conversation with Viviane Gravey, Fondation Universitaire Stichting, Brussels, 16 January 2020

Midweek Virtual Meetups – March to April 2020

Graduate Forum online research seminars, fortnightly from May 2020 onwards

UACES Virtual Conference, Online, 7-11 September 2020

## Scholarships

### 2018-2019

In 2018-19 UACES funded 5 scholarships.

- Christine Andreeva (Dublin City University): From Divergence to Coordination? Understanding the Development of the European Union's Counter-Terrorism Policy
- Tamas Dudlak (University of Pécs): Illiberal democracies on the edge of the European Union. Comparison between Hungary and Turkey
- Noémia Pizarro Pereira (ISCTE-University Institute of Lisbon): The effectiveness of the EU's external policy on immigration: an analysis of the migration compacts with Niger and Mali
- Angelica Szucko (University of Brasília - UnB): UK-EU relationship in the context of regional integration process
- Nuve Yazgan (University of Surrey): Reform Implementation during Austerity: Explaining the Greek and Irish Cases

### 2019-2020

In 2019-20, UACES was pleased to be able to offer 6 scholarships thanks to generous support from the James Madison Charitable Trust (JMCT). The objectives of the Trust are to support and promote studies of federal government whether within or among states, including studies of processes that may lead towards the establishment of such government, and to support or promote education and dissemination of knowledge of these subjects. 2 of the scholarships offered in 2019-20 reflected these objectives.

#### UACES Scholarships

- Giulia Casartelli (National and Capodistrian University of Athens): A Foil for Collective Identity: EU Cultural Policies as a Legitimacy Tool
- Timothy Heffernan (University of New South Wales): The politics of belonging amid crisis in Europe
- Rachel Schoner (University of California, San Diego): Repressive Regimes and Individual Petitions in the Human Rights Committee
- Larissa Versloot (University of Copenhagen): Trust in Diplomatic Practice: Negotiating Coalitions

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

## UACES/JMCT Scholarships

- Alexander Mesarovich (University of Edinburgh): The impact of informal political networks on the European Union accession process of former Yugoslav countries
- Jonathan Pugh (University of Portsmouth): Staffing International Organizations: Scandinavia Influencing Global Politics (1970-2020)

Next application deadline: 16 October 2020 (1 deadline each year)

Funding available: 1500 GBP per person.

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

## UACES Research Networks

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

## UACES Research Networks

UACES RNs are designed to encourage networking. The selection criteria for this funding stream are published on the UACES website ([www.uaces.org/networks](http://www.uaces.org/networks)). UACES has received support from the James Madison Charitable Trust which has allowed us to offer funding for 1 additional research network in 2019 and 2020.

### RESEARCH NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEARS

Europe and the Everyday: Grassroots, the EU and the Politics of Crisis (2016-2019)

Europe as International Mediator (2016-2019)

Differentiated Integration in the European Union after 'Brexit' (2017-2020)

INTERSECT: Technology-Security-Society interplays in Europe (2017-2020)

Gendering European Studies (2018-2021)

Effective Enforcement of EU Law & Policy (2018-2021)

### NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN 2018-19

Communicating Europe (2019-2022)

The Limits of EUrope: Challenging the Crisis of European Integration (2019-2022)

### NETWORKS ESTABLISHED IN 2019-2020

Network of EU-Africa Research (NEAR) (2020-2023)

The Role of Europe in Global Challenges: Climate Change and Sustainability (2020-2023)

(Re)Imagining Territorial Politics in Times of Crisis (Funded by the JMCT) (2020-2023)

Next application deadline: 30 October 2020 (1 deadline each year)

Funding available: up to 6000 GBP over 3 years per network

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

## Small Event Grants

### EVENTS FUNDED IN 2018-2019

*The Limits of Europe*, London, UK, 1-2 October 2018

Writers and intellectuals on Britain and Europe, 1918–2018, Newcastle, UK, 1-2 November 2018

Perspectives on European Foreign Policy in the Context of Current EU-Russia Relations, Leiden, The Netherlands, 11 January 2019

