ISPSA

The Israeli Political Science Association (ISPSA) deals with all research areas relating to the study of politics, including political science, government, public policy, public administration, and international relations.

ISPSA's Goals

- To improve the quality of research and teaching, and professionally develop the discipline.
- To encourage research and discussion about politics in Israel, and promote the field's contribution to the Israeli society and political system.
- To pursue the implementation of professional ethics by researchers and professors in the field.
- To develop the field, including through scientific meetings and conferences, by sending representatives to meetings and scientific conferences, establishing contacts with institutes and scientists abroad, publishing books and journals in the field, online communication activities, translating professional terminology, and raising research funds.
- To promote underrepresented lecturers and researchers in the field, particularly young, women, minorities, and other underrepresented groups.

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http://www.ispsa.org/home-en
Call for Papers
The Annual Conference of the Israeli Political Science Association - 2019

The conference will take place at the Western Galilee College on Thursday 23 May 2019

The final date for submitting proposals for conference sessions and abstracts is 12 December 2018

Proposals should be submitted online at the Association’s website: http://www.ispsa.org/annual-conference

The central theme of the conference is

Political Systems in the Twenty-First Century: Challenges and Responses

The conference will be held this year in the light of the significant changes that political systems are undergoing in the first two decades of the twenty-first century. The twenty-first century is setting challenges to democratic and non-democratic states across the world. The extensive use of social media has made the world a smaller global village than ever. Technological changes in the spheres of medicine, transportation, food, arms, and others are generating challenges to political systems in aspects of central and local governments, and socio-economic aspects, and in terms of the center-periphery divide. Ahead of us is an era of crisis in liberal democracy, struggles between nationalism and neoliberalism, between leaders’ populism and the electorate’s ability to make rational choices. All these evoke concepts such as governance, transparency, accountability, representativeness and active citizenship that allow the conference participants to raise to the surface and shed light on how different states, Israel among them, are coping with those challenges.

The annual conference of the Israel Political Science Association is aimed at honing those issues in terms of models of political systems in Israel and elsewhere, and the way in which those systems handle the dynamically changing reality. In tandem with the conference’s main theme, we invite the research community to submit papers and panels on diverse topics deriving from political science research spheres, international relations, and public administration and policy, and in various contexts – historical, political, societal, international, and others. We will be glad to accept both theoretical papers and empirical analyses.

Submitting abstracts for panels/papers
This invitation is addressed to researchers and lecturers holding a doctoral or master’s degree, doctoral students or graduate students in advanced stages of writing their research thesis. Proposals (in Hebrew or English) for a panel or a separate research presentation should be uploaded to the Organizing Committee on the Association’s website (see below); the committee will schedule them for one of the panels. This year, we are strongly encouraging submission of papers to be presented in English, chiefly for the benefit of English-speakers participating in the conference.

Proposals for a panel should include: an outline of the subject, names of the chairperson, the discussants, and the presenters, together with a 250-word abstract of
each of the participants’ lectures. There can be up to two chairpersons and up to five presenters.

**Proposals for separate papers** should include the title, the name of the submitter, and an abstract not exceeding 250 words.

**Schedule:** deadline for submitting abstracts – 12 December 2018
Replies will be sent by 28 February 2019
All proposals must be submitted online at http://www.ispsa.org/annual-conference-en

**Regulations for participation**
All participants in the conference – chairpersons, discussants, lecturers and audience – must pay a registration fee. Each participant is entitled to present one work only. Presenters may also serve as chairpersons of panels and as discussants.

For details on accommodation options in the area of the conference, please contact Yosi Ganel at ispsa.mail@gmail.com

Looking forward to a successful and productive conference,
Prof. Assaf Meydani, President of the ISPSA
Dr. Osnat Akirav, Chairperson of the Conference

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ISPSA Awards

1. The Prof. Gideon Doron Award - for a book (in Hebrew or English) published in 2018, that made the most significant contribution to research in the field of political science (including politics and governance, public policy, and international relations).
4. The Yitzhak Koren Award – for an outstanding paper in Hebrew published in a peer-reviewed journal in 2018. The winning paper will be translated into English and published in World Political Science (WPS) under the auspices of the ISPSA.
5. An award for a special contribution to the Israel Political Science Association made by a civil servant – in government and public administration.
6. A Lifetime Achievement award.

Details about submitting nominations for awards are given below.
Nominations for all awards must be sent by 8 January 2019.

Please send books in three copies to Yosi Ganel, the Association for Political Research, the IDC, Herzliya 9190501.
Theses, dissertations, and papers in Hebrew / English should be submitted as a single PDF to ispsa.mail@gmail.com
Two references attesting to the originality and innovation of the work should be attached to each dissertation and thesis. One reference should be written by the supervisor, and the second can be written by a second supervisor, if any, or by another faculty member who has read the work.
Please note: submissions regarding doctoral dissertations will only be accepted after the dissertation has been signed by the institution’s confirmation committee.
Further details can be obtained by contacting Yosi Ganel, secretary of the ISPSA, at ispsa.mail@gmail.com
Call for Nominations: Lifetime Achievement Award
At the annual conference of the Israel Political Science Association, an award will be conferred on one of the association’s members for his or her notable contribution in the sphere of political science (including politics and governance, public policy, and international relations): research, writing, teaching, or another field of endeavor. Nominations for candidates should be submitted by 8 January 2019, in the form of a letter presenting grounds for the nomination from the nominator (not from the nominee) together with a detailed CV of the nominee. Further details can be obtained by contacting Yosi Ganel, secretary of the ISPSA, at ispsa.mail@gmail.com

Call for Nominations: Award for a Special Contribution to ISPSA made by a Member of Government or Public Administration
At the annual conference of the Israel Political Science Association, a new award will be conferred - on a civil servant whose work and career in public service has made an outstanding contribution to political science, governance, and public administration, and also to the political science community. This includes mediation between the academy and government by means of remarkable achievements and outstanding leadership. Nominations should be submitted by 8 January 2019, in the form of a letter presenting grounds for the nomination from the nominator referee (not from the nominee) together with a detailed CV of the nominee. Further details can be obtained by contacting Yosi Ganel, secretary of the ISPSA, at ispsa.mail@gmail.com

World Political Science (WPS)
Call for published articles in Hebrew
The World Political Science (WPS) publishes translations of prize-winning articles nominated by prominent national political science associations and journals around the world. Sponsored by the International Political Science Association (IPSA), the premiere global political science organization with membership from national associations in 50 countries, the WPS gathers together and translates an ever-increasing number of countries' best political science articles, bridging the language barriers that have made this cutting-edge research inaccessible up to now. ISPSA - the Israeli Political Science Association - is seeking proposals for an article published during 2018 in Hebrew (in a refereed journal) to be published in World Political Science (WPS). Proposals must be submitted by email to Mr. Yosi Ganel, secretary of the ISPSA, by 8 January 2019 - ispsa.mail@gmail.com Preference will be given to those who have paid their ISPSA 2019 membership fee.