

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### Annual Conference of the Swiss Political Science Association University of Berne, 4. – 5. February 2021

The deadline for paper submissions is **September 15, 2020**. You can expect to get notice on the acceptance of your paper submission on October 15, 2020.

Please submit your abstract [here](#)

The panels of the conference will be organized in collaboration with the standing working groups of the Swiss Political Science Association. The working groups cover most sub-disciplines of political science and form the specific thematic context of your paper submission. Some working groups have formulated special calls for papers (you find all special calls [here](#)). In the submission, you will be asked to indicate to which working group you aim to submit your paper. For more information on all 13 working groups, see <https://www.svpw-assp.ch/working-groups>.

#### **Main theme of the conference: Climate change politics in times of crisis**

The coronavirus pandemic changed global and local politics, replacing concerns about the consequences of global warming as priority of political action. Before the pandemic, the Swiss elections in late 2019 led to an unprecedented victory of green parties, which more than doubled their seats in the national parliament. What will remain (or come out) of this green wave after the coronavirus crisis has come to dominate politics, the economy, and society as a whole? How is policy making shaped by facts and science in addressing the coronavirus pandemic compared to the climate crisis? What is the role of Switzerland in international negotiations on climate change in this new context, and how are international obligations implemented domestically? These and other questions will be addressed and discussed by decision makers and scientific experts on the first day of the conference with key note speeches and a panel.

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