

Rundmail 05.2023: Attention, dates for diaries and deadlines from 15.05.!!



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Dear colleagues interested in ocean and polar politics and our thematic group, this mail starts with calls for proposals: of panels (1-2), of sessions (3), and of papers (4). These are followed by three international calls for PhD/postdoc proposals (5-6) and a fellowship (7), as well as two calls for funding applications by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research, BMBF (8). You will then find five interesting events to take part in (9-13), lists of interesting publications, academic and grey, as well as documents (14-16), and conclusion of the mail with our usual call to send us anything interesting for the members of this group for the next newsletter and final words (17).

1. Call for Panels, 2 Slots for DVPW IB-Sektion at ISA 2024, Deadline for submission, 22. May 2023!

The IB section of the DVPW (to which the thematic group is affiliated) has two fixed panel slots for the next ISA (April 3-6, 2024, San Francisco). The organizers of the panels must be section members, the paper-givers, chairs and discussants not - rather the panels should be as international and diverse as usual at ISA (all panel participants must have an ISAnet account though). Panel proposals (complete, i.e. Chair, Discussant, 5 papers with abstracts and contact details of all contributors) to the IB-Sektion by May 22, 6pm: <IB-Sektion@dvpw.de>. The section-speakers will make a timely selection. Any panels that may not be considered for DVPW slots can still be submitted through the regular process (deadline June 1). Coordination of submissions within our group would be appreciated. More info about ISA here: <<https://www.isanet.org/Conferences/ISA2024>>

2. Call for Panels, DVPW-Kongress, Göttingen 24-27.09.2024, Deadlines for submission, 30.06.2023 and 31.10.2023

The call is for open panels (first deadline) and closed panels and roundtables (second deadline). Calls for panels on topics of our thematic group could be circulated via our list. Coordination within the group would be desirable in order to most efficiently use our resources. We should be present in any case with panels and papers to demonstrate the value of your topics for political science! Call and submissions here: <<https://www.dvpw.de/dvpw2024>>

3. Call for Session Proposals, Arctic Congress, Bodø 29.05.-03.06.2024, Deadline for submission, 15.06.2023!

The Arctic Congress 2024 will unite three big Arctic conference events: The University of the Arctic Congress, the International Congress on Arctic Social Sciences (ICASS XI), and the High North Dialogue. Since Bodø will also be European Capital of Culture that year, certainly a place to be. Panel and Paper abstract submission deadline will be 30.11.2023.

If you consider a session proposal, coordination is appreciated. More info and submission here: <<https://www.arcticcongress.com/call-for-session-proposals>>

4. Call for papers, Tagung "Rückkehr zur Geopolitik?", Metz, 22-24.11.23, Deadline for submission, 26.05.2023

Not directly linked to our topics, but certainly marine and polar issues seem relevant here as well - particularly regarding the role of "geopolitics in the discourse". The organizers write (slightly edited here): The conference will examine the main geostrategic challenges for Europe in its global context from German and French perspectives....specific case studies...informed by the resurgence of geopolitical thinking in German and French strategic analysis would be on the program. Moreover, the convergences and divergences or even temporal shifts in perceptions and operational foreign policy on both sides of the Rhine are examined, including the geopolitical implications of the new strategic orientations and the recently defined feminist foreign policies of the two countries. Finally, the goal is to elaborate how the (new) German and French foreign policies are articulated at the EU level. Thereby also a look into the past, which helps to illuminate individual aspects of current conflicts and debates is welcome. Since both the pragmatic and as well as the conceptual dimension are of interest, the treatment of past and present geostrategic debates in the media in the broadest sense will also be a topic. This call is addressed both to established colleagues as well as young scholars from different disciplines. Proposals (approximately one page in German, English or French) together with a brief bio-bibliographical note to <reiner.marcowitz@univ-lorraine.fr>

5. Three PhD-Positions, Faculty of Arts (FA), University Groningen (UG), Deadline for submissions, 01.06.2023

The FA at UG to which the University's IR-department and Arctic Centre belong, calls for 3 PhD positions. These are highly competitive. Only theoretically and methodologically innovative proposals will stand a chance. Applications need approval by a supervising professor from UG. Anyone interested with an Arctic and Ocean topic within IR would need to connect to one of the following research areas. "History and Theory of European Integration", "International Political Economy", "History and Theory of International Relations", "International Relations and Security Studies". Questions regarding PhDs with polar or marine topics within the above IR research areas can be directed to <c.humrich@rug.nl>. All other inquiries and more information see here: <<https://www.rug.nl/about-ug/work-with-us/job-opportunities/?details=00347-02S000A3DP&cat=phd>>.

