

Call for papers

**1st regional research and networking conference:
Exploring the Rhein-Neckar Connection in Political Science**



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We are happy to invite you to the first regional research and networking conference in the “Rhein-Neckar-triangle”, the Universities of Heidelberg, Mannheim and Speyer. The aim of the one-day conference is to gather researchers from these three universities working in Political Science and related (sub-)fields. We would like to get to know each other’s work, facilitate networking and the exchange of ideas within an informal atmosphere. The conference seeks to provide a platform for exploring synergies and the potential for collaboration. Thereby it contributes to strengthening the ties between the three universities, and the Rhein-Neckar region as a location for cutting-edge political research more generally. The conference ends with a common dinner in the beautiful historical city center of Heidelberg.

Date: Friday 27.1.2017, 9.30am-5.30pm, social program in the evening

Place: [Marsilius Kolleg](#), Im Neuenheimer Feld 130, 69120 Heidelberg

Language: English

Submission: Until 30.10.2016 via e-mail – including paper title and abstract (ca. 150-250 words), contact details and affiliation, and indication of preferred panel(s) – to eva.thomann@ipw.uni-heidelberg.de. If you would like to present a paper but feel it does not fit into any of the panels, please indicate “open panel”. Paper acceptance is confirmed until 30.10.2016.

Schedule (provisional):

9.30 – 10am	<i>Coffee and welcome address</i>	
10 – 11am	Panel 1 Wicked problems Chair: Nicole Herweg	Panel 2 Crisis and conflict Chair: Thomas Wencker
11-11.15am	<i>Break</i>	
11.15- 12.15am	Panel 1 Wicked problems Chair: Eva Thomann	Panel 2 Crisis and conflict Chair: Christoph Trinn
12.15-2pm	<i>Lunch at Marsilius Kolleg (sponsored)</i>	
2-3pm	Panel 3 Governance and regulation Chair: Jörn Ege	Panel 4 Parties, democracy and elections Chair: Thomas Däubler
3-3.15pm	<i>Break</i>	
3.15- 4.15pm	Panel 3 Governance and regulation Chair: Stefan Becker	Panel 4 Parties, democracy and elections Chair: Christian Stecker
4.15- 4.45pm	<i>Coffee break</i>	
4.45- 5.30pm	Wrap-up session Exploring synergies in the Rhein-Neckar triangle Chair: Jale Tosun	
6pm-?	<i>Joint dinner in Heidelberg historical town</i>	