



REGIONALISATION AND THE TAMING OF GLOBALISATION? ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, SECURITY, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

**Scarman House, University of Warwick, UK
26-28 October 2005**

CALL FOR PAPERS

The University of Warwick's ESRC Centre for the Study of Globalisation and Regionalisation (CSGR) (UK), in conjunction with the Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) (Canada) and UNU-Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU CRIS) (Belgium) will host a major international conference on the theme of 'Regionalisation and the Taming of Globalisation?'.

As globalisation proceeds apace, so does the emergence of demands for innovative forms of governance to ameliorate its impact. The objective of this conference is to examine the role of regionalisation/regionalism as a mediating level and strategy for the governance of globalisation.

The conference seeks to address the theme of regionalisation and the governance of globalisation in a number of *functional issue areas*; across a *range of regions* (Africa, Europe, Latin America, North America, Middle East, Central Asia, South Asia, East Asia, Asia-Pacific); and encompassing a *variety of actors* (supra-state, state, sub-state, non-state, civil society). The conference aims to be a *multidisciplinary* exercise, and welcomes contributions from Economics, International Relations, International Political Economy, Political Science, Sociology, International Law, Geography, Business Studies, History and other related disciplines.

Four principal areas of focus have been identified for conference panels and papers:

- **Conceptualising the interrelationship between regionalisation and globalisation**
Defining and theorising regions, regionalism and regionalisation; regional size, density and boundaries; regional identities; regional border porosity and shifting localities; processes of regional building from bottom up and top down; macro-, sub-, and micro-regionalism; intra-state regionalisation; trans-border and non-geographic regions; the role of large and small states in region-building; regional leadership; civil society and regionalisation; gender and regionalisation; technology, communications and regionalisation.

- **Regionalisation and global governance (1): economic, political, social, environmental and legal issues**

WTO and regional trading arrangements; bilateral and multilateral regional trading arrangements; international financial institutions and regional financial cooperation; regional tax arrangements; regionalisation and global business and manufacturing; regions and labour migration; regionalisation and the global environment; regions and energy cooperation; regionalisation and aid; regionalisation and global legal standards; regionalisation, democratisation and human rights.

- **Regionalisation and global governance (2): traditional and non-traditional security**

Regionalisation and responses to armed conflict and non-proliferation of WMD; regionalisation and state-building; regional organisations and peacekeeping; new forms of regional security cooperation and dialogue; private security companies and regional security; regions and human security; regional cooperation and responses to transnational crime, terrorism, infectious diseases, HIV/AIDS; regional responses to natural disasters.

- **Regionalisation, multilateral institutions, and the shaping of the global polity**

Regions and UN system reform; the G-8; the G-20; the G-24 and other groupings; the Commonwealth; La Francophonie; the role of new regional groupings in shaping the course of globalisation; the role of regional civil society organisations.

The conference organisers do not regard this list of themes as mutually exclusive nor as exhaustive. We welcome papers and panels that involve these themes across a range of regions, actors and disciplines, and proposals for other themes that are related to regionalisation and the governance of globalisation.

PAPER AND PANEL SUBMISSION DETAILS

Deadline for submission of abstracts 30 June 2005

Notification of acceptance of abstracts 30 July 2005

If possible, we would like to have full papers submitted by 30 September 2005 for password posting and accessing on the CSGR web site

Please note the following guidelines in submitting proposals and papers:

- Abstracts should be approximately 300 words
- Abstracts should include author's name, affiliation and full contact details (email, telephone, fax, and postal address)
- Abstracts should be submitted electronically (in a Word format) to the CSGR and Denise Hewlett:

denise.hewlett@warwick.ac.uk

- Any informal enquiries to the organisers regarding papers, panels and conference organisation should also be sent to Denise Hewlett and will be passed on to the organisers
- If submitting a panel proposal, please submit all the paper abstracts together
- Conference support funds may be available for some paper presenters. Indicate in your proposal whether you wish to be considered for such support.
- Some papers may be invited to form part of a publication on regionalisation and global governance.

CSGR, CIGI, UNU-CRIS INFORMATION

For further information on the organising institutions:

CSGR: www.csgr.org

CIGI: www.cigionline.ca

UNU-CRIS: www.cris.unu.edu

Organising Committee :

CSGR: Dr Chris Hughes and Dr Michela Redoano

CIGI: Professor Andrew Cooper and Caroline Khoubessarian

UNU-CRIS: Dr. Philippe De Lombaerde

For further information on the venue:

<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/conferences/scarman/>

Conference Fees:

Registration fees and conference costs are available upon application.