



**THE WORLD COMPLEXITY SCIENCE ACADEMY (WCSA)
PROUDLY PRESENTS
A CALL FOR PAPERS, PANELS, AND PRESENTATIONS FOR THE
9th WCSA WORLDWIDE CONFERENCE
Ischia, Italy
March 23rd - March 25th, 2020**

SECTION ONE (I): PROLOGUE & WCSA PRESIDENTIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

As the current President of the World Complexity Science Academy (WCSA) -- which is a European-based policy modelling think-tank headquartered in Bologna, Italy -- I am delighted to invite you to the “2020 WCSA Call for Papers and Panels” for our 9th WCSA Worldwide Conference in Ischia, Italy. The conference will take place on March the 23rd through 25^h in 2020. The conference is hereby titled:

GEGNET: A Complex System Vision on Global Governance and Policy Modelling

Please feel free to redistribute this information on the Internet to potentially interested parties, whether they come from academic, legislative, financial, or governmental sectors. The event promises to be ground-breaking, academically, but we want to also welcome policymakers and global players representatives among the attendees for what promises to be an extremely robust networking opportunity for the international professional. *However, please note that the official language of the conference is English.*

SECTION TWO (II): THE WCSA CONFERENCE MANIFESTO

Gegnet is a German theoretical concept meaning limitless opening to the possible.

The current global economic context of worldwide business and direct foreign investment is comprised of a decreasing number of huge players named Global Players (GP), such as the European Union (EU), the United States (US), the MERCOSUR, the United African Market, along with Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (BRICS). It radically redesigns also the public policies and their scale about digitalization, intangible asset portfolio creation (e.g. patents, licenses, trademarks, copyrights), taxation, public expenditures, international trade regulations and much more.

The aforementioned Global Players are already interconnected by digital technological convergence, international treaties and legal transplants: (e.g.) CETA, NAFTA, MERCOSUR,



African Union. So, the linkages among Canada, the US, and Mexico under NAFTA; the EU under the CETA, and the South countries in Latin America under the MERCOSUR are shaping a legislative fabric where free trade, technological standardization, and shared human rights policies are converging towards congruence. The emerging key challenge is enormous and evolutionary, particularly for those who are responsible and in power of direct foreign investment flows. For instance, the recent treaty between the EU and Japan is a fine piece of evidence for the argument of international technological and legal convergence. To sum up, the network of treaties wrapping up our planet is shaping a spiral convergent trend, pushing forward the shift from international to supranational lawmaking through the setting up of a transnational agenda for global governance and policy modelling. The internal differentiation of the law system is creating different types of Global Players, more or less improving the complexity and variety inside the law system, which are the keys of evolutionary systems. Law convergence among Global Players is strategic in this changing scenario and the Mediterranean area reveals to be a special hub between Europe and Africa, while Southern EU at large is also a special hub with Central - South America. These hubs are offering variety in a huge catalogue for law shopping from Spain to Malta, from Portugal to Brazil, from Cyprus to the redesigning of the North Africa and - driving further - the emergent East African Federation.

The key evolutionary challenge and paramount goal of the WCSA Conference is to be the host for innovative lawmaking / policy modelling, legislative implementation, institutional redesign, and economic development also by citizenship expansion. We will work on shaping a triple helix of (1) legislative design, (2) free-trade alignment, and (3) digital standardization.

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SECTION SIX (VI): HOW TO SUBMIT A PANEL/PAPER PROPOSAL

Should you wish to submit a PANEL PROPOSAL as a panel proponent (PP) and to be the chair”, the proposed panel please do not hesitate to contact me by sending a simple email or Microsoft WORD Document including the following information:

1. Panel Proponent FIRST NAME
2. Panel Proponent LAST NAME
3. Panel Proponent INSTITUTIONAL/ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATION

