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Associated Researcher at CegeSoma

What is an associated researcher?

CegeSoma is the Belgian centre of excellence for the history of 20th century conflicts. Its research activities focus on Belgium, but from a European and global perspective.

At universities and other academic institutions, historians, but also sociologists, political scientists, art historians, philologists, psychologists, economists and anthropologists study the many aspects of these conflicts. Beyond academic circles, the subjects are also of interest to journalists, persons active in the field of educations, amateur researchers, etc.

Contact with these young and not so young scholars is of great importance to CegeSoma. Thus, the creation of a Belgian network for the 'history of 20th century conflicts' is one of the key missions of the institution.

The statute of **associated researcher** has been created precisely for his purpose: to build a flexible network for academic and non-academic researchers alike.

In this way, a group of interested persons can remain in contact with the academic staff of the institution. The main goal is to exchange information and expertise, in time perhaps leading to further collaboration.

How to become an associated researcher?

Candidates should submit their applications to the head of the Academic Activities Sector, Dr. Nico Wouters (nico.wouters@cegesoma.be). This motivated application, in which the current research project should be described, must be accompanied by a curriculum and a list of publications. A copy of recent publications should also be included.

The staff meeting of CegeSoma will evaluate the application and it will send a motivated answer to the candidate-researcher.

What can the associated researcher expect in return?

- CegeSoma communicates about the activities of the associated researchers, for example through its website.
- The institution offers academic guidance to the associated researchers and supports them in their applications for consultation of specific sources not open to the public.
- The institution offers the researchers a yearly member card and the possibility to reserve a table in its reading room.

Which conditions must the associated researcher meet and what can he/she expect in return?

- The associated researcher explicitly agrees to respect the professional ethics of the researchers of CegeSoma. In particular, he/she accepts to respect and apply the legal dispositions with regard to the protection of privacy (law of 8 December 1992 – Moniteur Belge of 18 March 1993, modified by the law of 11 December 1998 – Moniteur Belge of 3 February 1999ⁱ) and to have acquainted themselves with the contents of the brochure of the Privacy Commission ‘*How to Implement the Privacy Act in Historical Research*’ and to act accordinglyⁱⁱ.
- The associated researcher accepts to mention ‘Associated researcher CegeSoma’ in every publication related to the research topic.
- The associated researcher sends us a copy of any such publications.
- The associated researcher accepts to take part once yearly in a day of exchanges with the academic team of the institution. He/she will then report on his/her research results, problems and perspectives.
- When problems arise concerning these conditions, CegeSoma can always withdraw any individual associated researcher statute

ⁱ http://www.privacycommission.be/sites/privacycommission/files/documents/CONS_wet_privacy_08_12_1992.pdf

ⁱⁱ <http://www.privacycommission.be/sites/privacycommission/files/documents/01.02.01.05-vademecum-historisch-onderzoek.pdf>