EDITOR’S REPORT 2019

Parliaments, Estates & Representation

**General Points**

The journal is in a healthy state of affairs and is on course to meet the publication schedule for Taylor and Francis.

Interdisciplinary submissions are strong in political science and the journal is attracting submissions in this area.

There are an increasing number of submissions in contemporary history and the geographical coverage of the journal in terms of article content is expanding.

**Current themed/special issues**

1. *Information and power around the working commissions of parliamentary and representative Institutions, 15th-21st centuries*, Maria Betlem Castellà, University of Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona. Publication will be in the December 2019 issue of PER.

2. *Glory and misery of the parliamentary concept, 1918-38*. Gerald Kohl and Thomas Simon, University of Vienna. Planned/scheduled for the July 2020 issue of PER.

**Standard journal issues**

At the time of writing, three articles have been accepted for publication in the March 2020 issue of PER and three others are under review.
Book reviews

The journal has a healthy submission of book reviews, as indicated in the report of the Book Reviews Editor below:

Book reviews are now entirely the responsibility of the Reviews Editor, Coleman Dennehy, who reports to the Editor John Young.

Generally speaking, the reviews part of the journal is in good shape. There is never a problem with getting review copies and as a general rule the supply of reviewers is plentiful. With reasonably careful management, the supply of reviews in a timely fashion is achievable and for the most part the year has gone well.

As of the appointment of the Reviews Editor around this time last year, 14 reviews have been processed and sent to production, most of which have already been published. There are a large number of titles out for review that will be submitted at various stages over the coming months. These books stretch across many centuries and across many geographical regions, although Europe does seem to dominate, and more modern books tend to be more active on the publishing scene at the moment.

As has been mentioned in previous years, the nature of the reviews section of PER has been that it reflects the largely Anglophone nature of the Editors and increasingly the academic and publishing industry. As such, we need a greater number of books from the non-English speaking world that would be suitable for the journal. We would be very grateful for members of the commission to highlight to the editors (reviewsPER@gmail.com) new publications either by members or by non-members, in order that they can be reviewed in a timely fashion, and especially so that we can continue to promote ICHRPI representing parliamentary history on a global scale.

Emile Lousse Prize

2018 prize

The 2018 Emile Lousse Prize has been awarded to Dr Aaron Graham of University College London for his article on ‘The principle of representation in Jamaica and the British Atlantic in the age of revolutions, 1768-1807’. Dr Graham’s article will be published in the first issue of PER 2020 (March 2020).
2019 prize

The deadline for the 2019 Emile Lousse Prize is 31 January 2020. The prize has been advertised on the ICHRPI website and in PER. ICHRPI members should encourage eligible scholars to apply.

Service offered by Taylor and Francis

The publisher now offers a pre-submission language editing service for non-native English speaking authors. The Editor strongly recommends that this service is used in relevant submissions. Further information can be found at:


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