Virtual General Conference Highlights
24 – 28 August 2020
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<th>Participation</th>
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<td>2,210 participants</td>
<td>3 Networking sessions</td>
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<td>79% ECPR Members</td>
<td>2 Futures Lab sessions</td>
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<td>21% Non Members</td>
<td>4 Roundtables</td>
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<td>777 students</td>
<td>50th Anniversary film premiere</td>
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- **72** Sections
- **70%** Standing Groups endorsed Sections
- **1,800** Papers
- **4** Roundtables
- **70%** Futures Lab sessions
- **50th** Anniversary grants awarded
- **21** 50th Anniversary Fund grants awarded
- **160** Standing Group endorsed Section grants awarded
- **443** Panels
- **2,210** participants
Reach

542 live Zoom meetings

20K items added to MyItinerary

25K homepage visits

73 countries tuned in

3.3K Tweets

15.6M Twitter impressions
Over five days of the Virtual General Conference, we:
What a beautiful experience! This event had a healing effect on the political science community in the post-COVID-19.

Kept spirits up

After months of isolation due to COVID-19, the conference was a ray of light – exciting new research, seeing and interacting with colleagues is a reminder, we are not alone in this fractured world.

The ECPR Virtual General Conference was a delight to attend.

The best 'new normal' experience so far!
In these difficult times, the conference succeeded in supporting research exchange and discussion. This is already a remarkable achievement. The lower fees also opened the door for scholars who might not have able to attend otherwise.

Sparked conversations

Well done! A very good job at creating a dynamic conference spirit in spite of the physical distance.

“Exciting, engaging, and welcoming. We had terrific discussions in the various panels. I'll definitely be back next year, whether virtually or physically.”
Admittedly, I was curious to see how a huge conference could be done virtually, but I am blown away by a rich and insightful week.

"The abundance of panels and topics and the ability to attend them with such ease left me overwhelmed – in a positive way!"

"The ECPR Conference set the bar very high. Very smooth organisation, well done!"

"Big thanks for our inspiring week!"
I didn't realise just how much I missed the intellectual stimulation of conference attendance and academic endeavour, after these long months of online teaching and admin, until the conference. I am very grateful to the organisers and all the team that made it go so well. Thank you.

Embraced the new reality

A really fruitful and very well organised event, which could be a role model for future online conferences!

Great organisation, great website, super helpful IT support. Big thank you!
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