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## A Comparative Analysis of the International Relations of Sub-State Governments in Europe and North America

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The presentation will first discuss the creation of a "paradiplomacy" research group within the International Studies Association, with the intent of developing monographs devoted to the theoretical framework, methodology, comparative analysis, and best practices of sub-state governments engaged in international relations. The next part of the presentation will focus on changes in the international system which have encouraged sub-state governments to expand their international outreach. The core of these changes would be the "triple combination" of globalization, unprecedented technology change, and Schumpeter's "creative destruction." The next section in the presentation will be a comparative analysis of the U.S. states, Canadian provinces, and Mexican states in North America, and Bavaria, Catalonia, Flanders, and Scotland in Europe. The final part of the presentation will pinpoint best practices and discuss how sub-state international relations may evolve in the future.



Free attendance. Registration is required. **Venue:** Room 24.104. Mercè Rodoreda building UPF Ciutadella Campus. Ramon Trias Fargas, 25–27

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