

Open Competition for a 2018 Special Issue of *JEPOP: Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*

Applications are invited for the editorship of a special issue of *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties* (JEPOP) which will be published in February 2018 (Firstview as articles become available) under the general supervision of the current JEPOP editorial team and the associated editors.

In particular, for the 2018 special issue of JEPOP we are seeking proposals that focus on the **recent U.S. elections**. The proposal can cover any aspects of the elections that are relevant for the audience of JEPOP.

Proposals should be for 6-8 articles each of up to 8,000 words in length, including an editorial introduction. The special Proposals should be concise: no longer than 2000 words. Proposals may come from practitioners as well as academics and are equally welcome from new or more established scholars. Proposals should include a clear account of the research theme, a schedule of work, the names of proposed or confirmed contributors, titles and abstracts (approx. 200 words each). Paper abstracts should include a brief description of the proposed research questions and data of each article.

The deadline for the submission of proposals to the JEPOP Editorial Office at the University of Exeter is 27 January 2017, email to jepop@exeter.ac.uk. Proposals will then be considered by a Selection Panel, the *JEPOP editors and associate editors*. The successful team will be informed by mid-February 2017.

The JEPOP editorial team will manage the editorial tasks with the guidance of the guest editor(s) on reviewers. It is suggested that the successful team of applicants organise a workshop to discuss drafts of the papers. A budget will be available for this workshop (pending approval) through the journal editorial team. After the workshop, papers will be reviewed according to normal *JEPOP* standards in time for final approval by the editorial team. For February 2018 publication, final manuscripts should be proof ready by mid-December 2017. Proposers and authors should be aware that this is a tight timetable.

The decision of the Selection Panel is final. There is no appeal. Communication on the substance of any proposal with members of the panel will result in automatic exclusion from the competition.

Any further procedural enquiries may be addressed to: the Editorial Team at jepop@exeter.ac.uk or to Associate Editor Professor Sylvia Kritzinger (sylvia.kritzinger@univie.ac.at).