

Call for Papers

7th Workshop of the Political Economy Working Group

22 January 2027

UCLouvain-Saint-Louis Brussels

The [Political Economy working group](#) is pleased to invite you to apply for its 6th workshop which will take place on **22 January 2027**, at **UCLouvain-Saint-Louis Brussels**.

We are delighted to welcome Pr. Sean McDaniel as the keynote speaker for this workshop!

The workshop will be divided into two parts:

- The **morning session** is open to all **PhD students wishing to present the progress of their research**, whether in the form of a thesis project, an article or a chapter.
- The **afternoon session** is open to all researchers interested in presenting a publication or work in progress related to the broad research interests of the Political Economy Working Group.

Founded during the ABSP Congress in 2024, this group aims to contribute to the advancement of the field of political economy in Belgium.

It brings together scholars working across comparative and international political economy, with a particular interest in the changing relations between states, markets and societies in Belgium, Europe and beyond. Its research interests include, among others, European economic and budgetary governance; fiscal, monetary and financial integration and regulation; and the political economy of the green and just transitions.

The group also has a strong interest in transformations of the state and state–market relations, approached from perspectives including law and political economy, financialisation and neoliberalism, and through areas such as investment policies and planning, industrial relations and welfare states, austerity and the politics of economic adjustment, and the evolution of applied economics within states and international organisations.

Organizers: Ariane Gemander (ULB), Norman Vander Putten (UCLouvain Saint-Louis Bruxelles), Zoé Evrard (UCLouvain) and Zeineb Mezghani (UCLouvain Saint-Louis Bruxelles).

Next steps: To propose a presentation for the morning or afternoon sessions, submit a title and abstract of no more than 400 words via [this form](#) by **15 November 2026**. Notification of acceptance will be sent by **1 December 2026**. Manuscripts (working papers, chapters or drafts) will be requested **by the 11 January 2027**, in order to give discussants and other participants sufficient time to prepare. We recommend manuscripts of between 5,000 to 10,000 words. Contributions are welcome in either French or English. Presentations should generally be delivered in English.