The 2024 Article Award

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The 2024 E-International Relations Article Award, sponsored by Edinburgh University Press, Polity, Sage, Bloomsbury and Routledge

E-International Relations invites PhD / doctoral students (at any stage) and early career academics (within 5 years of submitting their PhD) to prepare articles outlining novel, or under appreciated, ideas that contribute to a better understanding of international relations. The award welcomes articles on the widest range of topics, so long as they connect their subject matter to a global or regional issue – ideally with the aim of sparking debate that will contribute towards real-world outcomes. We welcome empirical, political, historical, legal and diplomatic approaches, as well as articles that discuss theoretical and disciplinary issues in an accessible way. As the purpose of this award is to communicate new ideas to the widest possible audience, entrants must avoid writing in an abstract or overly jargon-laden manner. Papers must be concise, written to engage any informed reader – including non-specialists. The criteria we have placed below will assist entrants in writing in a suitable way for the award.

The prize for this year's award is publication on our website and £1000 in books

The shortlisted papers will be copy-edited and published on E-International Relations and promoted across all our social media channels to allow the ideas expressed to reach our audience of 3+ million readers. From the shortlisted papers, one winner will be awarded and given book vouchers to the value of £1000 from our sponsors at Edinburgh University Press, Polity, Sage, Bloomsbury and Routledge. The winner will also have access to Sage's online Learning Resources.

Entry criteria

1) Applicants must be **a single author** who is enrolled as a PhD / doctoral candidate (at any stage) or be an early-career academic who has been awarded their PhD within the last 5 years (we can give or take *a little* here, so don't worry too much if you are marginally outside this). We do not allow co-authored or group authored articles for this award.

2) Papers must be between 3500–5000 words, *including* references and citations. As references are included in the word count, keep referencing and quotation to a minimum and only cite where you are directly referring to essential literature/ideas.

3) You must write in a direct way to maximise the impact of your piece and allow your ideas to be understood by as wide an audience as possible.

You must format your article as follows

- Prepare your article in Microsoft Word format (.docx) in well written, well edited, publishable English (any variant is fine).
- Include a bio (20–100 words) that details academic/professional affiliations, titles, positions and preferred pronouns (as applicable). We are happy for you to include notable publications and web/social links.

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- Shape a catchy title that directly describes the content. It must be 80 characters or less and in Title Case.
- Do not indent the first sentences of paragraphs. Leave one clear line of space between each paragraph.
- Referencing should be via embedded hyperlinks and/or the *Chicago Manual of Style's* author-date system.
- We do *not* allow footnotes or endnotes in any form (for referencing, or otherwise).
- Your article must not exceed 5000 words, inclusive of references and citations.
- Indent quotes longer than two lines. Do not italicise quotations.
- Do not use a double space after each period / full stop (single space please).
- If you have used images, figures or tables, compile these at the bottom of your article and number them. If used, these must be integral to the content and be created/owned by you, or supplied with attribution and a destination link to the source confirming it is public domain.

Submission instructions

Please prepare your article in one Microsoft word format (.docx) attachment. The first page of your attachment should contain the title of your article, mark out that is is an entrant for the 2024 Article Award, and contain a short narrative style biography (see format guide above). **Email it to submissions.e.ir@gmail.com**. **You must clearly title your email 'Article Award Entry'**.

Papers must be received by **2 August 2024**. We will inform all entrants of our decision during the month of September.

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