

Call for papers**EUI Workshop on Political Behaviour in Central and Eastern Europe**

Dates: June 19-20, 2025

European University Institute, Florence, Italy

Description

The Department of Political and Social Sciences (SPS) at the European University Institute is pleased to announce the second edition of the workshop on political behaviour in Central and Eastern Europe (CEE). The workshop understands political behaviour broadly and is open to papers studying public opinion and attitudes, voting, elections, political parties, inter-group relations, and political participation. The goal of this event is to bring together scholars, both from the East and the West, who empirically study political realities in CEE through within-country, between-country, or between-region (e.g., East-West) comparison. Papers investigating general research questions that are not specific to CEE are also very welcome as long as they comprise a significant empirical component from the region (e.g., half of the studied cases are from CEE). The workshop embraces all methodological approaches, but submissions that employ quantitative or mixed methods will be given priority. Each accepted paper will be thoroughly discussed, and the workshop will offer ample opportunities for establishing professional connections and collaborations.

Submission Guidelines

To apply for the workshop, scholars should send an abstract of 150 to 300 words to Ms Olena Shcherbatiuk (olena.shcherbatiuk@eui.eu, with marco.pistolesi@eui.eu in copy), stating "Workshop Abstract" in the email subject line. The email should include your gender, academic status, affiliation and citizenship information. You should also indicate whether you apply for financial support (see the Costs section below).

The submission deadline is Friday, March 28th, 2024, at 12:00 CET. Selected participants will be informed by Monday, April 14. Scholars from Central and Eastern Europe, women, and PhD students are particularly encouraged to apply. The selection will aim to strike a balance in terms of gender, geography, and seniority. Any participant can be asked to chair a session and/or discuss up to two papers. The best paper presented by a junior participant will receive the [Jacques Rupnik Prize](#). More information is available on the workshop's website: <https://www.eui.eu/en/projects/political-behaviour-in-central-and-eastern-europe>.

Costs & Financial Support

The workshop is entirely free of charge and all participants will receive complimentary meals and coffee during the event. Participants who are academically based in selected countries* are eligible for full reimbursement of their travel and accommodation costs (of up to 750 euros).

*In the European Union: Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, and Slovenia. Outside the European Union: Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Georgia, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Moldova, and Ukraine.

Organising Team and Contacts

Academic questions can be addressed to the workshop convenor Professor Filip Kostelka (filip.kostelka@eui.eu). EUI faculty members such as Professors Simon Hix and Hanspeter Kriesi, will participate in the workshop as presenters and/or discussants.

Logistical questions can be sent to Mr Marco Pistolesi (marco.pistolesi@eui.eu).