



A New Social Contract?



Reshaping State and Society



Call for Applications 2014

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Numerous countries in Eastern Europe, North Africa and the Middle East as well as Central Asia are experiencing increasing social conflicts and economic problems. In recent years mass protests have challenged many non-democratic regimes and revealed their inability to fulfil the promise of stability. Tensions between democratization efforts and the persistence of authoritarianism generally polarize societies, deepen the economic crisis and frequently result in on-going violence accompanied by important flows of refugees and migrants.

The scholarship programme "Trajectories of Change" addresses historical and current transformation processes in the European neighbourhood. It offers stipends and field work grants for Ph.D. students in the humanities and social sciences, and supports both empirical research and projects centred on theoretical reflection. For 2014, applications dealing with the changing relations between states and societies are especially welcome. Innovative research questions and comparative approaches are highly encouraged.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

20 OCTOBER 2014 for a scholarship or grant starting in February 2015

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Both the on-going fragmentation in Syria and the progressing territorial disintegration of Ukraine demonstrate currently the radical character of changes in the European neighbourhood. Numerous states are dramatically challenged in their function as administrative, political and territorial entities. They are subject to violent transformations and their viability is being increasingly questioned. Which role do states play in transformation periods and in revolutionary situations? Are they still the key analytical category for analyzing the political change?

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DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

26 FEBRUARY 2015 for a scholarship or grant starting in September 2015

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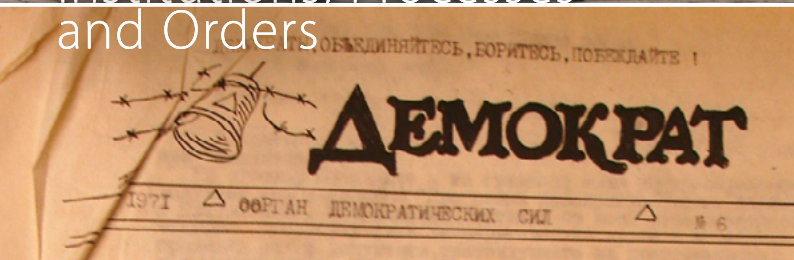




Contestation Past and Present:



Institutions, Processes
and Orders



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Political and social change begins with contestation. Popular revolts, mass protests, challenges by intellectuals and social elites as well as other forms of mobilization dispute institutions. They have a broader impact on the existing political, social and economic orders. How do past and present contestation processes in the European neighbourhood evolve through time? Where do they historically root in? Who do support them? Which dynamics and patterns do they follow? What are their political, social and economic outcomes?

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DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

12 MAY 2016 for a scholarship or grant starting in September/October 2016

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Reshaping



the Public Sphere



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Both democratization attempts and authoritarian developments in the European neighbourhood demonstrate the critical role of the public sphere for political and social change. Expanding communication technologies help to mobilize the public and enable new forms of exchange. These additional capacities to articulate interests and concerns can be harnessed to increase political pressure. Many regimes react with repression and censorship in order to regain power over the newly forged public spaces. How does the public sphere change in times of transformation and conflict? Which divisions and relationships of force are constitutive for this social field? How do public spheres vary cross-nationally? The scholarship programme "Trajectories of Change" addresses historical and current transformation processes in the European neighbourhood. It offers stipends and fieldwork grants for Ph.D. students in the humanities and social sciences. For 2017, research applications dealing with the changing public spheres and their impact on transformation are especially welcome.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

27 JULY 2017 for a scholarship or grant starting in November / December 2017

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Transnational and



Regional Dynamics



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Europe's neighbourhood has experienced armed conflict, political transition and authoritarian restoration along with profound social and economic change. These transformation processes with deep historical roots have usually resulted from an interplay of domestic and transnational actors and factors. In order to reveal their complexity, a view through a transnational and regional lens can be rewarding: Which interdependencies – past and present – are constitutive for the neighbouring regions of the European Union? How can we study transnational influences and effects on change in Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the MENA region? How to distinguish and take into account factors of change across national borders and social boundaries? To which extent do these factors shape political, social and economic realities?

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DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

31 JULY 2018 for a scholarship or grant starting in late 2018 or early 2019

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