

## **Stein Rokkan Prize for Comparative Social Science Research**

### **Announcement and Information for candidates for the XVth (2010) Prize**

The Stein Rokkan Prize for Comparative Social Science Research was first awarded in 1981 in honour of Stein Rokkan (1921-1979), former President of the International Social Science Council (ISSC) (1973-1977) and professor in Comparative Politics at the University of Bergen, Norway. The Prize was instituted jointly by the ISSC and the Conjunto Universitario Candido Mendes in Brazil, and until 2002 was awarded jointly by both institutions. Candido Mendes served as President of the ISSC from 1981 to 1992. Since the early 1980s the Stein Rokkan Prize has been managed on behalf of the ISSC by the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)

The International Social Science Council (ISSC), the University of Bergen and the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) are pleased to announce that, thanks to the generosity of the University of Bergen, the Stein Rokkan Prize for Comparative Social Science Research will now comprise an award of €5000 and will be awarded on an annual basis.

The prize is open to all social science disciplines. It is given to a submission that is deemed by the Jury to be a very substantial and original contribution in comparative social science research. It can be either an unpublished manuscript of book length, or a printed book, or collected works published no more than two years before the award ceremony is to take place. The prize is €5000.

Nominations for the XVth (2010) Prize are currently welcomed. The deadline for submission of nominations is 1 February, 2010.

The 2010 prize jury comprises:

- Professor Klaus Armingeon, Universität Bern (chair)
- Professor Maurizio Ferrera, Università degli studi di Milano
- Professor Stein Kuhnle, University of Bergen/Hertie School of Governance, Berlin
- Professor Manfred Schmidt, Universität Heidelberg

Requirements for candidates:

In a change from past criteria, there is no longer an upper age limit for candidates, though the Jury will try to ensure that both younger and more senior scholars are awarded the Prize.

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### Requirements for submissions:

1. must be a very substantial and original contribution in comparative social science research
2. can be either an unpublished manuscript of book length, or a printed book, or collected works published within the two years preceding the award ceremony
3. should include four copies of manuscripts, typed double space, or of printed works.
4. should be accompanied by a formal letter in support of the nomination from the head of a research institution - a university department, research centre or institute; the letter of nomination must provide information on the nominee, his/her work, and motivate their candidacy for the award.
5. should preferably be submitted in English; if a submission is written in another language, it should be accompanied by an English summary of the work.
6. should be submitted by the deadline of 1 February, 2010.

\* Please note that the letter of support must be sent **together** with the **four** copies of the manuscript or book. Letters and manuscripts/books that are sent separately or nominations that are incomplete, i.e. fewer than four copies of the manuscript or book are provided, cannot be forwarded to the Prize jury.

Submissions should be sent to:

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Announcement of the 2010 prizewinners and information about the Award Ceremony:

1. the decision of the Jury will be announced by June 2010
2. the 2010 prizewinners will be invited to attend an Award Ceremony, which is expected to be held towards the end of November 2010
3. the ISSC will organize the Award Ceremony, during which Prizewinners will be expected to give a public lecture on the work for which they have been awarded the prize.
4. the ISSC will organize a reception in honour of the laureate