



CALL FOR PROPOSALS

« Representative Democracies and Forms of Participation »

The [Committee of Young Constitutionalists of the Association for Constitutional Law Studies «Gruppo di Pisa»](#) (CgC) together with a group of young French and Spanish Scholars launched a call of proposals for young scholars (PhD students – post doctoral researchers), whether Italian or foreign, with a scientific expertise in the fields of Public, Constitutional, European, International or Comparative Law. Selected speeches will be presented during the afternoon session of the Fifth Seminar on Comparative Law, focused on the following topic: «*Representative Democracies and Forms of Participation*». The Seminar will take place on **March 20th, 2024** and it will be hosted in presence by the **University of Milan «la Statale»**.

The purpose of the Seminar is to analyse and deepen, also from a comparative perspective, how the participation, which in its many forms plays a central role in the functioning of the form of government and, more generally, of representative democracy, is being transformed. The Seminar's objective is to analyze the issues that are inherent in these developments and their future prospects. The afternoon session will focus on four thematic areas:

- a) «Participation and new technologies»;
- b) «Participation and multilevel governance»;
- c) «Referendum and institutional dynamics»;
- d) «Participation and rights protection».

Selected proposals, aimed at encouraging the comparison between the young scholars, the speakers of the Seminar and the other participants, must not exceed 10 minutes. The working languages will be Italian, English, French or Spanish.

Proposals will have to focus on the themes of the Seminar, **as specified in this annex**. Proposals on Domestic, Supranational or International Law will be considered as long as the Candidate offers consistent comparative perspectives.

Proposals must be submitted in Italian, English, French or Spanish by **February 18th, 2024** by sending an e-mail to:

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The application must include:

a) An abstract (from **10.000** up to a maximum of **18,000 characters**, spaces included, in *.doc, *.docx or *.odt format), which must include the title and the indication of the topic area. The text may be accompanied by footnotes, endnotes, a list of cited works or a bibliography. However, abstracts which already take the form of a structured article intended for immediate publication shall not be accepted;

b) A *curriculum vitae et studiorum*. All personal data not required by the call have to be removed.

The Scientific Committee will select successful proposals, in case a scientific publication will be considered. The editorial criteria and the deadline for papers submission will be communicated after the Seminar by e-mail only to the participants selected for the publication.

For further information (in italian), please go [to this page](#).

Call for proposals are also available in French and Spanish on the same page.