

COUNCIL OF EUROPE SCHOOLS OF POLITICAL STUDIES (SPS)

Calendar of Major Events 2018

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JANUARY

11 January, Zagreb, Croatia	1st Seminar of the School's Student Programme in Zagreb	SPS Zagreb
11 - 14 January, Cracow, Poland	V4 in Europe - Workshop session « Working with Youth »	SPS Visegrad
13 January, Cracow, Poland	V4 in Europe - Conference « The role of EU & NATO in providing peace and security in Europe »	SPS Visegrad
20 January, Split, Croatia	1st Seminar of the School's Student Programme in Split	SPS Zagreb
22 - 26 January, Oxford, UK	Seminar on "Mass media and society"	SPS SCE
28 January - 4 February, Istanbul	School's Winter 2018 Programme	SPS Istanbul

FEBRUARY

1 - 2 February, Borjoni, Georgia	Seminar on the topic " Culture of Freedom"	SPS Tbilisi
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2 February, Tirana	Thematic seminar No 1: "The functions, role and organisation of political parties in a liberal democratic system."	SPS Tirana
16-18 February, Balea Cascada, Romania	Winter reunion of the "Ovidiu Sincai" European School alumni	SPS Bucharest
23 February, Tirana	Thematic seminar No 2 : "Active citizenship and groups of interest"	SPS Tirana
MARCH		
1 March, Zagreb, Croatia	2nd Seminar of the School's Student Programme in Zagreb	SPS Zagreb
2 - 4 March, Pristina	First National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "The State of Statehood: Political Identity, Governance and Political (Dis)Order"	SPS Pristina
3 March, Split, Croatia	2nd Seminar of the School's Student Programme in Split	SPS Zagreb
9 - 11 March	First National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Electoral systems and campaigns"	SPS Tirana
9 - 11 March, Belgrade	Expert symposiums for doctors from Serbia and Kosovo - Part of project: 'Changing Minds: Trust through Innovation'	SPS Belgrade
10 March, Istanbul	Alumni Meeting Series	SPS Istanbul
12 - 18 March, Helsinki, Finland	Advanced Leadership Programme for alumni	SPS SCE

16 March, Tirana	Thematic seminar No 3: "Anti-corruption strategy in Albania - Corruption and economic growth"	SPS Tirana
16 - 18 March, Biograd na Moru	First National Seminar of the School's Annual Programme	SPS Zagreb
Mid-March, Budva, Montenegro	First National seminar of the School's annual programme	SPS Podgorica
22-25 March, Odorheiu Secuiesc, Romania	First national seminar of the School's annual programme: "Communication in the Public Space"	SPS Bucharest
March, Novi Sad, Serbia	Two Day Round table on gender equality on the local level, Part of "For more women in decision-making positions" project	SPS Belgrade
March, Belgrade, Serbia	One day introductory seminar (part of project: "Capacity Development for Improved Implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements" (MEAS)	SPS Belgrade
March, Novi Sad, Serbia	Municipal debates on NATO-Serbia cooperation (part of project: 'A More Secure Region through Meaningful Partnership: Serbia-NATO Cooperation, Communicated Anew')	SPS Belgrade
29-31 March, Valjevo, Serbia	Entrepreneur fairs	SPS Belgrade
29 March - 1 April, Vlasica, Bosnia and Herzegovina	First National Seminar of the School's annual programme	SPS Sarajevo

March (end of), Belgrade, Serbia	Visit to SPS Skopje and visits with MPs from parliament of "the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" - Meetings with MPs interested in environmental issues; Part of the project: "Increasing Awareness and Enhancing Capacities of the National Decision Makers and Improving Regional Parliamentary Cooperation on Biodiversity Related Policies"	SPS Belgrade
March, Podgorica, Montenegro	Forming the informal Green Parliamentary Group	SPS Podgorica (partnership with SPS Belgrade and Skopje)
March (end of), Belgrade, Serbia	Visit to SPS Podgorica and visits with MPs from parliament of Montenegro - Meetings with MPs interested in environmental issues; Part of the project: "Increasing Awareness and Enhancing Capacities of the National Decision Makers and Improving Regional Parliamentary Cooperation on Biodiversity Related Policies"	SPS Belgrade
March/April, Belgrade, Serbia	One day thematic seminar (part of project : "Increasing Awareness and Enhancing Capacities of the National Decision Makers and Improving Regional Parliamentary Cooperation on Biodiversity Related Policies")	SPS Belgrade (partnership with SPS Podgorica and SPS Skopje)
APRIL		
29 March - 1 April, Vlasica, Bosnia and Herzegovina	First National Seminar of the School's annual programme	SPS Sarajevo
March/April, Belgrade, Serbia	One day thematic seminar (part of project : "Increasing Awareness and Enhancing Capacities of the National Decision Makers and Improving Regional Parliamentary Cooperation on Biodiversity Related Policies")	SPS Belgrade (partnership with SPS Podgorica and SPS Skopje)

