### CENTER FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES EPOKA UNIVERSITY

Activity Report 2021-2022





**ABOUT CES** 

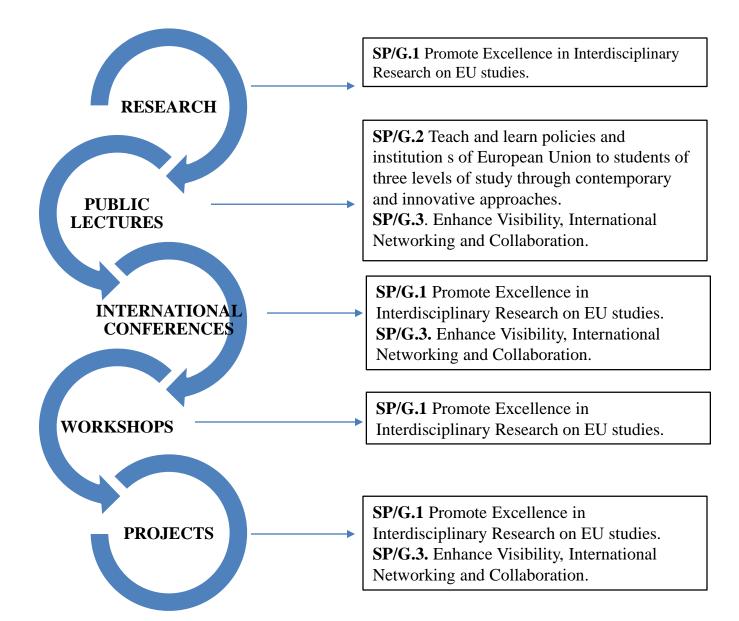
Epoka University Center for European Studies (CES) is a **multi-disciplinary** research program having as its main scope the improvement of the understanding of Global Issues and Interdisciplinary studies.

Mission: communicate and discuss the integration process to the following stakeholders:

- ✓ Academicians
- ✓ Students
- ✓ Civil Society Actors
- ✓ International Centers/ Foundations

Current focus: Western Balkans EU Integration

# **Activities**



### **ACTIVITY PLAN**

### Research

- Reorganizing/Updating CES Research Groups
- Publication of the Forthcoming Issue of 'Journal for European Social Research"
- Jean Monnet Project Application

### Open Forums

• Series of EU Open Lectures "Regional Integration of Western Balkans"

# Opportunities for Students/Researchers

• Call for Internship









JOURNAL OF EUROPEAN SOCIAL RESEARCH PROCEEDINGS/BOOK
PUBLICATIONS



**5 RESEARCH AREAS** 



# RESEARCH IN CES

### **5 RESEARCH AREAS**



1- "EU Enlargement and Integration"

2- "Save the Planet: EU Strategy for Environmental Protection"

3- "The European Union and Democracy Assistance"

4-"European Economic Integration: Politics & Policy"

5- "Peace and Well Being in the Western Balkans: Peace and Well Being in Europe"

### JOURNAL OF EUROPEAN SOCIAL RESEARCH

The Journal of European Social Research is a multi-disciplinary social science, blind peer- reviewed scholarly journal published quarterly, in both hard and soft copies by the Center for European Studies of Epoka University in Tirana, Albania

• SP/Goal 1/ Objective 1.1./
Measure 1.1.4.: Launch at least once a year the call for articles for the Journal of European of European Social Research with Interdisciplinary orientation.

### Journal of European Social Research (JESR): Call for Papers.

### Deadline: June 1st, 2021

The Journal of European Social Research aims at providing a medium for interdisciplinary debate regarding the theory and practice of area studies as well as for empirical studies of European politics, economy, cultures, and societies. The central area focus of the journal is European in its broadest geographical definition with a special emphasis on the southeastern part. The Journal intends to be a focus for the interest of both cross-national and single-country specialists in European social research.

Manuscript proposals shall be related to one of the research areas of the Center for European Studies.

#### Submission Deadlines and Instructions

Research articles published in the Journal of European Social Research must undergo accurate peer review, based on initial editor screening by at least two anonymous referees.

All submissions must link issues of politics and development with aspects of European Integration. Please indicate clearly if the article is under consideration by another publisher.

This journal provides immediate open access to its content on the principle that making research freely available to the public supports a greater global exchange of knowledge.

Articles should be in English, typed in double spacing (including all notes and references), with pages numbered. Articles should not normally exceed 7,000 words in length. Shorter articles, including research notes and comments, are welcome. Review articles should normally be no more than 5,000 words in length. Book reviews should normally be between 750 and 1,400 words.

