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Call for Papers INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE SPAIN IN THE NEW EUROPE THIRTY YEARS SINCE THE MAASTRICHT TREATY

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Project justification

Between the mid-1980s and the early 1990s a series of far-reaching changes took place on the European scene. Indeed, after the approval of the Single Act in 1986, the Maastricht Treaty was signed in 1992. The birth of the European Union (EU) was a fundamental qualitative leap for the continental integration that emerged after World War II. At the same time, the policies promoted by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev led to the end of the Cold War and the collapse of the so-called “real socialist” regimes, which gave hope that the East and West of Europe, separated by the Iron Curtain for more than four decades, could finally meet again.

Thirty years since the signature of the Maastricht Treaty, this Conference aims to deepen the analysis of how, in Spain, the Government and the socio-political actors addressed the challenges posed by the recent incorporation of the country to the European Communities (1986), as well as by the configuration of the new Europe. To this end, the research community is invited to present papers related to the following thematic axes:

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Thematic axes

- Spain's performance in the European institutions;
- Attitude of the Spanish government, public opinion and socio-political actors to the Maastricht Treaty;
- Spain's diplomatic relations with other European countries;
- Actions and relations of Spanish parties, trade unions and social movements in the European scenario;
- Europeization of the Spanish economy, culture and society;
- Attitude of the Spanish government, public opinion and socio-political actors to the issue of German reunification;
- Attitude of Spanish government, public opinion and socio-political actors to the changes in Central and Eastern Europe and the consequent prospect of EU expansion towards the East;
- Memories of europeization and the Maastricht Treaty;
- Europeization of Spain in comparative perspective;
- Relations between Spain, Europe and the Americas

Paper proposals (in Spanish or English) should be sent to congresomaastricht@gmail.com **before September 5, 2022**. They should include a title, an abstract of up to 300 words and a brief CV of the authors.