6. Eight Postdoc-Positions Kiel University, Deadline for submissions, 31.05.2023

"The KiTE - Kiel (University) Training for Excellence program KiTE is a career development programme for excellent postdoctoral researchers from all over the world who want to conduct independent research, are enthusiastic about the interdisciplinary research approaches of Kiel University's four priority research areas, and are interested in international and intersectoral mobility. The open-topic call invites submission of project ideas from early postdoctoral researchers. The project should be linked to research conducted within one of the four Priority Research Areas (PRAs) at Kiel University". Among them: Kiel Marine Science (KMS) and Societal, Environmental and Cultural Change (SECC). "Applications are accepted from excellent postdoctoral researchers of any nationality who at the deadline of the KiTE call have no more than four years of research experience after completing their doctorate, and who comply with the MCSA mobility rule, i.e. candidates may not have resided or carried out their main activity in Germany for more than 12 months in the three years before the closing date of the call." Details here: <www.uni-kiel.de/en/kite>.

7. Call for Fellowship Applications on the Geopolitics of Outer Space and other pressing research topics in the field of international politics, deadline for submissions, 01.07.2023

"The Academy for International Affairs, NRW targets to open up an interdisciplinary platform and initiate discussions and collaborations in the field of Outer Space Affairs" More information here: <<https://www.aia-nrw.org/en/fellows/calls/>>

8. Call for multi-disciplinary funding applications, BMBF, Deadline for application 05.06.2023

There are two recent calls from the BMBF. They are not specifically social-science oriented, and the call for the "blue economy" is already past its deadline (with a time period for submission of applications of only three weeks!!). However, both calls are interesting in order to see the structure of BMBF funding. The still open call „Blauer Ozean – Entwicklung von Handlungsempfehlungen zum Erhalt und Schutz der marinen Biodiversität“, states: "Die Erkenntnisse aus den überwiegend naturwissenschaftlichen Themenschwerpunkten 1 und 2 werden in trans- disziplinärer Zusammenarbeit (unter anderem mit Sozial-, Wirtschafts- und Rechtswissenschaften) genutzt, um Handlungswissen zu generieren, welches Entscheidungs- bzw. Transformationsprozesse in Politik, Wirtschaft und Gesellschaft ermöglicht." The already closed call "Eine nachhaltige blaue Wirtschaft für eine bessere Zukunft", states: "Parallel zur thematischen Ausarbeitung des Projektvorschlags sollte aufgezeigt werden, welche Wirkung die Forschungsergebnisse langfristig erzielen und wie diese zu einem definierten Handlungswissen beitragen, um: das Wirkungspotenzial über die akademische Welt hinaus, beispielsweise in gesellschaftlichen, technischen, öko- logischen, wirtschaftlichen, politischen oder verhaltensbezogenen Bereichen zu verankern; relevante Stakeholder an der Gestaltung und Durchführung des Forschungsprojekts von Anfang an zu beteiligen und/oder davon profitieren zu lassen; die Übernahme von Forschungsergebnissen in Entscheidungsprozesse und Politikgestaltung zu gewährleisten; eine maximale Außenwirkung des Forschungsprojekts zu erzielen." **Both Calls are attached to this Mail!**

9. Offene Sektionstagung, Zeppelin-Uni, Friedrichshafen, 14-16.06.2023

At the open meeting of DVPW's IR section we are only represented with one thematic paper (Patrick Flamm: "The strategic value of ecological protection: The case of Antarctica"). Even without broader participation of our TG, the program is worth a look! <<https://www.zu.de/lehrstuehle/internationale-sicherheitspolitik/sektionstagung.php>>. **The final program is attached.**

10. European International Studies Association, Pan-European Conference, Potsdam, 06.-09.09.2023

There will be a strong "Blue turn" section at this conference! Look out for the program: to be published 28.06.2023. Registration is already open and seems to remain so at least until 08.08.2023. Further information here: <<http://pec2023.eisa-net.org>>

11. EU-Polarboard, Webinar "Governing and protecting the Antarctic and Southern Ocean", 15.05.2023, 14.00

The webinar "gives an overview of Antarctic Governance and various actors involved – the Antarctic Treaty and its related agreements including the Madrid Protocol; other international agencies and organisations that provide advice and support the work of the ATS; other conventions that are relevant for the Southern Ocean." Information and registration here: <<https://www.europeanpolarboard.org/news-events/news/article/news/governing-and-protecting-the-antarctic-and-southern-ocean-webinar/>>

12. Academy of International Affairs, NRW, Summer Academy, "Outer Space", Bonn, 03.09.-08.09.2023, Deadline for applications, 01.06.2023

While not in our thematic portfolio, it might be closely related as space without traditional territorial sovereignty and governance. The host writes: "With growing geostrategic and economic importance, space has long since become the fifth domain of international politics, alongside land, sea, air and cyberspace. A dangerous arms race is underway in both the military and civilian spheres. At the Summer Academy, we want to discuss current developments and future scenarios of planetary geopolitics with experts from politics, space and science. The focus will be on possibilities of international space governance oriented towards sustainability and cooperation." More information here: <<https://www.aia-nrw.org/en/e/outer-space-affairs-a-critical-key-domain-of-international-politics/>>

13. Lecture Series at University Greifswald: "Interdisciplinary Approaches to the Baltic Sea Region. Spotlight on Marine Governance & Environmental Change", Thursdays, 18.15 - 19.45.

