

# Call for Papers

## ECPAM'2012

September 3-5, 2012

Faculty of Political Science, University of Bucharest

#24, St. Stephan Street, 023997 Bucharest , ROMANIA

### *Political Attitudes and Mentalities:*

#### *The Historical Heritage of Europe – A Challenge for the Future of Political Analysis*

#### ***Issues:***

For more than a half century before 1989, the Western and the Eastern halves of Europe have been divided by political ideologies. After 1989, the two historical halves of Europe found themselves united again by democratic political ideals and regimes. The European Union offered the Eastern and South-Eastern European countries the same unifying societal, political, economical and educational ideals and the same unifying legislation. The burden is now on the countries themselves to find the proper ways to reach these ideals and to put into social practice the European Union ideals and values. One of the main issue in achieving this goal concerns the ways these countries are going to balance the European Union framework with their own cultural and political heritage. It is the heritage of political attitudes and mentalities of the Eastern and South-Eastern European countries that makes the subject of this conference: this heritage is what could divide us or what could make us share our most precious values.

The idea of this Conference is to join the knowledge about the historical political heritage belonging to the Eastern and South-Eastern European universities with the style, and experience of research and high technology-based instruction characterizing the major part of Western European universities and research centres.

This is the reason we are trying to reach the academic and research communities of these countries. They are able to make us all, especially the young generation, join a common project: the project of making known the historical political mentalities and attitudes of different people in Europe and of using this knowledge in political prediction, in governmental decision making, and in developing research and educational programmes.

This is the reason we have chosen this name for our conference: the **European Conference on Political Attitudes and Mentalities, ECPAM'2012.**

## ***Areas of Research which are considered:***

Fundamental and applicative researches, theoretical, experimental and interdisciplinary approaches on the issues of political mentality and political attitude formation and change in the following areas of study:

(1) political science, social psychology, sociology, behavioral psychology, philosophy, religion, history, security studies and conflict theory, corruption studies, participative decision making, environmental and public policy, environment security and sustainable development;

(2) artificial societies, complex adaptive systems, agent-based simulation systems, computational, generative and evolutionary models of social and political systems.

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***Paper Evaluation:***

Papers will be evaluated on a peer-review method.  
Evaluation results will be communicated via e-mail.

***Paper Submission:***

Research papers: A4, .doc files, approx. 3000-5000 words.

***Submission Address:***

The papers should be submitted at the following address: [ecpam2012@yahoo.com](mailto:ecpam2012@yahoo.com)

## ***Submission Deadlines:***

Paper Submissions: May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Paper Evaluation Due: July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Paper Acceptance Acknowledgement: July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Camera-ready Paper Submissions: July 25<sup>th</sup> 2012

## ***Who can submit research papers:***

Academics, faculties, post-doctoral and research fellows, master and doctoral students are kindly invited to present research papers.

## ***Conference Proceedings:***

The conference papers will be published in a conference proceedings by our partner the "Ars Docendi -University of Bucharest" Publishing House, University of Bucharest, Bucharest.

## ***Registration:***

No conference fee.

Those interested in participating with research papers to this conference or just interested in attending the conference working sessions, are kindly invited to register themselves at the conference desk address: [ecpam2012@yahoo.com](mailto:ecpam2012@yahoo.com)

Conference Registration Deadline: July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012.