



Call for papers: “All change in Germany?”

45th Annual conference of the International Association for the Study of German Politics

German House, Belgrave Square, London

Tuesday 28th May / Wednesday 29th May 2019

It continues to be a fascinating time to study German politics. Chancellor Merkel has announced she will stand down by the end of September 2021 at the latest, and by December 2018 the CDU will have a new leader. The German party system appears profoundly to be changing, with the AfD now being represented in every Landtag and also in the Bundestag, and the Greens often polling ahead of the SPD. The once-powerful alliance between France and Germany in leadership of the European Union appears to be faltering, with disagreements on the correct response to perceived “disintegration”. And Germany’s relationship with the USA, an important feature of the post-war world order, is clearly under pressure in the context of the Trump presidency and an “America First” doctrine.

In the light of those events the 45th annual conference of the International Association for the Study of German Politics seeks to understand whether it really is “All change in Germany”. Papers addressing any aspect of German politics and international relations will be welcome (as would papers on the politics of other German-speaking countries). You should be prepared to circulate a written version of the paper at least two weeks before the conference. The Association especially encourages women, and young scholars from around the world to submit their papers.

The conference will feature our annual German Politics Lecture, and an informal reception and conference dinner. Taking part in the conference is a great opportunity to meet people working on German politics from a range of countries, career stages, and disciplinary approaches. Also, editors and reviewers of our peer-reviewed journal *German Politics* will be present.

As in previous years, the IASGP will keep the conference fee, including conference dinner and other refreshments, low. Travel bursaries will be provided to postgraduate students

and others who would face a financial barrier to participation, to enable them to give papers. Furthermore, financial provision will be made available to those who need to organise childcare in London to facilitate attendance at the conference. Details of rates are as below.

Abstracts of not more than 500 words should be sent by 1st February 2019 to intasgp@gmail.com. Registration for the conference will open in March 2019.

Further details:

Timetable:

1st February 2019: Deadline for submission of abstracts
1st March 2019: Programme published / registration opens
15th April 2019: Registration deadline
14th May 2019: Deadline for paper circulation
28th / 29th May 2019: Conference

Conference fees (including lunch on both days, refreshments and conference dinner):

Normal rate: £50

Rate for doctoral students and those who would face a financial barrier to participation: £10
In addition, attendees should be members of the IASGP (£31 standard, £8 student per year).

Travel / accommodation bursaries to those presenting papers who are doctoral students or who would face a financial barrier to participation:

UK outside London: £150

Europe outside UK: £250

Outside Europe: £500

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