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Politics without Borders:

A cross-disciplinary exploration of the challenges facing a globalised world

**12 June 2014, University Park,
University of Nottingham**

Keynote speaker: Professor Gerry Stoker

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The second annual Nottingham Postgraduate Conference on Politics and International Relations will be held on **Thursday 12 June 2014** at University Park, **University of Nottingham**. We invite submissions for papers from doctoral candidates, early career researchers and practitioners. Submissions should include a paper title and abstract (200-300 words), full name(s), current position, and at least 3 keywords by **14 March 2014**. Please submit proposals electronically to the appropriate panel organisers, as listed below.

1) International Relations

Organisers: [Filippo Boni](#) and [Caryl Thompson](#)

Topics with a regional or international focus, including:

- Sovereignty, territory and the nation-state
- European Politics, European Governance and International Institutions
- Conflict and warfare – causes and diffusions
- Military and defence issues, including civil-military relations and terrorism
- The geopolitics of energy

2) **International Political Economy**

Organisers: [Gorkem Altinors](#) and [Oana Burcu](#)

Both theoretical and empirical topics in primarily critical strands of IPE, including:

- Theoretical debates in IPE
- Uneven and combined development of capitalism
- Austerity and resistance
- Neoliberalism, financialisation and the global economy
- Democratisation, governance, imperialism and globalisation
- Structure and Agency: Relations with the state and non-state actors

3) **Political Theory and Ideology**

Organiser: [Ignas Kalpokas](#)

Topics looking at looking at the problem of borders in the broadest possible sense, including:

- The state and sovereignty in the era of globalisation
- Democracy, representation & the popular will in contemporary political struggles
- Divisions and inequalities within states and radical political mobilisation
- Approaches towards friendship and enmity, inclusion and exclusion, particularism & universalism
- 'Ideology' versus 'objectivity' and the role of ideologies in modern politics
- Borders within Political Theory and between 'theory' and the 'real' world of politics

4) **British Politics**

Organisers: [Alison Gardner](#) and [Fiona Williams](#)

Topics relating to political debate regarding the role of Britain, and what it means to be British, in a globalised world:

- Concepts of national identity, migration, immigration and post-colonialism
- Devolution, regionalism and intra-national governance
- The shifting boundaries of the state and society, including the role and influence of the private sector and 'big society'
- The impact of the financial crisis, globalisation and trans-national political structures and movements
- Political debate in the UK, from extremism to the legacy of coalition

A **workshop** on advanced qualitative and quantitative research methods, co-hosted by Methods and Data Institute at the University of Nottingham, will also be held following the conference on Friday 13 June, 2014. For further information, please contact [Isabel Taylor](#).

Limited financial assistance may be available for presenters. If you would like to apply, please submit no more than 300 words with your proposal detailing the reasons for requiring funding.