The series has already started, but goes on until end of July. **The program is attached.** For online participation please write to <baltic-peripeties@uni-greifswald.de>.

14. New Academic Literature on Arctic and Ocean Politics - with contributions from scholars related to our thematic group

(a) just out: Trif, Dana (2023): Negotiating 'access' to the international 'rules-based order': Taiwan's South China Sea policy, The Pacific Review, DOI: 10.1080/09512748.2023.2206160

(b) already last year: Harris, Paul G. (ed. 2022): The Routledge Handbook of Marine Governance and Global Environmental Change, London: Routledge - with 27 overview chapters on the topic, among them contributions of TG related scholars.

(c) in that connection check out also: Borg, Simone et al. (eds. 2023): Edward Elgar Research Handbook on Ocean Governance Law, Cheltenham: Edward Elgar

(d) with very interesting articles setting the stage for social science ocean research: Gonçalves, Leandra R., D.G Webster, Candace May (eds. 2022): Special Issue: Science for Ocean Sustainability, Earth System Governance, 14, 10155ff. Open access here: <<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/earth-system-governance/special-issue/1007W43KH40>>.

15. New Grey Literature on Arctic and Ocean Politics

(a) White Paper: „Ocean“, from 2022 by the International Law Association. For download here: <<https://www.ilaparis2023.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/ADI-ILA-ocean-VHD-EN.pdf>>

(b) Report: „Arctic cooperation in a new situation“, 2023 by Timo Koivurova et al. for the Finnish Government. For download here: <<https://julkaisut.valtioneuvosto.fi/handle/10024/164521>>.

(c) Report „Navigating Breakup: Security realities of freezing politics and thawing landscapes in the Arctic“, Input Report for the Arctic Security Roundtable at the Munich Security Conference 2023“, by NUPI. For download here: <<https://www.nupi.no/en/publications/cristin-pub/navigating-breakup-security-realities-of-freezing-politics-and-thawing-landscapes-in-the-arctic>>

(d) International Arctic Social Science Association (IASSA) Newsletter „Northern Notes“, No. 57; **attached to this mail.**

(e) International Arctic Science Council Bulletin 2023. This report on IASC activities can be downloaded here <<https://iasc.info/news/iasc-news/1137-iasc-2023-bulletin>> .

(f) From the Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung <www.bpb.de> licensed publications (in German) of Esther Gonstalla „Das Eisbuch“ and Michael Paul's „Der Kampf um den Nordpol“ can be ordered for 4,50 € per piece.

16. New Documents on Polar and Ocean Politics

(a) the general research and innovation strategy of the Federal Government of Germany is interesting for its (rather limited) ocean and polar social science related part "Raumfahrt stärken, Weltraum und Meere erforschen, schützen und nachhaltig nutzen". It says among other things: „Wir wollen die

gesellschaftlichen, rechtlichen, politischen und ökonomischen Herausforderungen und Chancen im Schutz und der nachhaltigen Entwicklung der Meere besser verstehen – sowohl in Nord- und Ostsee als auch in den Weltmeeren – **und die diesbezügliche Forschung in Deutschland strukturell stärken.**“ If that's not interesting!! The strategy can be downloaded here: <https://www.bmbf.de/bmbf/de/forschung/zukunftsstrategie/zukunftsstrategie_node.html>.

(b) The Norwegian program for the Arctic Council has been published here: <<https://www.regjeringen.no/en/dokumenter/norways-chairship-of-the-arctic-council/id2968490/#:~:text=The%20overall%20objective%20for%20Norway%27s,people%20living%20in%20the%20region>>

(c) Quite old already, but nevertheless an interesting read and seems important for German BMBF's funding strategy for marine research: the EU's „Mission Starfish“ for the restoration of marine areas. It can be read here: <https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/knowledge-publications-tools-and-data/publications/all-publications/mission-starfish-2030-restore-our-ocean-and-waters_en>

(d) For those interested in Arctic research: there is an international UN Ocean Decade Arctic Action Plan. Downloadable here: <<https://www.oceandecade.dk/decade-actions/arctic-action-plan>>

17. Next Mail for the thematic group: Deadline 26.05.2023

Any reports, sources, other information you would like to share with the group? Please send it to the address below until above indicated deadline! If you would not like to receive this mail anymore or if your address has changed, please let us know with mail to this address: <polarmar@dvpw.de>.

All best, we hope to see you around at some of the upcoming events!!

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