Dear PhD candidates, research master students, and supervisors,

The last couple of months working in the Erasmus building has been quite a challenge... The renovation of the ground floor made the entrance look like a mess and what was even worse was the refurbishing of the elevators. It’s such a crime to have to use the elevators that we decided to organise a couple of nice events outside the Erasmus building – you will find information about those below. In the meantime, we still use our ‘clubhouse’ in E15.39 too – so, if you join us in our meetings there, please take an elevator early!

Highlights

Political engagement and research
GSH lunch meeting

Although the temperatures dropped since last week and the sun made way for winds and rain, you can feel that there is another season approaching: spring. The season in which nature comes to new life – and the GSH does the same. We start our spring meetings with one that was requested by you: political engagement and research.
Many of you research a topic that has obvious societal consequences and even political sensibilities. Chances are you chose that topic because of your own engagement with it.

So what do you do when society knocks on your door? Do you have to shield your own engagement, or is it better to openly show it? How do you avoid looking (or being) biased? It’s topics like these that you...
can discuss with Marcel Wissenburg, who is a professor in political theory at our university. A tip: check his website beforehand (and don’t forget to visit his webshop - you won’t be disappointed!). March 12, 12.30-13.30 hrs, E15.39. Lunch is included.

If you want to participate, please send an e-mail to gsh@ru.nl before March 8.

GSH workshop for PhD candidates/supervisors

One of our most important events – it is safe to say the most important one – is the annual workshop for PhD candidates and supervisors. This year’s theme will be your career after your PhD. That may sound like a topic for PhD candidates in their final years, but it is as relevant for starting PhD’s. Working on your career should be a goal from the start – whether it’s a career inside of academia or outside. In the morning session, PhD candidates will explore their wishes, possibilities and needs, in the afternoon session the supervisors will explore what they can do to assist their candidates.

As it is our most important event, it is extremely important to attend it. So please register as soon as possible at gsh@ru.nl. There is limited availability – so act quickly. The workshop will take place on 2 April, from 09:30-14:00 for PhD candidates (including lunch) and from 13:00-17:00 for supervisors (also including – the same – lunch), in Faculty Club Huize Heyendael.

Announcements by the GSH Board

GSH Video grant 2019

There is still some time to apply for the coveted GSH video grant – but it is rapidly running out. If you would like the chance to get a professional short video about your work as a researcher, please apply before 1 April. It’s really easy and doesn’t take too much time. You just have to send in a short outline (max 1A4) of the way you would like to visualize your project. The videos will be posted on the GSH website, and can be used by the grantees themselves on their professional and private websites.

Workshops/Masterclasses/Lunch meetings
March:
12-03 12.30-13.30 GSH lunch meeting - Political engagement and research

April:
02-04 09.30-14.00 Workshop for PhDs - Career planning
02-04 13.00-17.30 Workshop for supervisors - Career guidance
23-04 12.30-13.30 GSH lunch meeting - Time management

May:
GSH Lunch meeting - Writer's block

June:
04-06 17.00-21.00 A career outside academics - Meeting with GSH alumni
GSH Lunch meeting: Publishing your PhD Thesis

POL/POFTR activities

March:
See Facebook page.

PhD's,
MAKE TIME FOR
DRINKS
@ CultuurCafé

Organized by POL & POFTR, paid for by GSH

News and information

GSH on Facebook

Most of you will know this, but for those of you who don't: there is a really nice Facebook page for the GSH. It is run by fellow PhD candidates, and it's one of the more convenient ways to find notifications of upcoming events, especially from POL & POFTR. So please, join this page.
Upcoming PhD defences

Check the upcoming PhD defences of the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Philosophy, Theology and Religious Studies here.

We are looking forward to meeting you on the announced events.

All best wishes,

Nicolet and Peter (coordinators of the GSH)

External PhDs (only those who submit to the GSH protocol) and postdocs are also invited, but in case a course is fully-booked, regular PhDs will go first.

The GSH is entitled to cancel a course in case the minimum number of registrations has not been reached.

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