**Provisional program for PhD Candidates**

**Research School Political History 2015-2016**

The Research School for Political History (RSPH) is a research network of political historians, working to promote high-quality research and to strengthen (inter)national cooperation. In addition, the RSPH provides first-rate training for PhD Candidates and Research Master students. The RSPH was established in 2011.

[**www.researchschoolpoliticalhistory.eu**](http://www.researchschoolpoliticalhistory.eu) **/** [**www.onderzoekschoolpolitiekegeschiedenis.nl**](http://www.onderzoekschoolpolitiekegeschiedenis.nl)

Academic director: prof. dr. Henk te Velde (Universiteit Leiden)



The list of events in 2015-2016 is as follows:

***Tutorials***

PhD candidates in their first or second year are expected to participate in five tutorials:

1. What is political history?

Tutor: prof. dr. Ido de Haan

Utrecht, 5 October 2015

1. Research strategies

Tutors: prof. dr. Dirk Jan Wolffram

Groningen, 7 December 2015

1. Sources and e-humanities

Tutor: t.b.a.

The Hague, 1 February 2016

1. Capita Selecta political history

Tutor: t.b.a.

Utrecht, 4 April 2016

1. Presenting political history to an international audience

Tutor: t.b.a.

The Hague, 6 June 2016

***International Research Seminars***

The Research School organizes international Research Seminars on specific themes with key note lectures. In these seminars, PhD candidates present their work and get feedback by (international) experts in their field.

All PhD candidates present their research in an (international) research seminar during their second or third year. All PhD candidates are expected to attend the PhD research seminars

The RSPH will organize four research seminars in 2015/2016. For (external) PhD’s a seminar will be organized as well.

Schedule:

* 7 September ( religion and politics, Nijmegen )
* 8 January 2016 (citizens and politicians, Leiden or Amsterdam)
* 7 March 2016 (violence and security, Leiden or Amsterdam)
* 2-3 May 2016 (two-day event) (international /transnational politics / Gent, Groningen or Münster)

***International Conferences***

* ***Fourth International PhD conference Political History, Arhus***

The fourth third International PhD Conference in political history will take place in the summer of 2016 in Arhus. PhD Candidates from the RSPH are entitled to participate in the conference.

***Other activities for PhD Candidates***

* **Presentation program 2014-2015 / Opening of the new academic year**

Utrecht University, 5 October 2015, [theme: Research policy, case study Nationale Wetenschapsagenda]

* **International PhD Workshop** Understanding political history in and beyond the nation state

Leiden 22-23 October

* **Celebration** 5 Years Research School Political History

The Hague, 6 June 2016

More announcements will be made available on the website: [**www.onderzoekschoolpolitiekegeschiedenis**](http://www.onderzoekschoolpolitiekegeschiedenis)

**Participation** is free of charge for PhD candidates who have been registered with the RSPH.

PhD candidates who are registered with the RSPH receive invitations for the activities.

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**ECTS:** PhD candidates who need ECTS for participation in the activities in the RSPH can contact the coordinator for more information.

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| **Date** | **Location** | **Activity** | **PhD**  **First Year** | **All**  **PhD** | **Extracurricular**  **activity** |
| 7 September | Nijmegen | International Research Seminar |  | x |  |
| 5 October | Utrecht | Tutorial one:  What is political history? | x |  |  |
| 5 October | Utrecht | Opening  Academic Year |  | x | x |
| 22-23 October | Leiden | International  PhD Workshop  Understanding political history in and beyond the nation state |  | x | x |
| 7 December | Groningen | Tutorial two:  Research Strategies | x |  |  |
| 18 January | Leiden /  Amsterdam | International Research Seminar |  | x |  |
| 1 February | The Hague | Tutorial three:  Sources and e-humanities | x |  |  |
| 7 March | Amsterdam  Leiden | Research Seminar |  | x |  |
| 4 April | Utrecht | Tutorial four:  Capita Selecta | x |  |  |
| 2-3 May | tba | Research Seminar/  Social event |  | x |  |
| 6 June | The Hague | Tutorial five:  Presenting political history to an international context | x |  |  |
| 6 June | The Hague | Anniversary RSPH |  | x | x |
| June | Arhus | Fourth International  PhD Conference Political History |  | x |  |