Decentring Europe: Critical Approaches to European Foreign Policy, Paris, France, 7 March 2019

Greening the European Union Economy, Norwich, UK, 25-26 April 2019

The Changing Role of Citizens in Reforming EU Democracy, London, UK 15 May 2019

Roma Rights in Europe: Cross-disciplinary Approaches, Cambridge, UK, 17 May 2019

Small States and Security in Europe: Between National and International Policy-Making, Cambridge, UK, 27-28 June 2019

### EVENTS FUNDED IN 2019-2020

Emotions in European Foreign Policy at Populist Times, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 21 November 2019

EU Cross-Border Cooperation Activities and Governance of its Eastern Neighbourhood, Cherkasy Oblast, Ukraine, 22 November 2019

Local and regional stakeholders, and European governance, Nantes, France, 3-6 February 2020

This funding stream is currently on hold due to COVID-19.

Funding available: 1000 GBP per event, [www.uaces.org/small](http://www.uaces.org/small)

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

## Prizes and Awards

### BEST BOOK AND BEST PHD THESIS

Since 2005, UACES has awarded each year, a prize for the Best Book and Best PhD thesis in the area of contemporary European Studies. The awards are traditionally presented at the Annual Conference.

The 2019 winners were:

Jan Zielonka, *Counter-Revolution: Liberal Europe in Retreat* (Oxford University Press, 2018)

Anna Wambach, *The European Union in British news discourse from 2014 to 2015: A Dialectical-Relational Critical Discourse Analysis*, 2018

### LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

In 2019, the award will be presented to Nonna Mayer, Sciences-Po.

The award will take a hiatus in 2020 due to the cancellation of the UACES annual conference.

### JCMS PRIZE

The JCMS prize for 2019 is yet to be awarded.

### JCER PRIZE

In 2016-17 UACES launched a new prize: the Luke Foster JCER Prize for Best Article by an Early-Career Researcher. The prize was awarded in memory of our late Executive Director, Luke Foster.

# PRIZES AND AWARDS

The winner of the 2020 Luke Foster Prize for Best Article is:

Maria Moskovko, Arnljótur Ástvaldsson and Olof Hallonsten

'Who Is ERIC? The Politics and Jurisprudence of a Governance Tool for Collaborative European Research Infrastructures', 15 (3): 249-268. <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v15i3.1028>

The runners-up are:

Luigi Lonardo

'The Relative Influence of the European Council in Common Foreign and Security Policy', 15 (1): 36-56. <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v15i1.967>

and

Martin Sacher

'Macroeconomic Conditionalities: Using the Controversial Link Between EU Cohesion Policy and Economic Governance', 15 (2): 179-193. <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v15i2.1005>



## Journal of Common Market Studies

### IN 2019

Editors: Toni Haastrup and Richard Whitman

Co-Editors: Heather MacRae, Annick Masselot, Mills Soko, Alasdair Young

Book Reviews Editors: Ruby Gropas and Gaby Umbach

Annual Review Editors: Theofanis Exadaktylos, Roberta Guerrina and Emanuele Massetti

ISSN: 0021-9886 (print), 1468-5965 (online)

Volume 57 was published, comprising:

Issue 1: Special Issue guest edited by Rutger Claassen, Anna Gerbrandy, Sebastiaan Princen, Mathieu Segers

Issues 2-7: General Issues

*The JCMS Annual Review of the European Union in 2018* (978-1-119-57208-4)

Excluding the Annual Review, 142 submissions were published. The Annual Review published 12 submissions plus an editorial and a chronology.

### LECTURES

The JCMS Lecture, *European Integration and the politics of Economic Ideas: Economics, economists and market contestation in the Brexit debate*, was delivered by Ben Rosamond in Denver on 9 May 2019.

The JCMS Annual Review Lecture, *How the EU 27 came to be* was delivered by Brigid Laffan in Brussels on 4 April 2019.

