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ACES Research Seed Grants & Working Paper Grants

The American Consortium on European Union Studies (ACES)/EU Center in Washington D.C./EU Center of Excellence is a consortium of five universities officially designated as the EU Center OF Excellence in the U.S. and an EU Center in the United States by the European Commission, Brussels. ACES members consist of American University, Georgetown University, George Mason University, The George Washington University, and The Johns Hopkins University. The ACES Research Seed grants and Working Paper grants are made possible with the support of the European Commission, Brussels and other funds raised by ACES.

Who Is Eligible: All ACES faculty and qualified researchers from other D.C. academic institutions, the private sector, and international and multinational organizations are eligible. Applicants are encouraged to submit collaborative and/or multidisciplinary proposals.

Eligible Research Topics: Theory-and policy-oriented research with an emphasis on the European Union, its member states, US-EU transatlantic relations and other contemporary EU-related issues. The ACES multidisciplinary focus encourages analysis and policy dialogue of these topics in a variety of fields, including political science, economics, business, finance, law, science and technology, public health and others. Topics include but are not limited to:

- Economic and Monetary Union and the Euro;
- Enlargement;
- Integration and Harmonization;
- Foreign and Security Policy;
- US-EU Relations;
- Trade and Investment; and
- Human Rights Law

Funding: THERE ARE 2 CATEGORY OF AWARDS (authors may apply to both categories but are limited to only one entry per category i.e. a total of 2 entries total).

RESEARCH SEED GRANT: Awards will be given to the author(s) of each research seed grant proposal selected. Proposals may be no longer than 2 pages. The number of awards will depend on the availability of funding in any given year. For AY2007-08, an award of up to U.S. dollars \$1,500 will be given for the selected research seed grant proposal.

Proposal Requirements:

1. all proposals **MUST** be electronically submitted by **December 7, 2007.**
2. Cover page with title, contact information, affiliation of author(s), and date of submission.
3. A 2-page Proposal containing the research idea/objective and summary of methodology
(The body of the text should not include author(s)' name or affiliation)
4. Author(s) C.V. (resume).

WORKING PAPER GRANT: Awards will be given to the author(s) of each working paper selected. Papers can be in draft format/stage but must be approximately two-thirds completed. The number of awards will depend on the availability of funding in any given year. For AY2007-08, an award of US dollars \$500/- will be given for the selected working paper.

Proposal Requirements:

5. all proposals **MUST** be electronically submitted by **December 7, 2007.**
6. Cover page with title, contact information, affiliation of author(s), and date of submission.
7. Completed Working Paper (in final draft stages) containing the following:
 - Paper Abstract
 - Summary of methodology(The body of the text should not include author(s)' name or affiliation)
8. Author(s) C.V. (resume).

Research Seed Grants and Working Paper Series Review And Selection Procedures:

- This is the first of the three submission deadlines for this AY2007-08. The 3 deadlines are as follows: **December 7, 2007, February 29, 2008, and May 2, 2008.** Please note that the number of awards for any given award period will depend on the availability of funding for any given year and the number awards granted as the year progresses.
- Please submit proposals to The George Washington University EU Research Center Director Professor Scheherazade Rehman at rehman@gwu.edu.
- Notification of this round of award selections will be approximately within 2 weeks of submission deadline of December 7, 2007.
- All qualified Research Seed Grant Proposals and Working Papers will be evaluated through a "blind review" process. The proposals will be reviewed jointly by a ACES Proposal Review and Selection Committee. The author(s) of the selected Research Seed Grant Proposals and Working Papers will receive a letter stating the terms and conditions of the award.

Dissemination: The submitted final research papers and working papers will be made available to ACES and its participating University communities and the general public through the Internet and/or in the form of printed copies under the name of ACES and its participating universities. Authors are encouraged and may submit their research to other publications.