

Winter School on Federalism and Governance 2021

"Federalism and Local Self-Government"



Dear applicant,

Thank you for your interest in our Winter School on Federalism and Governance 2021 "Federalism and Local Self-Government". We will only accept **complete applications**, i.e. forms, in which all of the questions have been answered.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, it is difficult at this stage to plan major international events in advance. The organizers hope that the Winter School 2021 can take place physically in Innsbruck and Bolzano taking all necessary safety precautions. However, the organizers reserve the right to make any changes to the programme, e.g. fewer lectures, a smaller group of participants or a digital event. In the confirmation email in early December 2020, selected candidates will be informed about the format of the Winter School 2021 and can decide whether to accept the invitation and enroll in the program. Please note that in case of an in-person-event, we will have to respect all official travel restrictions of the Austrian and Italian governments affecting the period of the Winter School.

Please check:

ITALY: [English](#)

AUSTRIA: [German](#), [English \[not official\]](#)

If the Winter School has to be cancelled entirely, the enrollment fee will be refunded but no other costs such as private travel or accommodation.

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- I. PERSONAL DATA
 1. Surname
 2. Given name(s)
 3. Gender
 4. Date of birth
 5. Place of birth
 6. Citizenship(s)

7. Schengen Visa

The Winter School on Federalism and Governance will take place for one week in Austria (Innsbruck) and one week in Italy (Bolzano/Bozen) [SELECT ONE]

- I need an invitation from Eurac Research to obtain a Schengen visa to enter Austria and Italy
- I do NOT need an invitation from Eurac Research to enter Austria and Italy

8. Address

Please indicate your full current address and your country of residence for the period of October 2020 - February 2021.

9. E-mail address

10. Confirm your e-mail address

11. Telephone Number incl. country code (valid for the period of October 2020 - February 2021)

II. EDUCATION AND WORK EXPERIENCE

12. Current position (work or studies)

Please specify your current work position and/or the study programme you are currently enrolled in. Please indicate also the place and country where you are working or studying.

13. Previous work experience

Please indicate your work experience, especially if relevant to the topics at the Winter School.

14. Education

Please indicate: degree(s), subject, name of institution/university, country, and year of graduation.

15. Additional Studies

e.g. internships, courses/seminar, publications, dissertations, dissertation, ... especially if relevant to the topics at the Winter School

16. Proficiency in English

Please describe your level of English (e.g. your CEFR level; university degree in English; TOEFL/IELTS results, study abroad, etc.)

17. Professional reference

Please provide a name, email address and telephone number of a person (faculty member, job supervisor, etc.) who could be contacted to attest to your abilities, qualifications and academic/professional performance.

III. FURTHER APPLICATION DETAILS

18. Motivation to apply

Please describe your reasons for applying to the Winter School on Federalism and Governance 2021 (max. 1600 characters)

19. Scholarship

A limited number of scholarships will be awarded based on need and qualification.

Please indicate whether you are applying for a scholarship.

- I am NOT applying for a scholarship
- I am applying for a partial scholarship (covers 13-nights accommodation incl. breakfast)
- I am applying for a full scholarship (covers 13-nights accommodation incl. breakfast and a partial reimbursement of travel expenses)

20. [If you are applying for a scholarship] Please write a short statement, explaining why we should award you one of the scholarships.

21. Would you be able to attend the Winter School without Scholarship funding [SELECT ONE]

- Yes
- No

22. Workshop

Please choose the workshop that you would like to participate in from the list below. [CHOOSE ONE WORKSHOP]

- A: Local Finance
- B: Local Participation
- C: Metropolitan Governance
- D: Spatial Planning

Please write an essay of no more than 500 words (3.500 characters) answering ONE of the two questions related to the workshop that you have chosen.

A: Local Finance

1. Local finance is a pivotal – although often neglected - area of interest in all federal systems. What type of arrangements have countries adopted to distribute powers and responsibilities in this field? Please use examples.
2. What general trends can be observed as to local finance making reference to best (and worst) practices, case-law or political agreements? Please use examples.

B: Local Participation

1. How would you define participatory and deliberative democracy based on your knowledge and your experience? What do you understand under the term “democratic innovations”? Please use examples you are familiar with.
2. How and to what extent do democratic innovations affect decision-making processes in local

entities/municipalities? Please analyze this question based on one or more case studies of your choice.

C: Metropolitan Governance

1. How are metropolitan areas governed? Do they rely on inter-municipal cooperation between the municipalities within the metropolitan area or are there over-arching metropolitan governance structures with own responsibilities, institutions and finances? Please present one case or, preferably, more cases from a comparative perspective.

2. How do metropolitan areas cooperate with their surroundings? What are the instruments of cooperation with local governments in neighboring suburban and rural areas? Please present one case or, preferably, more cases from a comparative perspective.

D: Spatial Planning

1. Describe and critique the decision-making process for spatial planning questions in your country, indicating the role played by structure plans and policy documentation.

2. What in your view should be the role of public participation in the making of decisions concerning development control? Indicate who exactly should be included within the scope of 'public participation'.

23. Please insert an essay of no more than 500 words (3.500 characters) answering ONE of the two questions related to the workshop you chose above.

Please note that without the essay your application will not be taken into consideration. While no specific reference style is required, citations and ideas taken from other works need to be recognizable as such.

24. If, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Winter School's Scientific Board decides to move the Winter School online, would you still want to participate? [select one]

- Yes
- No

25. Additional remarks

26. How did you find out about the Winter School on Federalism and Governance?

IV. DATA PRIVACY STATEMENT AND DECLARATION

27. Data Privacy [SELECT]

I DECLARE that I have read and understood the information about personal data handling pursuant to EU Regulation 679/2016 and national legislation here below ("Data Privacy Statements") and give my CONSENT to the processing of my personal data for the application to the Winter School on Federalism and Governance 2021.

Data Privacy Statement

All personal data is dealt with in compliance with EU Regulation No. 2016/679 (GDPR) for the purposes of a) the application for the Winter School on Federalism and Governance 2021, and b) the receiving of newsletter and mails informing the recipient on the activities of the Institute for Comparative Federalism (i.e. calls, invitations, publications).

The legal basis for the processing of your personal data is your consent to the processing of your personal data. Personal data will be stored for a) 24 months after the application deadline and b) as long as the newsletter service is available or you remain subscribed to it and, in any case, the time required to comply with the Applicable Law (art. 2649-2647 c.c.). When this period has been reached, the data shall be deleted or made anonymous. The provision of personal data is voluntary, but refusal could interfere with the correct performance of the purposes, thus rendering the application for the Winter School on Federalism and Governance 2021 and the receiving of the newsletter impossible.

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28. Newsletter [CHOOSE]

I DECLARE that I want to receive newsletter and e-mails for information about the activities of the Institute for Comparative Federalism (e.g. calls, invitations, publications)

29. Declaration [SELECT]

I hereby CONFIRM that all information stated in this application is correct. If I decide to revoke my application, I will inform the Institute for Comparative Federalism immediately.

Thank you for applying to the Winter School on Federalism and Governance 2021.

We will check your application and send a confirmation of receipt **within five working days**.

Successful applicants will be notified in early December 2020.

Please note that the enrolment procedure (including payment of the tuition fee) has to be completed within 7 days after notification.

The Eurac Research Institute for Comparative Federalism and the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences of the University of Innsbruck.