



Call for Papers and Participants

## **14<sup>th</sup> ERGOMAS Conference in Athens, Greece – June 26-30 2017**

The European Research Group on Military and Society (ERGOMAS) is organizing its biennial conference on military and society hosted by the Hellenic Army Academy in Athens, Greece ([www.sse.army.gr](http://www.sse.army.gr)). Conference dates are June 26-30, 2017.

The theme of the conference will be *Military and Society: New Models for New Challenges* (see below for additional detail). More detailed information on ERGOMAS, the Working Groups, and eventually further information about the conference can be found at the ERGOMAS website: <http://ergomas.ch/>.

### **MILITARY AND SOCIETY: NEW MODELS FOR NEW CHALLENGES**

The mass military forces led by aristocrats in the early nineteenth century transformed into the professional volunteer forces of the early twentieth. In the middle of the twentieth century, militaries transformed again into “international police-armies” designed to establish security and stability and provide humanitarian assistance. These changes in the military model evolved in concert with the social and political changes, especially with changes in the nature of conflict. We are now undergoing a new change in the nature of conflict. Phenomena such as the resurgence of nationalism after the Cold War, the escalation of terrorism, the internationalization of domestic conflicts, and the continuing development of multinational coalitions raise questions about how the military model will and must evolve to meet these challenges.

The upcoming ERGOMAS conference will focus on new lines of inquiry stemming from this new defense and security environment and how these emergent forces will affect the social structure of armed forces. In particular, we will focus on exploring how the study of military and society, both theoretical and practical, can be applied to understanding these evolving transformations and adapting to the challenges they pose.

**We encourage discussion in these areas, as well as other key topics of research in the military and society domain.** Please submit abstracts for papers by email for consideration to **both** the appropriate working group coordinator (see below for list of ERGOMAS Working Groups) and to the Secretary General ([Irina.Goldenberg@forces.gc.ca](mailto:Irina.Goldenberg@forces.gc.ca)). Please submit panel proposals (including book discussions) no later than **1 Dec 2016**; please submit all other presentation proposals no later than **31 January**



**2017.** If you would like to propose a panel that might fall outside regular working groups, please direct it to the secretary general.

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## **ERGOMAS AWARDS**

### **THE GIUSEPPE CAFORIO EGOMAS AWARD FOR BEST BOOK**

ERGOMAS will award a prize for the best book in the domains of armed forces and civil-military relations, published in the two calendar years since the previous conference (i.e., 2015 & 2016). The Award Committee will only consider books in English in the studies of armed forces and civil-military relations, in the areas covered by ERGOMAS' working groups and related areas. The book can be a monograph or an edited volume. Only books by ERGOMAS members will be considered. The Committee will accept self-nominations, or nominations by individual scholars or publishers. Three hard copies of the nominated books should be sent directly, a copy to each of the members of the award committee:

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