5 April, Zagreb, Croatia	Third Seminar of the School's Student Programme in Zagreb	SPS Zagreb
6 April, Tirana	Thematic seminar No 4: "Good government and public policies – First training for the public initiatives"	SPS Tirana
7 April, Split, Croatia	Third Seminar of the School's Student Programme in Split	SPS Zagreb
12 - 15 April, Kyiv, Ukraine	First National Seminar of the School's annual programme	SPS Kyiv
12 - 15 April, Thessaloniki and Kilkis, Greece	Lab (seminar and workshop) on Planning for social cohesion	SPS Thessaloniki
13 - 15 April, Agadir, Morocco	First National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Democratic leadership"	SPS Rabat
13 April, Minsk, Belarus	Seminar «Belarus in Contemporary World»	SPS Minsk
17 April, Sarajevo	Alumni Network meeting	SPS Sarajevo
20 April, Tirana	Thematic seminar No 5: "Political ideologies - Populism in a non-successful third wave democracy"	SPS Tirana
20 - 22 april, Durres, Albania	First National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Democracy and Good Governance in Moldova – Current Situation and Main Trends"	SPS Moldova
20-22 April, Nis, Serbia	Annual Seminar, II session	SPS Belgrade

21 April, Istanbul	Alumni Meeting Series	SPS Istanbul
23 - 27 April, Stockholm, Sweden	Sapere Aude (Level 1)	SPS SCE
25 - 29 April, Warsaw, Poland	Seminar "Civil society and State"	SPS Minsk
26 - 27 April Borjoni, Georgia	Seminar on the topic "Culture of Freedom"	SPS Tbilisi
27 April, Belgrade, Serbia	Lecture of Professor Kevin Featherstone, Head of the European Institute and Co-Chair of LSEE	SPS Belgrade
April, Belgrade, Serbia	1st Round table/expert one day sessions in the Parliament (Part of project: "Regional cooperation and competence development of parliamentarians of South-East Europe on energy efficiency and climate topics')	SPS Belgrade
April, Belgrade, Serbia	Expert symposiums for doctors from Serbia and Kosovo* - Part of project: "Changing Minds: Trust through Innovation"	SPS Belgrade
April, Belgrade, Serbia	Thematic meeting of MPs, members of the informal Green Parliamentary Group	SPS Belgrade
April, Belgrade, Serbia	1st meeting of the inter-sectorial group/national cross-sectoral cooperation mechanism on environmental policies - Part of the project: ' Increasing Awareness and Enhancing Capacities of the National Decision Makers and Improving Regional Parliamentary Cooperation on Biodiversity Related Policies"	SPS Belgrade
April, Zrenjanin, Serbia	Two Day Round table on gender equality on the local level (Part of project 'For more women in decision-making positions')	SPS Belgrade

April, Novi Pazar, Serbia	Municipal debates on NATO-Serbia cooperation (part of project 'A More Secure Region through Meaningful Partnership: Serbia-NATO Cooperation, Communicated Anew')	SPS Belgrade
April, Belgrade, Serbia	1st meeting with experts and MPs, members of the informal Green Parliamentary Group - Part of project: "Capacity Development for Improved Implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)"	SPS Belgrade
April, Podgorica, Brisel, Belgium	Second Parliamentary Plenum meeting	SPS Podgorica
April, Rabat & Casablanca, Morocco	Training workshop for young journalists	SPS Rabat
MAY		
2 May, Various cities, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia	V4 in Europe - Lessons in high schools on EU integration and the Visegrad Group	SPS Visegrad
4 May, Tirana	Thematic seminar No 6: "Political institutions and local self-government – Administrative reform in Albania"	SPS Tirana
10 - 13 May, Jahorina, Bosnia and Herzegovina	Second National Seminar of the School's annual programme	SPS Sarajevo
11 - 13 May, Bjelovar, Croatia	Second National Seminar of the School's annual programme	SPS Zagreb
11 - 13 May, Meknès, Morocco	Second National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Political culture - Ethics in politics"	SPS Morocco
18 May, Berlin, Germany	6th Belgrade dialogues	SPS Belgrade

