



## **2<sup>nd</sup> Doctoral School in Urban Geopolitics: CITIES AND IDENTITIES ON THE GEOPOLITICAL FAULT-LINE (30/06 - 04/07/2020)**

### **Package of activities including:**

- **Doctoral School on “Cities and Identities on the Geopolitical Fault-Line” (30 June 2020)**
- **Attendance at the [“Cities & Nationalism Symposium 2.0: Comparing Conflict across Geopolitical Fault-lines”](#) (1-2 July 2020)**
- **Participation in field trip to Mariupol (3-4 July 2020)**

### **Call for applications**

The University of Oslo and Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, in collaboration with partners of the Norwegian Research Council-funded UKRGEOPOL research project, and the Kent Interdisciplinary Centre for Spatial Studies are delighted to invite doctoral candidates to the “Cities and Identities on the Geopolitical Fault-Line” Doctoral School to be held 30 June – 4 July 2020 in Dnipro with Mariupol (Ukraine). The event comprises a package of activities as indicated above.

The Doctoral School provides an open and informal atmosphere between young researchers and senior scholars and offers a platform for cross-disciplinary exchange urban identities and urban geopolitics, particularly along the “geopolitical fault-line”. A two-day field trip (3-4 July 2020) is planned to Mariupol, which is, effectively, a front-line city in the ongoing military standoff between Ukraine and Russian (proxy) forces.

The Doctoral School discussions will draw inspiration from the ongoing international research project **Ukrainian geopolitical fault-line cities: urban identities, geopolitics and urban policy**, funded by the Research Council of Norway.

### **Confirmed speakers at the doctoral school (30 June) include:**

Michael Gentile (urban and political geographer, University of Oslo)  
Jonathan Rokem (human and political geographer, University of Kent)  
Camillo Boano (architect and urban planner, University College London)  
Sven Daniel Wolfe (urban and political geographer, University of Lausanne)  
Eugenia Kuznetsova (media expert, Kyiv School of Economics)

**Confirmed speakers at the symposium (1-2 July):**

Jennifer Robinson (UCL)

Christian Schmid (ETH Zurich)

Sara Fregonese (University of Birmingham)

Vlad Mykhnenko (University of Oxford)

James Sidaway (National University of Singapore)

Tatyana Zhurzhenko (University of Vienna)

We are looking for applications from various disciplinary backgrounds (e.g. geography, political science, sociology, anthropology and planning). **10 fully funded places are available for successful applicants from European Association Agreement countries (Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia).** “Fully funded” means accommodation in shared twin rooms, some meals and participation in the field trip to Mariupol. You will unfortunately need to cover your own travel costs to and from Dnipro.

*A few participants from non-EAA countries may obtain funded places on a standby basis, and are therefore encouraged to apply.*

Please note: **Participants will be asked to present a paper on the 30 June.**

Deadline for applications: **1 March 2020.**

To apply, please submit submitting the following materials to [ukrgeopol@gmail.com](mailto:ukrgeopol@gmail.com):

1. Short letter of motivation (max. 200 words)
2. CV (including list of publications, if applicable)
3. Abstract of your current research to be presented and discussed in Dnipro (max. 200 words).

You will receive a notification of acceptance by 15 March 2020.