



*Announcing the twelfth edition of the conference*

## **BELGIUM: STATE OF THE FEDERATION**

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Vereniging voor Politieke Wetenschappen

### **Call for papers**

After the 2022 conference wonderfully organised by our colleagues from the Vrije Universiteit Brussel, we are glad to invite you to the twelfth edition of the State of the Federation. The SoF has now become a very awaited event among our community as it remains a good opportunity for researchers from both sides of the linguistic border to discuss, debate and reflect together on political sciences. The next edition of this yearly conference will take place on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024. Exceptionally, the SoF will therefore not be organized in the last week before the winter break. Indeed, this year, the State of Federation will be organized conjointly with the triannual conference of the Association belge francophone de science politique – which will take place from 31 January until 2<sup>nd</sup> February. While this breaks with tradition, we also believe that it will make this edition particularly unforgettable.

Since its creation, the State of the Federation has grown as a key event for Belgian and Belgian-based political scientists (but also for some international scholars), with high-quality panels and interventions as well as with motivated and engaged researchers. We hope that this twelfth edition of the conference will once again be a welcoming opportunity to come together to present and discuss the results of political science research on the Belgian politics and administration. We welcome papers dealing with any aspect of politics in Belgium. Topics could include: electoral and party politics, federalism and institutional reform, participation and representation, public policies and administration or Belgium's international and European politics. Papers could examine all levels of the polity (local, regional, federal, European and international).

Please submit your abstract(s) of max 200 words at [info@absp.be](mailto:info@absp.be) by **5 November 2023** at the latest.

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