



CALL FOR PAPERS

“Challenges and Dynamics of European Administrative Area”

2026 EU-PAIR International Conference – 5th Edition

18th – 19th of June 2026, Iași, Romania

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EU-PAIR: JEAN MONNET CHAIR, EU PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION INTEGRATION AND RESILIENCE STUDIES

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The 5th edition of the EU-PAIR 2026 International Conference is dedicated to exploring what the European Commission’s unveiling of the 2026 Work Programme, entitled **Europe’s Independence Moment**, that marks a pivotal shift in the European Union’s strategic orientation toward enhanced sovereignty, resilience, and global agency. Confronted with mounting pressures on security and democratic governance, intensifying geopolitical conflicts, economic and industrial vulnerabilities, and the accelerating impacts of climate change, the European Union is redefining the foundations of its political, economic, and technological autonomy. This evolving agenda raises critical questions about how the EU conceptualizes independence, how these ambitions are translated into policy frameworks, and how they reshape Europe’s role within an increasingly fragmented international order. Academics, researchers, practitioners, doctoral candidates, students, and stakeholders are invited to engage in discussions on **June 18th – 19th** at the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, *Alexandru Ioan Cuza* University of Iasi, Romania.

The EU-PAIR Conference 2026 theme is **Europe’s Independence Moment: Governance, Power, and Policy Transformation in a Fragmented Global Economy**

Europe’s Independence Moment captures a defining juncture for the European Union as it confronts profound transformations in the global economy, geopolitical order, and technological landscape. Intensifying strategic competition, disrupted supply chains, climate imperatives, and rapid digitalisation are reshaping how power is exercised and how prosperity is generated. This conference invites scholars and practitioners to examine the governance arrangements, policy instruments, and economic strategies required for Europe to secure autonomy while remaining open, competitive, and committed to democratic values.

Conference Focus: The conference focuses on how the European Union is reconfiguring its governance structures, public policies, and economic strategies in response to growing geopolitical, technological, environmental, and societal pressures. It explores the ways in which power is exercised through institutions, regulation, and markets, and how public authorities, businesses, and civil society jointly shape Europe’s capacity to act in a fragmented global economy.

The interdisciplinarity of the EU administrative science field permits to have **a broader list of subjects** for debating from all areas of research. Participants are encouraged to delve into topics including but not limited to: *EU governance and institutional transformation, security, defence and resilience, economic sovereignty and industrial policy, digital transformation and technological governance, green transition and climate governance, social Europe and skills, external action and global partnerships, business and corporate responsibility, and policy design, implementation and evaluation.*

The following tracks are stated for the conference (but not limited to):

Track 1: European Governance, Institutional Transformation and Integration

Track 2: Business and Management in the Social Europe

Track 3: Legal Frameworks for Rights, Responsibilities, and Sovereignty

Track 4: Digital Economy, Green Transition and Climate Governance

Track 5: Economic Sovereignty and Industrial Policy

Track 6: Accounting and Financial Reporting in EU

Track 7: AI, Big Data, and Machine Learning in Digital Education and Governance

Track 8: Security, Defense, and Geopolitical Resilience



PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITIES

The papers (maximum 2 papers/person) presented during the EU-PAIR 2026 will be double peer-reviewed for originality, clarity, significance, and scientific contributions. The accepted papers will be sent to be included into the Scientific Proceeding of the Conference. **The previous EU-PAIR proceedings were indexed into ProQuest under Clarivate - E-Book Series, CEEOL, Google Scholar databases.**

The length of the paper should be between 6 and 20 pages. The template of the paper will be provided through the conference page.

Partner journals (presented papers could be published in accordance with the journals requirements):

European Journal of Public Administration Research (indexed in IDB) (<http://eu-pair.uaic.ro/ejpar/>)

South-Eastern Europe Journal of Economics (SEEJE) (indexed in IDB)(<https://asecu.gr/seeje/>)

Scientific Annals of Economics and Business (indexed in IDB) (<http://saeb.feaa.uaic.ro/index.php/saeb>)

PRACTICALITIES

The language of the conference is English. The abstract and final paper must be submitted in English.

The conference will be organised as hybrid event, but **we strongly encourage in-person attendance** for presenters.

IMPORTANT DATES

Deadline for **submission of abstracts or full paper** (by email: eupair@uaic.ro): **2nd of June 2026**

Deadline for **notification the abstract/paper acceptance/rejection**: **9th of June 2026**

Deadline for **registration fee** (the payment proof to be sent by email: eupair@uaic.ro): **15th of June 2026**

Conference date: 18th – 19th of June 2026

Deadline for **submission of full paper for publication**: **8^h of September 2026**

REGISTRATION

The standard fee: 75 Euro/participant (375 RON)

For PhD Students: a discounted fee of 50 Euro (250 RON)

PAYMENT DETAILS:

Beneficiary: *Alexandru Ioan Cuza* University of Iasi, Romania

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A scanned copy of the document proofing the payment should be sent by e-mail at eupair@uaic.ro

The information will be available on the EU-PAIR site: <http://eu-pair.uaic.ro>

CONFERENCE VENUE

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