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55TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN HISTORIC BOSTON

Following the 2022 success of our first in-person conference since 2020, NPSA is excited to be back in Boston for its 55th annual meeting.

As always, the conference will be a unique opportunity to receive constructive feedback on your work, to network with colleagues, and to keep current with the discipline in a collegial environment.

The conference also offers various opportunities to serve as panel chair or discussant, or to participate in roundtables and professional development workshops.

The **deadline** to submit a proposal is fast approaching—June 15. Only one paper submission per person is allowed. If you are presenting a paper, you can still participate in a roundtable, and serve as chair and/or discussant (in fact, we encourage you to volunteer as chair and/or discussant!).

CONFERENCE SITE

The historic **Omni Parker House** at 60 School Street, Boston, MA is the oldest and longest continuously operating hotel in the United States. It is located in old town Boston, along the Freedom Trail, and walking distance from many attractions—including Faneuil Hall Market Place, Old City Hall, the Massachusetts State House, Boston Common, the New England Aquarium, the Public Gardens and more. It is a short (less than 15 minutes) taxi ride to the JFK Presidential Museum & Library, Bunker Hill Museum, the USS Constitution Museum, the Museum of Fine Arts, the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum.

A group visit to the Institute of Contemporary Art (a twenty-minute walk from the hotel) will be organized on Thursday November 2—more details forthcoming.

KEEP US UPDATED

To share your success or submit a story or blurb for possible inclusion in the next edition, contact our Director of Member Engagement, Vanessa Ruget at vruget@salemstate.edu

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MEET OUR 2023 PROGRAM CHAIR AND PRESIDENT

YUNUS SOZEN, PROGRAM CHAIR

Yunus Sözen received his B.A. from Boğaziçi University, Department of Political Science and International Relations, and his Ph.D. in Politics from New York University. He is currently an assistant professor of political science at Le Moyne College. Previously, he was a Fung Global Fellow at Princeton University and an assistant professor at Özyeğin University. Sözen's areas of expertise are comparative politics and democratic theory. His research focuses on the relationship between political ideas/ideologies (particularly populism) and political regime dynamics (democratization and autocratization).



His recent publications include studies on populism, authoritarianism, and elections published in *Political Studies Review*, *South European Society and Politics*, *Electoral Studies*, and *New Perspectives on Turkey*. He started attending the New York State Political Science Association's Conference in 2018, and the Northeastern Political Science Conference in 2019. He met Tony Spanakos at these conferences, who encouraged him to take on more responsibilities for these events. Because he enjoyed the inviting yet academically serious nature of these conferences, he has become a regular participant and gladly assumed greater responsibility to support them.

TONY SPANAKOS

Tony Spanakos received an AB from Princeton (1995) and an MA (1998) and PhD (2000) from the University of Massachusetts. He is Professor of Political Science and Law at Montclair University since 2006 and an adjunct Professor at New York University since 2007. He has been a Fulbright Fellow (University of Brasilia, Brazil 2002, and the Institute of Advanced Studies of Administration, Venezuela 2008) and Visiting Fellow at the East Asia Institute (National University of Singapore, Singapore 2009, 2017).



He is the co-editor of the *Conceptualising Comparative Politics* book series (Routledge) and is the co-editor of *Reforming Brazil* (Lexington 2004), *Conceptualising Comparative Politics* (Routledge 2013), and a special issue of *Latin American Perspectives* (2017). He has written essays in *Comparative Politics*, *International Relations*, and *Popular Culture and Philosophy*.

His first academic conference was the New York State Political Science Association in 1996 where he met Azzedine Layachi and Jeff Krauss who encouraged him to participate in the upcoming NPSA meeting that year. He has since been a regular and grateful participant at NPSA conferences.

**2023 CALL FOR
PARTICIPATION
55TH ANNUAL
MEETING
NOVEMBER 2-4, 2023
BOSTON, MA**

The Northeastern Political Science Association will hold its 55th Annual meeting in Boston on November 2-4, 2023, at the Omni Parker House Hotel. It will be a fully in-person conference.

You may go to our Allacademic submission site to upload your paper, panel, or roundtable proposal, as well as to indicate your availability to serve as a panel chair or discussant. Graduate and undergraduate students are encouraged to submit proposals. If you do not already have an account in Allacademic, create one for free.

As always, we need volunteers to serve as panel chairs and discussants.
The submission deadline is June 15, 2023.

NPSA will award travel grants by lottery to two graduate students who register for, and participate in, the annual meeting in Boston. Names will be selected at the conference; each student will receive a check for \$150 to help offset expenses associated with attending the conference.

The NPSA website is regularly updated with conference information. For questions, please contact the appropriate Section Chair or the conference Program Chair, Yunus Sozen at sozenmy@lemoyne.edu.

We look forward to seeing you in historic and beautiful Boston in November.

MEMBERSHIP AND CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Membership in NPSA runs from November to November. NPSA knows these are tough times for travel budgets, so it has not increased membership dues and conference rates since 2019:

Early Registration

- Members: \$85 + \$45 (dues) = \$130
- Nonmembers: \$165
- Undergraduate: \$25

After October 31st

- Members: \$135 + \$45 (dues) = \$180
- Nonmembers: \$225
- Undergraduate: \$25

CONFERENCE HOTEL

The conference rate of \$259 per night is valid from October 31, 2023 – Nov 6, 2023 and needs to be booked by Oct 5, 2023. To get the conference rate, [click here to book your room](#).

Friends of NPSA

The purpose of Friends of NPSA is to raise money to support *NPSA's scholarly awards and travel grants*. These awards recognize academic excellence and help to defray travel costs for promising young scholars. This is just one way that NPSA carries out its legacy of collegiality and commitment to scholarship.

NPSA provides a high-quality conference experience in great locations with affordable registration fees. We welcome individuals at all career stages. The awards and travel grants that we fund celebrate academic excellence, connect past and future generations of scholars, reinforce the expectations of the profession, and help to defray costs, particularly for new and upcoming scholars. If positive experiences at the NPSA Conferences have been part of your professional journey, we encourage you to consider giving back so that we may continue our mission in. Even a modest contribution (\$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$55 for the 55th) will have a substantial impact.



Have a Question?

If you have a question about the upcoming NPSA Annual Meeting in Boston, check out the NPSA website at www.northeasternpsa.com. You can also contact Vanessa Ruget, Director of Member Engagement for help: vruget@salemstate.edu

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