

**2013-14 ANNUAL REPORT**  
**ETHNICITY, NATIONALISM, & MIGRATION SECTION (ENMISA)**

TO: International Studies Association Governing Council

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This annual report of the Ethnicity, Nationalism, and Migration Section (ENMISA) captures the activities for the period 2013-2014.

• **Annual Conference Program Contributions:**

The ENMISA section of the 2014 annual conference program was organized by program chair Nukhet Sandal; ENMISA successfully stretched its original panel quota with numerous co-sponsorships. The initial ENMISA quota was 40 panels, through co-sponsorships with other sections we stretched it to 52.5 panels. A total of 15 panels were co-sponsored. The percentage of first participants increased by 3.6 percent. Program Chair reports that there was a problem of last minute drop-outs and a computer glitch that may have contributed to program uncertainty.

• **Martin O. Heisler Graduate Student Paper Award:**

ENMISA annually gives an award to the best paper written and presented by a graduate student at the previous ISA annual conference. The 2014 committee included Peter Trumbore (Chair), Nadia Marinova, and Anna Batta and recognized Olivier Henripin for her paper “Where is China? Comparing the PRC’s Indivisibility Rhetoric toward Tibet, Taiwan, and Mongolia”. She receives a \$300 check, certificate, and a one-year ENMISA membership.

• **ENMISA Book Award:**

This year a total of 26 books were submitted to the Book Award Committee, which was composed of: Stephen Deets (Chair), Babson College; Phil Orchard, University of Queensland; and Ozgur Ozdamar, Bilkent University. The award will be presented by ENMISA at the ISA Annual Convention in Toronto, Canada March 24-29, 2014.

This year the Distinguished Book Award goes to Fotini Christia, *Alliance Formation in Civil Wars* (Cambridge). *Alliance Formation in Civil Wars* starts with the question of why alliances shift so in deeply factionalized multiparty civil wars. Using an impressive depth and array of data, Dr. Christina argues that specific conditions on the ground, changes in relative power, and the hopes and fears embodied in ideas of minimal winning coalitions best explain the dynamics of shifting alliances. In this way, narratives of historic, religious, ethnic, or blood ties are used to justify strategic shifts. Afghanistan serves as her primary case as she examines mid-level dynamics during the civil war from 1992-1998 and the war involving the Soviet Union from 1979-1989 and at the

commander level across the entire period. Bosnia-Herzegovina from 1992-1995 and 1941-1945 is used as a secondary case. The final chapter extends the theory to several other cases. What is especially noteworthy is her extensive fieldwork, including interviews with about 70 of commanders and political actors in Afghanistan and Bosnia-Herzegovina, and her use of quantitative methods, which she effectively uses to rule out alternate explanations. Despite the complexity of the cases and the multiple methods, Dr. Christia has written a compelling, lucid, and highly readable book.

The Book Award Committee also chose two Honorable Mentions in Christine Chin's *Cosmopolitan Sex Workers: Women and Migration in a Global City* (Oxford) and Sherrill Stroschein's *Ethnic Struggle, Coexistence, and Democratization in Eastern Europe* (Cambridge)

• **ENMISA Distinguished Scholar Award:**

ENMISA annually recognizes a scholar who has achieved high distinction in scholarship and service to the field with its Distinguished Scholar Award. The 2014 committee was composed of Bill Ayres (Wright State University), Victor Asal (University of Albany) and Martin Heisler (University of Maryland), and they recognized Andreas Wimmer of Princeton University as the 2014 ENMISA Distinguished Scholar.

• **Reception at the Annual Conference:**

For several years, ENMISA has co-sponsored a reception at the Annual Conference. For the 2014 reception in Toronto we actively co-sponsored with several sections; Human Rights, International Law and International Organization, publishers; Lynne Rienner Publishers, Routledge, Taylor and Francis, Keesings World News Archive, Academic Council on the United Nations, and Oxford University Press; academic centers, Center for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (University of Toronto), Ryerson Center for Immigration and Settlement, and Faculty of Arts (Ryerson University), Center for International Studies (Ohio University), Center for International Studies (University of Southern California).

