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Dipartimento
**Scienze Politiche
e Sociali**

SEMINAR

IR & AREA STUDIES

The Balkans

The main objective of the seminar is to lead the students towards the acquisition of basic comprehensive and analytical tools for socio-political contexts from the Balkan region. By starting with an introductory session, where there will be a discussion over the most crucial dynamics involving the area, the following sessions are to study diverse facets of Political Science directly applied to the region. Some of the disciplines covered by experts from the field will address topics such as ethnic conflicts, peacebuilding and stabilization processes, comparative politics and democratic backsliding. The choice of participants was conceived on the basis of maximum inclusiveness: in addition to an expert from the Italian academy, two other prominent names were chosen coming directly from the region which, in addition, also boasts great experience abroad.

There will be a total of **four meetings** lasting **two hours** each. They will take place according to the following programme:

- *Introductory module:* Angelica Vascotto, Università di Trieste – **4th of April 2024**
- *Module 1:* Damir Kapidžić, University of Sarajevo, currently Visiting Scholar at Harvard University – **18th of April 2024 (online)**
- *Module 2:* Carlotta Mingardi, Università di Bologna – **2nd of May 2024**
- *Module 3:* Dario Čepo, University of Zagreb – **9th of May 2024 (online)**

The modules will take place in **hybrid mode in English**. The recipients of this initiative are all students enrolled in **Political Science courses** (Trieste and Gorizia campuses), both **undergraduate and graduate**.

To qualify **for CFU**, students must attend all meetings and submit a final report on one of the topics covered.

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