



Political Studies
Association

SPECIALIST GROUP
ETHNO**p**OLITICS

Constitution

Name

The group shall be called the UK Political Studies Association Ethnopolitics Specialist Group.

Objectives

The objectives of the group are:

- 1) to promote the study of ethnopolitics in all its dimensions and geographical contexts without prejudice against any theoretical or methodological approach
- 2) to facilitate contact between scholars (senior academics, new entrants and graduate students) and practitioners engaged in the study of ethnopolitics
- 3) to organize its own conferences, workshops, and seminars and to convene panels at major national and international scholarly gatherings
- 4) to publish the journal *Ethnopolitics*
- 5) to maintain the website www.ethnopolitics.org

Membership

Membership shall be open to all members of the UK Political Studies Association.

Governance arrangements

- 1) The group and its activities will be managed by the convenor (or convenors) who will organise, arrange and administer all group business.
- 2) The convenor/s shall make appropriate arrangements for keeping accurate records of membership and activities (including minutes of meetings, financial accounts, and the Annual Report) which will be available to any member of the group upon request.
- 3) The convenor/s term of office ends with either his/her/their resignation or upon dismissal by resolution of a general meeting of the group.
- 4) A new convenor will be selected from a volunteer within the group. An election will be held if more than one volunteer steps forward. The new convenor must be a member of the group at the time of selection and a member of the PSA.

Meetings

General Meetings of the Specialist Group will be organized by the convenor/s as and when necessary. The quorum for any meeting is at least three permanent members of the group, including the convenor.

Finance

Funding applications to the PSA shall be made at the discretion of the conveners of the group, who shall bear ultimate responsibility for any funding obtained and its disbursement on a range of activities, including but not limited to conferences and other activities, facilitating attendance at conferences, and promoting the development of graduate students.

PSA Constitution

The operation and activities of the group shall conform to the Constitution of the PSA.

Amendment of the Constitution of the Specialist Group

This constitution may be amended or altered only by a resolution supported by two-thirds of the members present and voting at a general meeting, provided that no alteration shall contravene any part of the PSA's Constitution.