



CIVITAS | Forum of Archives  
and Research on Christian Democracy

## **CIVITAS PhD Seminar and Grant Milan, 26-27 October 2017**

### ***Mission***

Civitas-FARCD (Forum of Archives and Research on Christian Democracy) is an initiative which has been launched by Istituto Luigi Sturzo (Rome), KADOC-KU Leuven, Documentation and Research Centre for Religion, Culture and Society (Leuven) and the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung e. V. (Sankt Augustin). As a research platform for institutes/institutions and archives and for individual archivists and researchers, it focuses on the field of research on and records/collections/sources of Christian Democracy at the national, European and international levels. See <http://www.Civitas-Farcd.eu>.

CIVITAS focuses on the study and archives of Christian Democracy in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, in particular its second half, including the organizational and ideological precedents (second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century – prewar period) of Christian Democracy as well as its actual development.

CIVITAS promotes research on issues in the history of Christian Democracy. It encourages all initiatives (research projects, conferences, workshops, fellowships) in this area and brings together interested researchers and/or their institutes in common projects.

### ***Doctoral Seminars***

One of these initiatives is the organization of doctoral seminars. Junior researchers get the opportunity to present their current research to an international public consisting of other junior researchers and to enter into dialogue with the members

of the Scientific Committee of Civitas<sup>1</sup>, with the intention of exchanging insights and experiences regarding both methodology and content.

The doctoral seminars are organized once a year together with Civitas' annual workshop.<sup>2</sup> The doctoral seminar of this year is scheduled in the morning of 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017. All themes concerning the current research on Christian Democracy in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, in particular its second half, including the organizational and ideological precedents (second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century – prewar period) of Christian Democracy as well as its actual development are welcome to present in ten minutes.

Participants in the doctoral seminar are also welcome to attend the workshop. They will also be kept informed of the activities of Civitas (mailing list, newsletter and announcements). Civitas will contribute to the travel and accommodation expenses of selected junior researchers (of between € 500 to a maximum of € 750 per participant).

### **Call for Papers**

Proposals should be submitted *in English* as PDF documents and should contain the following: a clear title for the proposed paper; a summary (max. 500 words), outlining the paper's goals, methodology and source materials; CV(s) of author(s), with contact information, position and institutional affiliation.

Proposals should be emailed to professor Hanns Jürgen Küsters ([hanns.kuesters@kas.de](mailto:hanns.kuesters@kas.de) chairman of Civitas) and to professor Andrea Maria Locatelli ([andreamaria.locatelli@unicatt.it](mailto:andreamaria.locatelli@unicatt.it)) no later than **1st September 2017**. You will receive a confirmation of receipt of the proposal.

The proposals will be evaluated and selected by the members of the Scientific Board and the Steering Board based on the relevance of the topic, its originality and the degree to which the proposal answers/responds the call. Applicants will be informed of the decision before the **15<sup>th</sup> September 2017**.

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<sup>1</sup> Scientific Board of Civitas 2013-2017: Paolo Acanfora (ILS), Alexander Brakel (KAS), Jan De Maeyer (KADOC KU Leuven), Guido Formigoni (University of Milan), Michael Gehler (Universität Hildesheim), Wolfram Kaiser (University of Portsmouth), Godfried Kwanten (KADOC KU Leuven), Piotr Kosicki (University of Maryland), Hanns Jürgen Küsters (KAS), *Chairman*, Andrea Maria Locatelli (AMR), Renato Moro (Universita Roma Tre), Steven Van Hecke (KU Leuven), Helmut Wohnout (KVVI).

<sup>2</sup> The 2017 workshop will be held in Milan from 26-27 October, with *Christian Democracy and Labour after World War II* as its theme. It is being organized by Archivio Mario Romani of the Catholic University of Milan.