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**XXVIII  
CONFERENCE OF THE SPANISH ASSOCIATION OF  
INTERNATIONAL LAW AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS  
PROFESSORS (AEPDIRI)**

**A NEW WORLD, A NEW EUROPE.**  
Reshaping the European Union in the Era of Brexit

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Call for papers

**Jean Monnet Project**

Globalizing the Union's Debate: Internal and  
External Leadership in an Era of Challenges - EUGLOBAL  
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**I. GOALS OF THE CONFERENCE**

◇ **Presentation:**

The Spanish Association of International Law and International Relations Professors (AEPDIRI) (<http://www.aepdiri.org>), in cooperation with the Department of Public International Law and International Relations of the University of Granada will hold its 28th Conference under the title “A New World, A New Europe. Reshaping the European Union in the Era of Brexit” on September 18-20, 2019, in Granada.



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The theme of the Conference aims to address the major issues regarding the evolution and changes in today's international society that are impacting on one of its main actors, the European Union currently at an existential crossroads.

The European Union is currently at a turning point that perhaps epitomizes and marks out the phenomenon of Brexit. The decision taken in June 2016 by the British people, one of the largest Member States of the Union, has caused a formidable political, economic, social and legal earthquake that has added up to other processes, trends and events that already demanded the Union to reconsider itself as a social and political project and, also, as an international actor.

The effects of the financial and public debt crisis that has hit the European Union and its Member States hard in the past decade are still felt in European societies and labour markets, undermining the legitimacy and social support of the European Union and urging the reactivation of its social agenda. All this occurs precisely at a time when the actual remodelling of the economic governance of the Union, both monetary and fiscal, still needs to be completed; when a new multiannual budgetary framework is to be agreed.

The so-called refugee crisis has placed the area of freedom, security and justice under enormous pressure to the point of threatening the endurance of the Schengen area and even questioning the Union's own adherence to its values and principles.

Notably alarming is the observance of the rule of law by some Member States; this has led to the unprecedented mobilization of legal and institutional mechanisms in defence of one of the foundational values common to the Union and its Member States, set out in Article 2 of the Treaty on European Union. In fact, the application of the principles of mutual trust and mutual recognition, keys of the European area of judicial and police cooperation, shows worrying signs of exhaustion.



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The international panorama (ranging from the European Union neighbourhood to the Trump Administration) is changing drastically in directions that are already beginning to take shape, but whose effects are not easy to measure. Changes are being demanded from the Union a new balance between its interests and its principles and values (see the Global Strategy for the EU's Foreign and Security Policy).

In this sense, even sidestepping the appeal to rebuild the Union, perhaps used too lightly by some political actors, one may agree that the European Union faces a transcendent moment of reshaping.

Thus, it is essential that the Conference focuses on showing the changes in the international arena and Brexit's impact on the Union. We suggest that the academic debate be structured in six specific panels open to the submission of paper proposals.

◇ **Conference Themes:**

Paper proposals should relate to one of the following 6 themes and shall be included in one of the six special panels. Five panels shall deal with specific aspects of the reshaping of the European Union in the light of the United Kingdom's withdrawal.

Great Britain and the European Union reached a draft withdrawal agreement, endorsed by the Heads of State or Government of the Twenty-seven Member States in the European Council (Article 50) of November 25, 2018, but its ratification has been strongly rejected by the British Parliament in January 2019.

Thus, the terms of the withdrawal (should it finally materialize) are uncertain. The Court of Justice of the European Union confirmed, in its Judgement of 10 December 2018 in the Wightman case (C-621/18, EU:C:2018:999), that the United Kingdom could unilaterally revoke its



withdrawal decision. Nor can one rule out the possibility of a unanimous agreement that extends the two-year term provided for by Article 50 TEU.

Therefore, regardless of these uncertainties, Brexit triggers distinct scenarios leaving the European Union at the existential crossroads from which it has to face all major internal and external challenges ahead.

***PANEL 1: Reshaping the judicial and internal security space in the era of Brexit***

Issues arising within this theme may include, but are not limited to:

- The reformulation of the asylum policy of the European Union
- The rebuilding of the Schengen Area
- The management of European internal security without the United Kingdom
- The crisis of the principle of mutual trust
- The European internal security architecture
- The renewed strategy of internal security
- Terrorism, cybercrime and organized crime
- The regulation of the Area of freedom, security and justice in the Withdrawal Agreement
- Judicial cooperation in civil and commercial matters with the United Kingdom after Brexit

***PANEL 2: Reshaping the Union's external security in the era of Brexit***

Issues arising within this theme may include, but are not limited to:

- Current geopolitical readjustments and European security
- Global terrorism and hybrid threats
- The neighbourhood policy and European security



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- The implementation of the Global Strategy for the EU's Foreign and Security Policy
- Permanent structured cooperation in the field of defence (PESCO)
- NATO and the defence of Europe
- A foreign policy and European defence without the United Kingdom: potentialities and limitations

### ***PANEL 3: Internal market and economic union in the era of Brexit***

Issues arising within this theme may include, but are not limited to:

- The Banking Union: balance and pending objectives
- Challenges of the internal market before the termination of Agenda 2020
- The fiscal governance of the Union and the new budgetary framework
- The withdrawal agreement: financial provisions
- Internal market and economic union in the provisions on the separation of the withdrawal agreement
- The international activity of companies and the Brexit
- Free movement of workers with the United Kingdom
- Free competition and market protection after Brexit

### ***PANEL 4: Institutional impact of Brexit and the methodological redefinition of the study of the European Union***

Issues arising within this theme may include, but are not limited to:

- *The departure from the United Kingdom and the right of withdrawal in International Law*
- *Impact of Brexit on the new institutional cycle: Parliament and Council*
- *Effects of Brexit on the practice of the Court of Justice of the European Union*