18 - 20 May, Durres, Albania	Second National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Leadership and active citizenship"	SPS Tirana
21 May, Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina	Alumni Network meeting	SPS Sarajevo
24 May, Minsk, Belarus	Round Table «Conditions of Gender Equality Achieving in Belarus : Improving of Legislation	SPS Minsk
24-27 May, Sibiel, Romania	Second national seminar of the School's annual programme: "Politics and Society in a European Democracy"	SPS Bucharest
25 - 26 May, Zagreb, Croatia	Final Conference of the School's Student Programme in Zagreb	SPS Zagreb
25 - 26 May, Split, Croatia	Final Conference of the School's Student Programme in Split	SPS Zagreb
May, Montenegro	Second National Seminar of the School's annual programme	SPS Podgorica
May, Belgrade, Serbia	2nd meeting of the inter-sectorial group / national cross-sectoral cooperation mechanism on environmental policies - Part of project 'Increasing Awareness and Enhancing Capacities of the National Decision Makers and Improving Regional Parliamentary Cooperation on Biodiversity Related policies	SPS Belgrade
May, Zajecar, Serbia	Two Day Round table on gender equality on the local level (Part of project 'For more women in decision-making positions')	SPS Belgrade

May, Uzice, Serbia	Municipal debates on NATO-Serbia cooperation - part of project 'A More Secure Region through Meaningful Partnership: Serbia-NATO Cooperation, Communicated Anew'	SPS Belgrade
May (tentative)	Public hearing on the new climate change strategy - Part of project: Regional Cooperation and competence development of parliamentarians of South-East Europe on energy efficiency and climate topics	SPS Belgrade
May, Zazavica, Serbia	2nd meeting with experts and MPs, members of the informal Green Parliamentary Group - part of project "Capacity Development for Improved Implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)"	SPS Belgrade
May-June, Belgrade, Serbia	Regional Conference - Employability of Young Women in the Balkans - Part of project "Women of the Balkans for New Politics"	SPS Belgrade
May, Montenegro	Seminar for MPs and parliamentary staff related to energy efficiency policies	SPS Podgorica (partnership with SPS Belgrade, Skopje, Sarajevo, Pristina, Tirana)
May, Rabat & Casablanca, Morocco	Training workshop for young journalists	SPS Rabat
May, Belgrade, Serbia	Expert symposiums for photographers from Serbia and Kosovo* - Part of project 'Changing minds: Trust through Innovation'	SPS Belgrade
JUNE		
1 June, Poka, Georgia	Seminar on " Culture of Choice"	SPS Tbilisi

2 June, Minsk, Belarus	Seminar « Belarus and Its Neighbors : Opportunities for Cooperation »	SPS Minsk
6 - 10 June, Odesa, Ukraine	Second National Seminar of the School's annual programme	SPS Kyiv
8 - 10 June, Pristina	Second National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Statehood and Development: Public Policies; Institutions and Markets"	SPS Pristina
8 - 10 June, Gjirokaster, Albania	Third National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "The EU and the integration process. Perspectives for WB countries and Albania"	SPS Tirana
9 - 10 June, Batumi, Georgia	Georgian-Armenian seminar in Batumi	SPS Yerevan & Tbilisi
11 - 15 June, Segovia, Spain	Sapere Aude (Level 1)	SPS SCE
14 - 17 June, Neum, Bosnia and Herzegovina	Third National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "The EU and the integration process. Perspectives for WB countries and Albania"	SPS Sarajevo
14 - 17 June - Warsaw, Poland	V4 in Europe - Summarizing session	SPS Visegrad
15-17 June, Subotica, Serbia	Third annual Seminar	SPS Belgrade
20 - 24 June, European Youth Centre, Budapest, Hungary	Seminar «Transformations in V4 countries : Lessons for Belarus»	SPS Minsk
22 June, Tirana	Thematic seminar No 7: "Sustainable development – Energy and climate change challenges"	SPS Tirana

