15th WIRE Workshop
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Youth in International Relations

22nd & 23rd May 2023

Call for papers
The Workshop Conveners welcome the submission of proposals for thematic papers to be presented at the Workshop scheduled for Spring 2023 (22nd & 23rd May 2023).

Theme

Young people are increasingly centre stage on the international scene, visible through climate strikes and marches, interventions at international summits, trials against corporations and states, protests against certain national regimes, etc. Sometimes depicted as destabilisers and contesters of the international order, they also embrace leadership roles within this order with an increasing number of UN positions related to youth, but they also often end up victims of international politics.

In order to clarify all these youth roles, the 2023 WIRE Workshop will discuss existing research on youth in international relations, exploring the causes and consequences of the presence and theorisation of youth on the international scene. Among others, we look for papers which will address the following questions:

- How are youth conceptualised in international relations?
- What types of political actors are they?
- What does youth involvement tell us about international relations dynamics?

These questions, and more, will be addressed during the Workshop. The WIRE Workshop is transdisciplinary and welcomes thought-provoking and exploratory papers from any relevant disciplines. Papers can be conceptual but can also deal with empirical case studies.

Format

The number of participants will be limited to twenty. The authors of the selected abstracts will be required to submit a paper of 8,000 words one month before the event, and all the papers will be circulated to the Workshop participants. The participants will be expected to read all papers, and each will also serve as a designated commentator for one paper. At the Workshop, each paper will be the subject of a rigorous discussion and brainstorming, starting with the comments of the designated commentator, after which the floor will be opened to all participants for comments and discussion.
This format is designed to stimulate in-depth discussions, provide authors with valuable expert feedback and let participants get acquainted in an informal setting.

Some of the papers discussed at the Workshop will have the opportunity to be published in a special journal issue. The authors will be invited to submit a revised version of their papers after the Workshop. Details will be provided at the Workshop.

The Workshop will be hybrid: in-person and online, if safety protocols at the time allow and for environmental reasons. Otherwise, the workshop will be conducted online via Zoom.

**Submission of proposals**

Abstracts (maximum 300 words), along with a short biography (one paragraph), should be submitted no later than October 31st, 2022 to amandine.orsini@usaintlouis.be and yihyun.kang@usaintlouis.be.

**Equity, diversity and inclusion**

The Conveners are committed to equity and global engagement and strive to achieve excellence by ensuring diversity among the Workshop participants.

**Fees and travel allowance**

There is no registration fee. Limited funding will be available. Authors should indicate in the submission form if they require funding to attend the Workshop and the Conveners will do their best to accommodate these requests.

**Workshop organizers**

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- Yi hyun Kang, Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles

**Partners**

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