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4. OFFICIAL PANEL TITLE

5. A maximum 1000 WORD abstract of the entire panel core idea
6. Panel Proponent Email address and cell phone number / WhatsApp contact number
7. A list of the panel speakers -PS- (minimum of 5, maximum of 10)
8. The first and last name of each Panel Speaker
9. Panel Speaker institutional affiliation and presentation/paper title
10. The abstract of each Panel Speaker's presentation – minimum 200 words, maximum 400 words per each submitted abstract
11. Please specify if the PANEL is a General Panel (GP) mostly focused on theory, epistemology, high strategy, methodology, descriptive research or a Workshop Panel (WP) focused on policy modelling, policymaking, applied research, strategic consulting, training, coaching, and mentoring for private sector, investments, governance, urban-metro development and so on.

The submission of the panel proposal is in care of the panel proponent (PP) and s/he can submit it to me by email or by email doc attachment at: wcsaconferences@gmail.com. In the email subject line, please specify: WCSA CONFERENCE SUBMISSION

May you wish to submit a single paper proposal please do not hesitate to contact me by sending me a simple email or Microsoft WORD document, including the following information

1. AUTHOR FIRST NAME
2. AUTHOR LAST NAME
3. AUTHOR INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION
4. PRESENTATION TITLE
5. A maximum 400-WORD presentation abstract
6. An email address and WhatsApp contact number

OFFICIAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE: MAY 6th, 2019

Notifications of acceptance/rejection feedback for the Conference will be electronically communicated by May 20, 2019 via email to the panel proponent (PP). It is the panel proponent's task and responsibility to notify all members of his/her panel, the conclusive results. In order to be included in the "Official Program," the panel proponent must respect the following guidelines and requirements: **BY JUNE 10, 2019** the panel proponent must confirm their presence (and their panel members' presence) at the Conference by registering and paying the WCSA Membership and Conference Fee.

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Nota bene: in order to participate in the Conference as a speaker, it is MANDATORY to hold a paid membership with the WCSA. The WCSA Conference Fee (listed below, according to member's rank/specialization) is totally inclusive of the annual WCSA Membership Fee. Accordingly, the Conference Fees (including WCSA Membership Fee) are hereby established as:

Senior Scholar/Professional Rank (Full Professors/ Associate Professors/ Executives):

260 Euro

Junior Scholar/Professional Rank (Assistant/ Middle Management/ post-doc/ PhD students):

200 Euro

Virtual Presentation by Zoom/Skype videoconference (to be conducted virtually):

160 Euro¹

Attendance at the Convention as an Auditor:

120 Euro

In order to make timely payment, please assure your payment arrives to WCSA **BY JUNE 10, 2019**, using one of the two payment methods:

Wire Transfer to WCSA bank account in Italy

WCSA IBAN CODE: IT37Y0301503200000003497794

FINECO BANK, Salita San Nicola da Tolentino 1/B, Roma

For foreign bank transfer

Receiving Bank (Swift): UNCRITMM

BIC Beneficiary Bank: FEBIITM1

PayPal Transfer

WCSA will send you an e-mail providing the link to proceed with the payment.

Please note that by choosing PayPal, an additional PayPal service fee may be added to the original amount of the conference fee

SECTION SEVEN (VII) THE WCSA CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

This is our 9th Global Conference. The previous eight conferences have generated several noteworthy proceedings:

BOLOGNA: <http://www.aracneeditrice.it/index.php/pubblicazione.html?item=9788854842700>

¹ The presenters must send their own video presentation to the Organizational Committee within 28th February 2020 and they must be WCSA members in good standing and having paid the conference fee BY JUNE 10, 2019 otherwise the presentation will not be considered



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Nota bene: The 8th WCSA ROME Conference held at the Europarliament in November 2018 will have three (3) publication outcomes (all in progress); two academic journal special issues and one book. Approximately one (1) month after the 9th WCSA CONFERENCE takes place, all participants will receive a specific call for full papers and the appropriate editorial guidelines for Authors.

Hoping to see you at our next conference in Ischia, I remain sincerely yours,

Prof. Andrea Pitasi, Ph.D.

WCSA Honorary Life President

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