

CALL FOR CHAPTER

Mediterranean economies 2024

"The New Agenda for the Mediterranean: Perspectives and Challenges"

Edited by Salvatore Capasso and Giovanni Canitano

Dear Academics and Experts,

We are pleased to announce a call for papers for Mediterranean economies 2024, a thematic book exploring key aspects of the new and ambitious Agenda for the Mediterranean, recently launched by the European Commission and the High Representative.

Context:

The Mediterranean is a region of great geopolitical, economic, cultural and environmental relevance, but also of deep tensions, conflicts and inequalities. The health, social, political and economic crisis caused by several dramatic events such as the COVID-19 pandemic, the Russian-Ukrainian and Israeli-Palestinian conflicts, combined with a significant increase in inflation, has exacerbated the vulnerabilities and fragilities of this area, but has also opened new spaces for dialogue, cooperation and integration among the riparian countries.

In this context, the European Parliament perceived the need to foster a renewal of the partnership with the Southern Neighborhood, rethinking and relaunching a new agenda for the Mediterranean, addressing the challenges and seizing the opportunities of the 21st century, with a view to sustainable development, social inclusion, human security and multilateralism (19 April 2021).

This initiative spans five broad areas of focus, dealing with crucial issues such as human development, economic resilience, migration, green transition, and peace and security.

Objective of the Book:

This yearbook edited by Salvatore Capasso and Giovanni Canitano, twenty years after its first release, aims to offer a multidisciplinary and up-to-date reflection on the main issues affecting the Mediterranean, with a focus on the following themes:

- Regional governance and relations between the European Union and the southern and eastern Mediterranean countries.
- Demographic, migration and human mobility dynamics
- Economic, social and cultural transformations
- Environmental and climate challenges and adaptation and mitigation strategies
- Conflicts, crises and threats to peace and security



The initiatives for cooperation, dialogue and cohesion among civil societies and cultures

In particular, the book aims to explore in depth the different dimensions of the European Parliament's Mediterranean Agenda, analysing its challenges, opportunities and expected impacts on the region.

We are interested in contributions that address the issues listed, considering the various subtopics of Agenda Interest:

1. Human Development and Good Governance:

- Education and Vocational Training
- Reforms in public administration
- Human rights and accountable governance

2. Economic Resilience and Digital Transition:

- Resilient and Sustainable Economies
- Economic connectedness and digital transformation
- Economic inclusiveness and innovation

3. Migration and Mobility:

- Challenges of Irregular Migration
- Legal and safe routes to migration
- Socio-economic impacts of mobility

4. Green Transition:

- Green growth and climate action
- Energy transition and energy security
- Resource efficiency and biodiversity

5. Peace and Security:

- Supporting countries to address security challenges
- Solutions to regional conflicts

Guidelines for Contributions (full editorial standards will be sent to accepted authors):

Expected Extent: 5,000 - 7,000 words

Structure: Introduction, Methodology (if applicable), Results/Analysis, Conclusions

Citation Style: APA



Submission Procedure:

Prospective authors are invited to submit original, unpublished manuscripts (written in British English) from a wide range of disciplines; an interdisciplinary approach is also strongly encouraged. The call welcomes theoretical and empirical studies using a range of methodologies, including qualitative, quantitative, mixed and multi-methods. Prospective authors should provide a structured abstract (i.e., aims - methodology - results - originality - limitations - implications) of no more than 500 words. Authors should also submit a brief bio-sketch (job title, department, university name, research interests or recent publications and results obtained) (up to 100 words). Please note that acceptance of the abstract does not necessarily guarantee publication of the full manuscript submitted. All manuscripts will undergo a double-blind review process. Please email your abstract proposal to giovanni.canitano@ismed.cnr.it.

Selected authors should submit the full chapter, of up to 7,000 words, by March 30, 2024.

The book will be published by il Mulino publishing house by the end of 2024 and indexed in Scopus.

Key dates

The editorial schedule is as follows:

Dec. 30, 2023: submission of a structured abstract including aims - methodology - results - originality - limitations - implications (up to 500 words). The author(s) should also submit a brief biographical sketch (up to 100 words).

January 15, 2024: notification of acceptance of abstract

March 30, 2024: submission of the full article

April 30, 2024: notification of acceptance and peer review report (double-blind)

June 15, 2024: submission of the final version

September 30, 2024: publication in the book

For further information, please contact the editors at the following e-mail address:
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Thank you for your interest and contribution to this crucial discussion on the future of the Mediterranean in advance.

Best regards