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- *The institutional management of the exit: institutional and final provisions of the withdrawal agreement*
- *Crisis of conceptual frameworks for scientific understanding of the European Union: Are international categories still useful?*

**PANEL 5: Reshaping citizenship and the rights of citizens in the era of Brexit**

Issues arising within this theme may include, but are not limited to:

- *The European Pillar of Social Rights*
- *European citizenship: crisis or resurgence?*
- *The protection of fundamental rights in the European Union*
- *The rights of European citizens after Brexit: analysis of the Second Part of the Withdrawal Agreement*
- *The preservation of individual rights during the transition period.*
- *Data protection in relations with the United Kingdom*
- *Consumer protection in relations with the United Kingdom*

**PANEL 6: The evolution of the international system in the era of Brexit**

Issues arising within this theme may include, but are not limited to:

- *The new neighbourhood of the European Union after Brexit*
- *The future relationship of the European Union with the United Kingdom*
- *Modifications in international actors and processes*
- *The global commons in the face of multilateralism crisis*
- *Contemporary conflicts and international pacification action*
- *The Free Trade Agreements with the United Kingdom*



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## II. SUBMISSION AND ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSALS

### ◇ **Formal requirements**

The scientific committee will review the abstracts submitted for each panel. Only individual proposals will be considered. The submission is limited to one abstract per author. Each author shall submit the following documents, in Word format:

1. Document containing only the following data: title of the proposal and the panel for which it is presented; full name of the proposer; University of origin; academic position; whether the proposer is a current member of the AEPDIRI.
2. An abstract, which should not include the name of the author, but only the title of the proposal, the panel for which it is presented, and 3-5 key words. The full extension shall be between 1000 and 1500 words.
3. Short CV (max 3 pages).

Failure to comply with these requirements, including anonymity, will lead to the automatic exclusion of the proposal.

### ◇ **Deadline and submission:**

Abstracts (in word format, not exceeding 1500 words) must be submitted via the conference email: [comunicacionesaepdiri2019@dipri.org](mailto:comunicacionesaepdiri2019@dipri.org) before May 15, 2019.

In the Subject, the author shall specify the panel for which the paper should be considered. Authors shall receive confirmation of receipt.

### ◇ **Selection criteria**

The Scientific Committee will evaluate the proposals according to the following criteria:



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- 1. Relevance to the panel theme
- 2. Quality and innovativeness of the proposal.
- 3. Originality of the proposal.

The Committee will select up to a maximum of six paper proposals for each Panel. Selected abstracts will then be sent to the Academic Committee with an indication of the preferred selection of those that may be the subject of an oral presentation at the Conference. The Academic Committee of the Conference will take a decision on this issue, no later than June 15, 2019 and will notify the authors whose proposals have been selected via email, indicating:

- a) The selection of the proposal for oral presentation at the Conference and the subsequent submission of the full text for its prospective publication.
- b) The selection of your proposal, without oral presentation, and the submission of the full text for its prospective publication.

The organization of the XXVIII Conference will not cover the eventual expenses of travel and lodging of the authors of accepted papers, nor their registration fees. All authors must be duly registered. The absence of registration shall suppose the exclusion of the paper in question.

### **III. PUBLICATION**

The acceptance of the paper proposal for oral presentation or the invitation to present the full text does not imply acceptance for its publication. The full papers will be evaluated again by the Academic Committee with the assistance of external blind reviewers.

The collective work, directed and edited by the AEPDIRI, will be published in a national publishing house.





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The full paper must be submitted according to the style rules of the REDI (<http://www.revista-redi.es/es/normas-de-estilo/>). The paper shall not exceed 5000 words and must be submitted in Word format, with font type 'Times New Roman' (body 12, footnotes 10).

Full papers must be submitted via email to the following address [comunicacionesaepdiri2019@dipri.org](mailto:comunicacionesaepdiri2019@dipri.org) before September 15, 2019.

The final decision on the acceptance or rejection of the final paper for the purpose of its inclusion in the collective work resulting from the conference shall be notified before October 15, 2019.

#### **IV. SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE**

The Scientific Committee shall select the paper proposals for oral presentation and select the final papers of outstanding value to be published.

**Scientific Committee I shall select papers for Panels 1, 3 and 5.** It has the following members:

Dr. Francisco Aldecoa Luzárraga (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)

Dr. Rafael García Pérez (Universidad de Santiago de Compostela)

Dr. Luis M. Hinojosa Martínez (Universidad de Granada)

Dra. Pilar Jiménez Blanco (Universidad de Oviedo)

Dra. Nuria Marchal Escalona (Universidad de Granada)

Dra. Carmen Martínez Capdevila (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid)

Dr. Ángel Sánchez Legido (Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha)

Dra. Esther Zapater Duque (Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona)



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**Scientific Committee II shall select papers for Panels 2, 4 and 6.** It has the following members:

Dra. Pilar Diago Diago (Universidad de Zaragoza)

Dra. Caterina García Segura (Universidad Pompeu Fabra)

Dr. Rafael Grasa Hernández (Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona)

Dr. Javier Roldán Barbero (Universidad de Granada)

Dra. Ana Salinas de Frías (Universidad de Málaga)

Dra. Mercedes Soto Moya (Universidad de Granada)

Dr. Juan Santos Vara (Universidad de Salamanca)

Dr. José Manuel Sobrino Heredia (Universidad de A Coruña)

#### **V. TIMELINE (HIGHLIGHTED DATES)**

Deadline for submission of proposals	15 May 2019
Notification of accepted paper proposals	15 June 2019
Deadline for submission of full papers	15 September 2019
Notification of papers selected for publishing	15 October 2019