Call for participants Corfu Summer School in Mediterranean Security



The Ionian University and the University of Buckingham will be organising a summer school in Mediterranean security, from July 3rd to 7th 2019. Three days (July 4, 5 and 6) of lectures and discussions with a multinational team of experts will provide a unique opportunity to become familiar with the crucial security developments across the Mediterranean basin, including terrorism and radicalization, hybrid warfare, the emergence of China in the region, the re-emergence of Russia and the on-going challenge of irregular migration flows.

Overview of the Summer School in Mediterranean Security

Participants: The program is open to university students (both graduate and undergraduate) as well as young professionals engaged in the field

Location: Corfu Town, Corfu Island, Greece

When: 3 July – 7 July 2019 (Lectures to be held July 4 to July 6 inclusive)

Application Deadline: 14 June 2019

Entry requirements: Applicants should normally be registered on a university course (undergraduate/ postgraduate) or be young professionals in the field

Application and Practical Information

Application Process: The number of available places is limited and applications are considered in priority order, according to the date of submission. Once the application is received, the organisers will contact the applicant with the result of the application and further instructions. Individuals interested in applying for the Summer School in Mediterranean security should fill in the online application form <u>HERE</u>

Tuition fees and accommodation: Thanks to the support of Santander Universities, only a small fee of **100 EUR** is charged to participants who wish to attend the summer school.

For an extra 100 EUR (<u>200 EUR total</u>), accommodation can be arranged in a double occupancy room at the premises of the Ionian University. Rooms are available on a first-come, first served basis so please indicate your interest in the application form. Participants are responsible for their travel arrangements to/from Corfu.

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Learning Goals of the Summer School in Mediterranean Security

Recent developments across the Mediterranean have been severely affecting regional countries at the political, economic and social levels, oftentimes with global reverberations, as we recently witnessed with the irregular migration crisis. Ongoing regional conflicts such as the Syrian conflagration, Israeli-Palestinian tensions and border disputes are now complemented by asymmetrical threats such as radicalization and the rise of the extreme right. A growing degree of instability, therefore, raises the necessity for a more systematic appraisal of the nature and potential solutions to the multitude of security challenges faced across the Mediterranean basin. Our aim is to bring together experts and students in an effort to reflect on the multifaceted challenges faced by governments and societies across the Mediterranean and their multi-dimensional effects.

Main Themes to be explored

- The current landscape in the Mediterranean as a geopolitically contested region
- Hybrid threats and fake news: Is there a Mediterranean dimension?
- Radicalisation and extremism in Southern Europe and the Mediterranean
- The Mediterranean as a meeting point or frontline for civilisations and cultures: patterns of conflict and cooperation
- Terrorism in Europe: Is the Mediterranean a transit passage or target?
- The European South: Mediterraneans or Europeans?
- Asymmetrical threats in the Mediterranean: transnational crime and its evolution
- Religion, identity and conflict in the Mediterranean
- The Mediterranean migration crisis
- Corruption, governance and security in the Mediterranean
- The rise of nationalism and the far-right in the Mediterranean
- Energy security and geo-economics in the Mediterranean

Additional information on the program and instructors can be found HERE

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