For a full guideline of the manuscript format please look at the previous issue published last year at the below link: https://epoka.edu.al/mat/ces/Journal\_of\_European\_Social\_Research\_Volume3.pdf

### Submission deadline: June 1st, 2021.

To submit: You will be required to send the full paper and author's/s' bios by email at ces@epoka.edu.al

Please send inquiries, subject heading EJSR V4 I1 - Paper Submission to ces@epoka.edu.al



### **WB-EUPath Jean Monnet Module Application**

Application forms

Call: ERASMUS-JMO-2022-HEI-TCH-RSCH

(Jean Monnet Actions in the field of Higher Education Teaching and Research)

**Topic: ERASMUS-JMO-2022-MODULE** 

Type of Action: ERASMUS-LS (ERASMUS Lump Sum Grants)

Proposal number: 101085653

**Proposal acronym: WB-EUPath** 

**Type of Model Grant Agreement: ERASMUS Lump Sum Grant** 

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### **Europa / Funding & Tenders Portal notification**

Dear Madam/Sir.

Congratulations. Your proposal has reached the stage of Grant Agreement preparation.

To view the evaluation results and the instructions on how to provide additional information and data required for the preparation of your Grant Agreement, log on to the Funding & Tenders Portal > My Project(s) (<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/myarea/projects">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/myarea/projects</a>) and click on Action > Manage Project.

Regards,

**Grant Management Services** 

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#### Priority:High

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SP/ Goal 1./Objective 1.3./Measure 1.3.1.: Make at least one application to Jean Monnet Projects (EU region) Measure









## OPEN LECTURES

### Research Area: "EU Enlargement and Integration"

- 1. "Perspectives on Negotiations with the EU", guest speaker Ambassador Zef Mazi, Chief Negotiator for the accession of the Republic of Albania to the EU. (February 10, 2022)
- 2. Open Forum "European Union and the directives on protection from discrimination", guest speaker Mr. Robert Gajda, Commissioner at Commissioner for Protection from Discrimination. (May 5, 2022)
- 3. "The role, agenda and challenges of the Council of Europe Office in Albania" with Ms. Jutta GÜTZKOW, Head of the CoE Office in Tirana (June 2, 2022)
- 4. Open lecture: "EU Integration Journey of Albania: Achievements and Challenges", with special guest: Mr. Besnik Mustafaj (June 14, 2022)

- SP/Goal 2/Objective 2.1./Measure 2.2.1.: Increase the number of EU open lectures to students at all levels.
- SP/ Goal 3 /Objective 3.1 /Measure 3.1.1. Organize at least one activity per year in

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS/RESEARCHERS

**Unpaid Internship** 

### **Call for Applications**

Center for European Studies Internship Programme 2021

Center for European Studies (CES) Internship offers highly motivated and successful individuals an opportunity to improve their research skills while working in a diverse and dynamic environment. Center for European Studies (CES), founded on EPOKA University's regional-renowned teaching reputation and research excellence, is a multi- disciplinary research unit having as its main scope the improvement of the understanding of global and regional issues. CES seeks to encourage projects and research across disciplines that aim to explore the diversity of the societies and cultures that constitute Europe. It provides a forum to share research and initiate new projects in a wide variety of areas concerning European Studies and in relation to the European Union.

CES is currently focused on conducting research on: EU Enlargement and Integration; EU and Democracy Assistance; EU-Western Balkans Relations; Regional Cooperation and Regional Security; Peace and Conflict in Western Balkans.

CES is undertaking many activities and events as published in the official website; www.ces.epoka.edu.al.

#### Selection Criteria

To be eligible for an Internship, candidates must be enrolled or graduated in a full-time graduate study program. Fluency in English is required. Relevant work experience, computing skills, as well as knowledge of languages such as French and German are advantageous.

#### Details

This Internship typically seeks candidates in the following fields: political science, international relations, economics, finance, management, law or other related fields.

CES does not offer an hourly salary to Interns. The Intern receives a Certificate of Success for Completing the Internship as well as a document explaining in detail all activities that the Intern has been directly involved.

Internship period options: one month full-time or three months part-time.

#### Application Checklist

Please attach the following documents:

- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- · Letter of Motivation (one- two paragraphs)
- · Proof of Enrollment or Graduation from a graduate program

Application period: November 1-20, 2021

Submission: All applications must be sent by email to ces@epoka.edu.al

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