

INTERNATIONAL WINTER SCHOOL ON FEDERALISM AND GOVERNANCE 2012 - FEDERALISM AND MINORITY PROTECTION

The Winter School provides in-depth analyses and practical knowledge regarding the problems, solutions and instruments that are and can be used in creating territorial solutions for minority-based problems. Several case-studies involve key actors who manage territorial issues on a daily basis, both in local, regional and national administrations. These actors have also worked at the international (Council of Europe) and supranational (EU) level, providing a multi-disciplinary perspective. Special attention will be devoted to the Autonomy of South Tyrol.

Among others, the following issues will be addressed during the training: What are the international standards with regard to the territorial organization of countries? How can territorial settings respond to minority claims? What are the main theoretical and practical problems of accommodating minorities through self-government? How to manage multiethnic territories by legal and political means? How can interests of 'old' and 'new' minorities be accommodated in an ever more complex and intertwined world?

DATES AND VENUES

6-17 FEBRUARY 2012

The first week takes place at the Faculty of Law and School of Political Science and Sociology, Leopold-Franzens-Universität Innsbruck, Austria;

The second week takes place at the Institute for Studies on Federalism and Regionalism, European Academy Bolzano/Bozen (EURAC), Italy.

Application deadline: October 31, 2011

For **FURTHER INFORMATION, ENROLMENT PROCEDURE, COSTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

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WHAT IS THE WINTER SCHOOL ABOUT?

The Winter School is a postgraduate programme offering a broad range of courses on federalism and governance. It enables academics, post-docs and practitioners to extend their knowledge in multilevel government and governance, especially from a legal and political science perspective.

The 2012 edition of the Winter School focuses on the topic of “Federalism and Minority Protection”.

Federalism, regionalism, autonomy and devolution often serve to guarantee self-government to minority populations. Several recent federalizing processes are in fact ethnically-driven. The link between federalism and minority rights, however, is not sufficiently explored with regard to its most complex governing dimensions. The Winter School provides answers to a series of issues by combining high-level expertise and problem-oriented approaches.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

The Winter School is designed for applicants who wish to develop and upgrade their knowledge by applying an interdisciplinary and comparative approach:

- young researchers and academics
- post-docs, post-graduate and undergraduate students
- civil servants from a local, regional or national government
- employees of international organizations or NGOs

Please note that the programme builds on assumed knowledge in the area of “Federalism and Minority Protection”

WHAT TO EXPECT IN INNSBRUCK AND BOLZANO/BOZEN?

The 10-day programme offers all participants an international challenging learning environment. It is carried out one week in Austria (Innsbruck) and one week in Italy (Bolzano/Bozen, South Tyrol) and includes:

- lectures by distinguished academics from Europe, North America and Asia;
- roundtable discussions and case studies with experts from various administrations (local, regional, international and supranational level);
- institutional study visits and public lectures in Innsbruck and Bolzano/Bozen with high ranking politicians and civil servants.

Successful participants of the programme are awarded 10 ECTS credits. The working language is English.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

- **Univ.-Prof. Dr. Anna Gamper**
Full Professor at the Department of Public Law, Constitutional and Administrative Theory at the Faculty of Law of the University of Innsbruck.
- **Prof. Dr. Francesco Palermo**
Director of the EURAC Institute for Studies on Federalism and Regionalism, Bolzano/Bozen, Associate Professor for Comparative Constitutional Law at the University of Verona.
- **Univ.-Prof. DDr. Günther Pallaver**
Full Professor at the School of Political Science and Sociology of the University of Innsbruck.



The *Institute for Studies on Federalism and Regionalism* carries out comparative legal studies and applied research on governance trends in federal, regional and supranational systems in Europe and throughout the world. It is part of the *European Academy of Bolzano/Bozen (EURAC)*, an innovative centre for research and training based in South Tyrol, Italy. Founded in 1992 as a private institution, EURAC is composed of 11 research institutes.



The *Leopold-Franzens-Universität Innsbruck*, Austria, founded in 1669, has gained a long-standing reputation for studies on federalism. It serves as the main academic centre of Western Austria and its neighbouring regions. Its 15 faculties, among them the Faculty of Law and the School of Political Science and Sociology, offer a wide range of studies. The University is situated in the heart of the Land Tyrol.

SELECTION OF LECTURERS

- **Dott.ssa Elisabeth Alber** – European Academy of Bolzano/Bozen, Italy
- **Prof. Lidija Basta Fleiner** – University of Belgrade (Permanent visiting professor) and First Vice-President of the Advisory Committee on the FCNM of the Council of Europe
- **Prof. Pierre Bosset** – University of Québec, Canada
- **Prof. Michael C. Davis** – University of Hong Kong, China.
- **Dr. Dekyi Dolkar** – National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan (Visiting scholar)
- **Mag. Alice Engl** – European Academy of Bolzano/Bozen, Italy
- **Univ.-Prof. Dr. Anna Gamper** – University of Innsbruck, Austria
- **Mag. Benedikt Harzl** – European Academy of Bolzano/Bozen, Italy
- **Prof. Dr. Dr. Rainer Hofmann** – Goethe-University, Frankfurt am Main, Germany and President of the Advisory Committee on the FCNM of the Council of Europe
- **Prof. Michael Keating** – University of Aberdeen, United Kingdom
- **Dr. Karl Kössler** – European Academy Bolzano/Bozen, Italy
- **Dr. Roberta Medda Windischer** – European Academy of Bolzano/Bozen, Italy
- **Prof. Dr. Francesco Palermo** – European Academy Bolzano/Bozen and University of Verona, Italy
- **Dr. Julie Ringelheim** – Louvain University, Belgium and Sciences-Po Paris, France (Visiting Fellow)
- **Prof. Dr. Eduardo J. Ruiz Vieytes** – University of Deusto, Bilbao, Spain
- **Prof. Dr. Daniel Thürer** – University of Zürich, Switzerland
- **Dr. Gabriel N. Toggenburg** - European Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA), Vienna, Austria
- **DDr. Herwig van Staa** (tbc) – President of the Tyrolean Parliament, Austria
- **Prof. Dr. Mitja Žagar** – University of Ljubljana, Slovenia