22 - 24 June, Kenitra area, Morocco	Third National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Communicating in order to convince"	SPS Rabat
22 - 24 June, Vadul-lui-Voda	Second National Seminar: "Effective Democracy, Efficient Governance, and Functional Market Economy – The Outcomes of Successful Transition"	SPS Chisinau
25 - 29 June, Berlin and Hamburg	Study tour	SPS Istanbul
June (tentative), Paris , France	7th Belgrade Dialogues	SPS Belgrade
June, Kruševac, Serbia	Municipal debate on NATO-Serbia cooperation - Part of project "A more secure Regional through meaningful Partnership: Serbia-NATO cooperation, communicated Anew"	SPS Belgrade
June, Belgrade, Serbia	Expert symposiums for doctors from Serbia and Kosovo* - Part of project: 'Changing Minds: Trust through Innovation'	SPS Belgrade
June, Kragujevac, Serbia	Two Day Round table on gender equality on the local level (Part of project 'For more women in decision-making positions')	SPS Belgrade
June, Belgrade, Serbia	3rd meeting with experts and MPs, members of the informal Green Parliamentary Groupe - Part of project 'Capacity Development for Improved Implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)'	SPS Belgrade
April, May, June Rabat & Casablanca, Morocco	Training workshop for young journalists	SPS Rabat
29 June- 1 July	National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Macedonian Democratic Challenges-Issues in Euro-Atlantic affairs and enlargement"	SPS Skopje

JULY

29 June- 1 July	Macedonian Democratic Challenges-Issues in Euro-Atlantic affairs and enlargement	SPS Skopje
5 - 7 July, Poros, Greece	Seminar on Europe	SPS Thessaloniki
July, Kragujevac, Serbia	Municipal debate on NATO-Serbia cooperation - Part of project "A more secure Regional through meaningful Partnership: Serbia-NATO cooperation, communicated Anew"	SPS Belgrade
July, Novi Pazar, Serbia	Two Day Round table on gender equality on the local level (Part of project 'For more women in decision-making positions')	SPS Belgrade
19 - 22 July, Mahmudia, Romania	Third national seminar of the School's annual programme: "Europe and the World"	SPS Bucharest
July, Riga, Latvia (5 days)	Advanced Leadership Programme for alumni	SPS SCE

AUGUST

August, Nis Serbia	Two Day Round table on gender equality on the local level (Part of project 'For more women in decision-making positions')	SPS Belgrade
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SEPTEMBER

2 - 9 September	School's Summer 2018 Programme	SPS Istanbul
7 - 9 September, Nador area, Morocco	Fourth National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Territorial development and sustainable development"	SPS Rabat
8 September, Minsk	Seminar « Post-Soviet Space : Possible Scenarios of Development »	SPS Minsk
8 - 18 September, USA	School's alumni study visit to USA	SPS Zagreb
13 - 16 September, Bijeljina, Bosnia and Herzegovina	Fourth National Seminar of the School's annual programme	SPS Sarajevo
14 September, Tirana	Thematic Seminar No 8: "Academic and essay writing techniques II"	SPS Tirana
14 - 16 September, Pristina	Fourth National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Statehood in the Age of Mass Politics: The Role of Political Actors – Political Parties, Media and Civil Society n Kosovo's State-building "	SPS Pristina
15 - 16 September, Bakhmaro, Georgia	Seminar on " Culture of Choice"	SPS Tbilisi
20 - 23 September, Lviv, Ukraine	Third National Seminar	SPS Kyiv
23 - 29 September, Thessaloniki, Greece	Seminar on Freedom and Human Rights	SPS Thessaloniki
24 - 28 September 2018, Prague, Czech Republic	VSPS meets Russia - Skills workshop for NGOs from V4, Russia and the US	SPS Visegrad

28 - 30 September, Cheile Gradistei, Romania	Alumni conference of the "Ovidiu Sincai" European School - "Romania at 100 Years: the next steps"	SPS Bucharest
28 - 30 September, Rabat, Morocco	Fifth National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Morocco: European Neighbourhood policies" (Council of Europe and EU)	SPS Rabat
September, Belgrade, Serbia	Expert symposiums for doctors from Serbia and Kosovo* - Part of project: "Changing Minds: Trust through Innovation"	SPS Belgrade
September, Belgrade, Serbia	4th meeting with experts and MPs, members of the informal Green Parliamentary Groupe	SPS Belgrade
24 - 28 September, Thessaloniki, Greece	Sapere Aude (Level 1)	SPS SCE (partnership with SPS Thessaloniki)
	OCTOBER	
5 - 7 October, Skopje	National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Public Policy Analysis in Theory and Practice"	SPS Skopje
6 October, Sisak, Croatia	First seminar of the School's educational programme "Local leadership and Democratic Development"	SPS Zagreb
8 October, Sisak, Croatia	Third National Seminar of the School's Annual Programme: "Local Leadership and Democratic Development"	SPS Zagreb
Week of 8 October, Marrakech, Morocco	Closing seminar of training cycle of young journalists	SPS Rabat