• **Sponsorship at the Annual Conference:**

We reversed a recent trend in lack of outside sponsorship funds being raised by our section. Kamal Sadiq and Nukhet Sandal were instrumental in raising a total of \$1800 from new sources. Kamal Sadiq brought in \$500 sponsorship from Ryerson Center for Immigration and Settlement, and Faculty of Arts (Ryerson University) and \$300 from the Center for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (University of Toronto). Nukhet Sandal brought in \$500 from War and Peace Studies, Center for International Studies (Ohio University) and \$500 from Center for International Studies (University of Southern California). The total sponsored funds deposited to ENMISA for the reception totaled \$3,100. ENMISA has to carry on this fund raising momentum in the coming years.

• **ENMISA Budget**

The budget for the section is showing dynamism and positive growth from this year. The balance for the section on January 1, 2012 was \$5,225.46 and the balance at the end of the year (December 31, 2012) was \$3,448.41. This meant a reduction of \$1,777 to the section budget over the course of

2012. The balance at the beginning of the year was \$6548.41 (January 1, 2013 ) and by the end of the year was \$8710.63 (December 31, 2013). As of March 2014 the balance is: \$8834.63. In fact, between July 1, 2013 through March 20, 2014 we were able to generate an income of \$4925 from generous sponsors. The positive balance is a result of our active fund raising and continued membership growth.

Our expenditures (all going toward events and awards at the annual meeting in Toronto) totaled \$3,700.00. For the co-sponsored reception, the ENMISA Contribution was \$600. However, we raised a total of \$3100 from sponsors for our reception. In general, ENMISA spends money on the same things every year—co-sponsorship of the reception, a graduate student paper award, plaques for the book and distinguished scholar awards. ENMISA has spent money on the following items (expenditures are rough estimates):

• Co-sponsorship of reception at annual conference	\$600
• Certificate for Heisler Award Winner	\$35
• Check for Heisler Award Winner	\$200
• Plaque for Distinguished Book Award	\$100
• Honorable Mention, Book award (35 each)	\$70
• Plaque for Distinguished Scholar Winner	\$100

ENMISA expenses have historically been covered by our dues revenue. Last fiscal year ENMISA pulled in \$1,161 in dues, and so far this year has attracted \$1,079 in dues with more to come until the end of the fiscal year. However to strengthen ENMISA’s budget further, two steps were taken: 1) ENMISA section will not pay for the breakfast of the Executive Committee at annual conferences (in 2012, the breakfast cost us \$119.60; in 2013, the cost was \$98.78). The Executive Committee is welcome to meet and bear their own expenses. 2) Increased effort will be devoted to raising funds for the section, including its annual reception.

• **Membership History for ENMISA (ISA Figures, November 2013):**

- 2005 = 123
- 2006 = 147
- 2007 = 174
- 2008 = 211
- 2009 = 273
- 2010 = 303
- 2011 = 318
- 2012 = 331
- 2013 = 366
- 2014 = 360\*

\*Sections experience a minor drop as and when the annual meeting takes place outside the United States. Our focus will remain the continued long-term growth in the membership of the section.

• **Elections:**

ENMISA is conducting its next round of elections in 2015, in which they will select a whole new slate of officers, including a new chair. ENMISA will find an active member to chair the nomination & elections process in 2015. The current slate of officers have 2-year terms until 2015, they are listed below.

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**Section Leadership:**

Kamal Sadiq, Chair, 2013-2015

Nukhet Sandal, Chair-Elect, 2013-2015; (and 2014 Program Chair)

Victor Asal, Vice-Chair, 2013-2015

Omar McDoom, Secretary, 2013-2015

Keira Stearns, Treasurer, 2013-2015

Maria Koinova, Member-at-Large, 2013-2015

Kumiko Haba, Member-at-Large, 2013-2015

Sarah Goodman, Member-at-Large, 2013-2015

Ozgur Ozdamar, Member-at-Large, 2012-2014