

Call for Papers

Florence Political Economy Applied Research Lab PhD and Postdoc Workshop

The **Florence Political Economy Applied Research Lab (PEARL)** was jointly launched in September 2025 by the EUI Departments of Economics, Social and Political Sciences, and the School of Transnational Governance. The initiative was conceived to foster exchange among scholars interested in **applied political economy**.

The **PEARL PhD and Postdoc Workshop** is an opportunity for early career researchers from both within and outside the EUI to get feedback on their work and connect with other scholars.

The workshop will be held in person at the **European University Institute** on **June 8–9, 2026**. We welcome papers on any applied political economy topics, such as—but not limited to—corruption and accountability, media, clientelism, conflict and political violence, immigration, state capacity, gender and political representation, organized crime. Eight papers will be selected to be presented during the two-day program, and discussed by an EUI scholar working on related topics. [Gemma Dipoppa](#), Assistant Professor of Political Science at Columbia University, will be the **keynote speaker**.

PhDs and postdoctoral researchers are invited to submit their paper by filling [this Google Form](#). The submission deadline is April 10th, 2026. The authors of the selected papers will be notified by end of April. A **reimbursement of up to 150€** will be given to external presenters coming from outside the EUI.

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