



Human security in a globalizing world
Early Career Researcher Training School
ADA University, Baku

15-18 February 2021

We are delighted to announce a Call for Applications to the 3rd GCRF COMPASS International Training School for Early Career Researchers (TS) under the aegis of the GCRF COMPASS Project. The TS is scheduled for 15-18 February 2021 and is organized by the ADA University's Centre of Excellence in EU Studies. TS is tailored to offer an opportunity for research development, training, exchange of ideas and network-building for PhD and postdoctoral students working in the field of security.

The Training School's (TS) theme focuses on the "Human Security in a Globalizing World". The TS reviews security phenomenon from broader approaches considering security threats where the security landscape is influenced by and has possible implications across different sectors such as the economy, the environment, migration, health and etc. The aim of the TS is to promote wider understanding of peace, security, and international stability in the region and globally, by elevating human security as a crucial component of security policy.

Human security represents an emerging paradigm that seeks to shift the meaning of security from its traditionally military-oriented and state-centric focus to a "people-oriented". As noted in General Assembly resolution 66/290, "human security is an approach to assist Member States in identifying and addressing widespread and cross-cutting challenges to the survival, livelihood and dignity of their people. It calls for "people-centered, comprehensive, context-specific and prevention-oriented responses that strengthen the protection and empowerment of all people". Human security draws together the expertise and resources of a wide range of actors from governments, private sector, civil society, and local communities. Thus, this TS will seek to understand current processes, factors, crisis, conflicts, and challenges related to any aspect of human security in local and international context.

The TS 2021 aims to engage PhD researchers, postdoctoral students and practitioners from different research streams. Topics may be wide-ranging, covering all aspects of human security such as economics, sociology, international affairs, peace studies and conflict resolution, social work, social development and etc.

The approach of the TS is interdisciplinary, meaning that we welcome participation from the social sciences, the humanities and law. Papers may focus exclusively on pressing global challenges including COVID-19, peace and security, ecology and climate change, economy and employment, inequality and well-being and international and national responses to current and emerging challenges. Comparative approaches are also welcomed.



The TS will include presentation and discussion of papers submitted by the participating students, skill workshops and lectures. Papers will be grouped into a series of panels with 3-4 presentations in each. Panels will be chaired by senior scholars, and appointed discussants will lead discussions to ensure that all participants get valuable feedback on their contribution. Best papers will be published online as part of the GCRF TS report.

In order to apply, please fill in the **Application form** following the link <https://forms.gle/7RnV3SL5YMWmSue97> no later than December 21, 2020.

Notifications of acceptance will be sent out by early January. To guarantee a place, participants should submit their papers (5,000 words max) by 31 January 2021.

Due to restrictions related to the pandemic, TS this year will be conducted in online format.

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