

# Call for Book Proposals

## Publication on the “Understanding of Central and Eastern Europe and unveiling the geopolitical landscape from an Indian academic point of view”

The India Office of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) is pleased to announce a call for proposals for a publication on the hitherto under-explored topic of "**Understanding Central and Eastern Europe and unveiling the geopolitical landscape from an Indian academic point of view.**"

### Objective

Russia's invasion of Ukraine has not only dramatically reshaped the post-Cold War European security order but has also re-written the historic entanglements between the countries of Central Europe and Eastern Europe (CEE). The viewpoints and history of the countries of the former Soviet Union or so to say those between Moscow and Berlin are often overlooked or under-represented in India's domestic discourse. Hence, the publication would serve to shed light on their geopolitical significance, exploring the evolving dynamics in the region as well as their cultural sensitivities in view of their long-standing struggle with their location between two big European powers. Poland for example made the historic experience to being divided by Germans and Russians four times only since 1772. Furthermore even the Russian government is referring to these historical experience Poles made with Katharina II or Josef Stalin. After Germany ended being a threat since 1945, the war in Ukraine brought back old memories in CEE countries. Central Europe and Eastern Europe is since centuries an area of colonial wars. These are stories of colonial experience under-researched in India till now. The publication-related research would also provide an opportune moment to examine the deeper-rooted legacies of colonialism and could help address vital questions such as: "From where do the current fears of Moscows colonialism come from?" or "What are the historic divides between Russia and Ukraine? Russians and Latvians? Russians and Poles?" or why NATO the so called "expansion" of NATO is seen as an anti-colonial alliancement by the CCE NATO members?

### Guidelines

1. Theme: Understanding Central and Eastern Europe and its (historic) geopolitical scope from an Indian academic point of view.
2. Deliverables: Manuscript of roughly 200 pages.
3. Manuscript Composition: The manuscript may include chapters on various topics, but it should not resemble a compendium consisting of different articles. The number of authors should not exceed three.
4. Target Group: The targeted group includes scholars, students, policymakers, researchers, and individuals interested in Central and Eastern European affairs.
5. Expertise: Please provide details of the of the applicant's expertise in the field of Central and Eastern European affairs.
6. The book must be published and sold by a publisher in print with an ISBN number.

## **Proposal Submission**

Proposals should be submitted via email to Simran Dhingra ([simran.dhingra@kas.de](mailto:simran.dhingra@kas.de)) and Ashish Gupta ([ashish.gupta@kas.de](mailto:ashish.gupta@kas.de)) no later than 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023. Please use the subject line: "Book Proposal - Central and Eastern Europe".

The proposal does not have to be longer than one page.

We look forward to receiving your innovative proposals and collaborating to deepen our historic and present day understanding of the CEE region.