

Sciences Po-INTERPOL Conference – Student Rapporteurs

Call for applications

On the occasion of INTERPOL's Centenary, Sciences Po and INTERPOL are co-organizing a one-day conference under the theme *“Challenges to global security: INTERPOL's Role in Founding Multistakeholder Cooperation for a Sustainable Future”*. At Sciences Po, the conference is organized by the Paris School of International Affairs, with the support of the Law School. It will take place on Wednesday 27 September 2023, from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm, on campus.

With the objective of fostering student engagement, **three student rapporteurs** will take part in the conference. This role will enable students to deepen their understanding on the subject, to engage with guest speakers, whilst keeping a summary of key point of the discussion.

Role

The conference will be organized around three panel discussions (from 1:00pm to 5:00pm), followed by a high-level discussion (from 5:30pm to 7:00pm). The language of the conference will be English.

The student rapporteurs will attend one panel discussion, take notes, and identify the key summary points to be reported to the audience during the final session. Rapporteurs will only have 2-3 minutes to share these key points, so they must be able to deliver them in a clear and concise way. One student will be assigned to each panel, hence forming a group of three rapporteurs.

Once selected, rapporteurs will attend a preparatory meeting with a Sciences Po faculty member. On the day, they will be invited to a lunch with all guest speakers.

Subject

The event will unfold through three thematic panels:

- Panel 1: Leveraging partnerships for operational success: The case of environmental crimes
- Panel 2: Bridging gaps within the current international legal order
- Panel 3: Innovatively harnessing technology: empowering law enforcement to combat transnational crime

Further details about the panels can be found in the attached Concept Note.

Eligibility

Students eligible to apply to a position are:

- **Paris School of International Affairs:** first-year Master students, as well as exchange students, enrolled in the academic year 2023-2024
- **Law School:** second-year Master students, as well as exchange students, enrolled in the academic year 2023-2024

Selection Process

The following criteria will be taken into account:

- **Availability:** candidates must be available on the afternoon of Wednesday 27 September from 1pm to 7pm.
 - Note: Unless you are scheduled to make an in-class presentation or take an exam, students who are selected to be rapporteurs may choose to be absent from their courses on the day. Please keep in mind that Article 5 of Sciences Po's Academic Rules and Regulations relating to Student Default will still apply - in this case, absences during the Interpol Conference will be justified, but will still count towards the maximum two absences permitted per course.
- **Language skills:** C1 in English
- **Motivation and interest in the subject** (paragraph of 2500 characters max.)
- **Prior relevant experience** either with public speaking or note-taking (paragraph of 1250 characters max.)

Application

To apply, [please fill out this form](#) by **Thursday 14 September at 23:59pm CET**.

If needed, short interviews may be scheduled with short-listed candidates.

Results will be announced by Thursday 21 September.

Should you have any query, please email: psia.events@sciencespo.fr

Conference Attendance

Independently from this call for applications, all Sciences Po students will have the chance to attend the conference. Information will be widely shared one week prior with details on the registration process.

CONCEPT NOTE

On the occasion of INTERPOL's Centenary, Sciences Po and INTERPOL are co-organizing a one-day conference under the theme ***“Challenges to global security: INTERPOL's Role in Founding Multistakeholder Cooperation for a Sustainable Future”***. At Sciences Po, the conference is organized by the Paris School of International Affairs, with the support of the Law School.

The overall objective of the event is to launch and facilitate an interdisciplinary, multistakeholder dialogue involving practitioners from partner Intergovernmental Organizations, diplomats, and academics to **discuss the state of affairs of the global security landscape and INTERPOL's place within it**, as well as that of relevant Intergovernmental Organizations.

The event will unfold through three closed thematic panels followed by an open conference bringing together renowned academics, researchers from the think-tanks community, diplomats, senior officials from relevant Intergovernmental Organizations, as well as pioneer stakeholders in the field of security-related technologies, in a discussion with Sciences Po students and researchers.

Starting with INTERPOL's core operational mission, the **first panel “Leveraging partnerships for operational success: The case of environmental crimes”** will focus on the organization's actions against transnational crime while leveraging strategic partnerships on a pressing issue with great implications on human security – such as Environmental security. At the centre of the discussion will be the implementation of INTERPOL Global Policing Goal 7 “Environmental Security and Sustainability” and its links to the relevant United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

The **second panel “Bridging gaps within the current international legal order”** will seek to facilitate the discussion with INTERPOL's international partners and academics concerning the current challenges facing the law, theory and practice of Intergovernmental Organizations. Against the backdrop of increasingly polarized political views and social values, participants will identify any gaps in the current international legal order, governing security matters and reflect on rule of law-based responses to global or regional security threats, in the near-to-medium term.

Focusing on technology and innovation, the **third panel “Innovatively harnessing technology: empowering law enforcement to combat transnational crime”** will explore how law enforcement can innovatively and effectively leverage latest developments in the fast-changing technological landscape to strengthen its crime fighting capabilities.

Taking stock of these three complementary aspects of the ecosystem of today's global law enforcement community (operations, legal frameworks, technology), the **final session “Challenges to global security: INTERPOL's Role in Founding Multistakeholder Cooperation”** will expand on the interdependencies between global security and sustainable solutions and the role of INTERPOL and its “Police Diplomacy” in the future integrated security architecture. Whether through pressing the fight against transnational organized crime (e.g., environmental crimes), fostering international cooperation, or leveraging on technology, INTERPOL's role is at the intersection of global security and the implementation of sustainable development goals.