

Workshop call

First Emerging Scholars Workshop on De Facto States, 14 May 2021

*The De Facto States Research Unit, University of Tartu, Estonia, cordially invites applications from **postgraduate students and early career scholars** for its inaugural workshop. The call is open to those **working on de facto states, state recognition, secession, and similar topics** from the fields of political science, international relations, history, economics, and other related disciplines.*

The Covid-19 pandemic has gravely impacted the functioning of academic life. Doctoral students and early career scholars – post-docs and pre-tenured faculty – have been especially hindered by the inability to participate in international conferences and workshops. This has limited their opportunities to present and discuss their ongoing research projects, and to build networks and peer communities.

*The De Facto States Research Unit is initiating the **Emerging Scholars Workshops on De Facto States** as a platform for these groups to introduce their research, receive feedback from peers, and establish a strong global network of emerging scholars researching the above-mentioned topics. We hope to foster the creation of a peer community that will benefit from the exchange of ideas and can support each other during these difficult times and beyond.*

*The workshop will take place as an all-day event on 14 May 2021 (exact schedule will be distributed after the end of the application period). **Interested applicants should fill out the [Google Form](#) by 30 April**. Submissions must include a title of the proposed presentation, a 300-word abstract, and a short personal statement (max 100 words).*

We welcome projects in various stages of development, such as theses, whether in their initial stage or close to completion, book chapters or articles in progress etc. Each participant should prepare a 15-minute presentation.

If you wish to attend without a presentation, please fill in this [Google Form](#) to receive the workshop details before the event.

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