



9th European Workshops in International Studies

“The Interconnected Worlds of the Past and the Present: Co-constituting the International”

6-9 July 2022

WS P Patron-Client Relations in World Politics

University of Macedonia - Egnatia 156, Thessaloniki, Greece

Wednesday, July 6

09:00	Registration Opens
15:00 – 15:15	Welcome from EISA and the University of Macedonia (Main Auditorium)
15:15 – 16:45	EWIS Plenary Roundtable I: War in Ukraine and the International Relations Discipline: Is There Anything New Under the Sun? (Main Auditorium)
16:45 – 17:15	Coffee Break
17:15 – 18:45	EWIS Plenary Roundtable II: The Interconnected Worlds of the Past and the Present: Co-Constituting the International (Main Auditorium)
18:00 – 20:00	EWIS Welcome Reception (Guard Officers' Club of Thessaloniki, 1 Ethnikis Aminis st.)

Thursday, July 7

09:00 – 09:45	Welcome & Rules (<i>Palani</i>) and Introduction to PCRs in IR (<i>Biermann</i>)
09:45 – 10:00	Coffee Break
10:00 – 12:00	Panel I: Identifying PCRs in World Politics (<i>moderator: Marcus Caspar</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Christopher Brucker - Non-State Support for Secessionist Rebel Groups: The Case of Bougainville● Natalia Piskunova - De-facto states under civil war conditions: assessing sovereignty issues and perspectives of territorial entities in former Somalia
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch Break
14:00 – 16:00	Panel II: Resource Exchange and Motives for Forming and Terminating PCRs (<i>moderator: Christopher Brucker</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Ivan Laškarin - Understanding Dynamics of Secessionist Patron-Client Relations● Martin Welz - Omnibalancing and international interventions: How Chad's president Déby benefitted from troop deployment● Kamaran Palani - Fluid and Conditional Patron-Client Relationships: The Case of Turkey and Iraqi Kurdistan
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break
16:30 – 18:30	Brainstorming Session I (<i>facilitated by Rafael Biermann</i>) <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. What are the PCRs actors and parties in world politics? How can we identify patrons and clients?2. What are the motives for forming, upholding, and terminating PCRs?3. What are the types of resources exchanged as well as the intensity and duration of exchange?
20:00 –	Dinner - Mpakal by Elia Lemoni , Kapodistriou 9, Thessaloniki

Friday, July 8

09:00 – 10:30	Panel III: Refining the PCR Concept (<i>Moderator: Geza Tasner</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Marcus Caspar - Towards a concept of Middle Power Patron-Client Relations: The Case of Australia and the Solomon Islands● Stefan Wolff (online) - Patronal Competition between Russia and EU/NATO in Ukraine and Georgia
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:30	Panel IV: Asymmetry and the Autonomy-Control Dilemma (<i>Moderator: Kamaran Palani</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Rikkert Horemanns - The Shifting Discursive Foundation of the Iran-Hezbollah Patron-Client Relationship● Ad van Riet - Multilateral Currency Unions in Africa and the Caribbean: Challenges of Monetary Subordination to an Outside Hegemon
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:30	Panel V: Impact of PCRs (<i>Moderator: Ivan Laškarin</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Philipp Pascal Salomon - The Senkaku Islands: Patron-Client Dynamics in a Territorial Conflict● Lea Zuliani - Enhancing Myanmar's Autonomy: The US-China Rivalry and its Impact on the Sino-Burmese Patron-Client Relationship
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break
16:00 – 17:30	Brainstorming Session II (<i>facilitated by Kamaran Palani</i>) <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. How do we conceptualize the PCRs in world politics? What will be its properties and components?2. What impact patron support has on power and conflict dynamics?3. How would you conceptualize asymmetry between patrons and clients in different types of PCRs?
17:30 – 18:00	Wrap-Up and Way Forward (<i>Palani & Biermann</i>)
20:00 –	Dinner - Ouzo ston pinaka (Mpalanou 27, Thessaloniki)

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Panels: 15 min presentation + 30 min discussion per person

Brainstorming sessions: Participants will be convened into three different groups. Each group will be asked to answer one of the questions above, with each group expected to assign a "group representative" who will present the group's findings. Each group will have thirty minutes for group discussion, five minutes for presentation, and seventy-five minutes for further discussion of results.