12 - 14 October, Krk, Croatia	Third National Seminar of the School's Annual Programme	SPS Zagreb
12 October, Tirana, Albania	Thematic Seminar No 9: "Governance, development and globalisation"	SPS Tirana
12 - 14 October, Chisinau,	Third National Seminar of the School's annual programme: "Effective Democracy, Efficient Governance, and Functional Market Economy – The Outcomes of Successful Transition"	SPS Chisinau
17-19 October, Belgrade, Serbia	8th Belgrade Security Forum (Annual most prominent security related issues conference in Serbia)	SPS Belgrade
18-21 October, Warsaw, Poland	VSPS Migration Programme - Workshop session on the migration and refugee crises	SPS Visegrad
21 - 22 October, Casablanca	South Programme Regional seminar	SPS Rabat (partnership with SPS Tunis)
25 - 26 October Borjoni, Georgia	Seminar on "Culture of Freedom"	SPS Tbilisi
25 - 26 October, Berlin	International Forum on Global Civics	SPS SCE
October, Cacak, Serbia	5th meeting with experts and MPs, members of the informal Green parliamentary Group	SPS Belgrade

October, Belgrade, Serbia	4th meeting with experts and MPs, members of the informal Green Parliamentary Group, Part of the project: "Capacity Development for Improved Implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)"	SPS Belgrade, Serbia
October, Loznica, Serbia	Two Day Round table on gender equality on the local level (Part of project "For more women in decision-making positions")	SPS Belgrade
October, Belgrade, Serbia	2nd Roundtable/expert one day sessions in Parliament	SPS Belgrade
October/November	Entrepreneur Fairs - Part of project: "Changing Minds: Trust through Innovation"	SPS Belgrade
NOVEMBER		
October/November	Entrepreneur Fairs - Part of the project "Changing Minds: Trust through Innovation"	SPS Belgrade
10 November, Sisak, Croatia	2nd Seminar of the School's educational programme "Local Leadership and Democratic Development"	SPS Zagreb
24 November, Istanbul	Alumni Meeting Series	SPS Istanbul
19 - 21 November, Strasbourg	World Forum for Democracy	All SPS at Council of Europe's invitation

23 - 25 November, Tanger, Morocco	Evaluation and validation of practical works - Field experience	SPS Rabat
November, Warsaw, Poland	VSPS Migration Programme - Workshop session on working with youth	SPS Visegrad
November	Part of the project "For more women in decision-making positions"	
November	Two day capacity building seminar for MPs, members of the informal Green Parliamentary Groupe - Part of the project: Capacity Development for Improved Implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)	
November, Riga, Latvia (5 days)	Advanced Leadership Programme for alumni	SPS SCE
DECEMBER		
3 - 7 December, Berlin	Civic Engagement and Public Policy in Germany	SPS SCE
1 December, Kyiv, Ukraine	Annual Conference	SPS Kyiv
8 December, Rabat, Morocco	Training cycle Closing Conference: "Democracy and Human Rights: A new development model in Morocco?"	SPS Rabat
13 - 14 December, Borjomi, Georgia	Seminar on " Culture of Freedom"	SPS Tbilisi

21 December, Chisinau, Moldova	Fourth EISPM Alumni Assembly: Building European Democracy in Moldova	SPS Chisinau
December	Public presentation of the outstanding individual from Kosovo (Part of the project: Capacity Development for Improved Implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)	Pristina
OTHER DATES		
December 2018 - April 2019, various cities, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary and Slovakia	VSPS Migration Programm - Lessons in high schools on the refugee and migration crises	SPS Visegrad
To be determined, Montenegro	Parliamentary hearing	SPS Podgorica (partnership with SPS Belgrade, Skjopje, Sarajevo, Pristina and Tirana)
<i>*All references to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosov.</i>		

