The International Society for Political Psychology (ISPP) has a longstanding commitment to protecting scholars who are under threat due to their research or political views, among other types of threats academics face in different contexts. To support these scholars, ISPP has developed a number of initiatives and resources, including a dedicated committee on Scholars Under Threat (SUT), which seeks to identify and assist scholars who are facing persecution, harassment, or censorship.

This webinar brought together several members of ISPP and the Scholars Under Threat committee who discussed the idea behind establishing this committee and the existing initiatives. Current and former president of ISPP and SUT committee talked about the importance of assisting scholars at risk and explained the aims of the Twinning program which was designed to facilitate scholarly collaboration between threatened scholars (e.g., political scientists and psychologists) and the program partners. These collaborations can offer the opportunity for threatened scholars to continue their academic activities, maintain and advance their careers, and integrate into international academic networks. Importantly, two former members of the Twinning Program shared their experiences within this program. Finally, we talked about tips on how to provide remote affiliation.

This webinar is open to anyone who may identify as a scholar at risk, but also to those who are interested in getting involved.

Speakers:

Former president of ISPP and SUT committee: Prof. Eva Green

Former SUT committee lead: Prof. Anna Kende & Dr. Yasemin Gülsüm Acar

Twinning scholars: Dr. Mete Sefa Uysal & Dr. Orhan Kaya

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