### DOWNLOADS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

There were over 425k full text downloads of JCMS articles in 2019. Of these, 28% were downloaded from servers in the UK, 11% in the Netherlands, 10% in Germany, 9% in the USA and 5% in Belgium.

The top 5 downloaded articles in 2019 were:

# PUBLICATIONS

*Why There is a Democratic Deficit in the EU* Andrea Follesdal and Simon Hix, 44:3.

<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1468-5965.2006.00650.x>. (9800, 1st in 2018)

*The European Union and the Securitization of Migration*, Jef Huysmans, 38:5.

<https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00263>. (9590, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2018)

*Normative Power Europe: A Contradiction in Terms?* Ian Manners, 40:2. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00353>. (6772, 5<sup>th</sup> in 2018)

*Reassessing Legitimacy in the European Union* Andrew Moravcsik, 40:4. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-5965.00390>. (6533, 4<sup>th</sup> in 2018)

*The Global Financial Crisis: Causes and Cures*, Jacopo Carmassi, Daniel Gros and Stefano Micossi, 47:5.

<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1468-5965.2009.02031.x>. (4522)

For individual subscribers, Wiley continues to offer UACES members the cheapest subscription rates for the JCMS.

## Journal of Contemporary European Research (JCER)

JCER is an open-access online-only Journal available at [www.jcer.net](http://www.jcer.net).

Editor-in-Chief: Maxine David

Editors: Christopher Huggins and Kenneth McDonagh

Teaching & Learning Editor: Karen Heard-Laureote

ISSN: 1815-347X (online)

Volume 15 was published, comprising:

Issue 1: General Issue

Issue 2: Special Issue on Recent Changes in EU Economic Governance: Methodological and Institutional Dynamics, guest edited by Michele Chang, Martin Sacher, Igor Tkalec

Issue 3: General Issue

Issue 4: General Issue (with a multimedia special section on 'Democracy in Europe').

The top downloaded article (to date) for each issue was:

Tobias Tesche, 'On the Legitimacy of Fiscal Councils in the European Union: Trustees or Orchestrators of Fiscal Discipline?' 15:1 (21-35). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v15i1.993>

Valerie D'Erman, Jörg Haas, Daniel F. Schulz and Amy Verdun, 'Measuring Economic Reform Recommendations under the European Semester: 'One Size Fits All' or Tailoring to Member States?' 15:2 (194-211). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v15i2.999>

Sandra Kröger, 'The Democratic Legitimacy of the 2016 British Referendum on EU Membership' 15:3 (284-298). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v15i3.1052>

Ben Stanley, 'Backsliding Away? The Quality of Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe' 15:4 (343-353). <https://doi.org/10.30950/jcer.v15i4.1122>

## Routledge-UACES Contemporary European Studies series

The book series was established in 2006. Since then 59 titles have been published, with many subsequently released as paperbacks. Routledge continues to make the books available to UACES members at a reduced price.

The series editors are Chad Damro and Elaine Fahey and David Howarth.

In 2019 there were 8 new books published in the series:

- Michele Chang, Federico Steinberg and Francisco Torres, eds., *The Political Economy of Adjustment Throughout and Beyond the Eurozone Crisis: What Have We Learned?*
- Stefan Gänzle, Benjamin Leruth and Jarle Trondal, eds., *Differentiated Integration and Disintegration in a Post-Brexit Era*
- Cherry James, *Citizenship, Nation-building and Identity in the EU: The Contribution of Erasmus Student Mobility*
- Jacint Jordana, Michael Keating, Axel Marx and Jan Wouters, *Changing Borders in Europe: Exploring the Dynamics of Integration, Differentiation and Self-Determination in the European Union*
- Sarah Léonard and Christian Kaunert, *Refugees, Security and the European Union*
- Silvana Tarlea, *Parties, Power and Policy-making: From Higher Education to Multinationals in Post-Communist Societies*
- Lennaert van Heumen and Mechthild Roos, eds., *The Informal Construction of Europe*
- Chien-Huei Wu and Frank Gaenssmantel eds., *Law and Diplomacy in the Management of EU-Asia Trade and Investment Relations*