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## CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

# A New Region of Europe: Regional Development Paradigms in the Baltic-Black Sea Intermarum

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The Center for Advanced Study and Education (CASE)
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania

November 26-27, 2010 Vilnius, Lithuania

**Application deadline July 7, 2010** 

European Humanities University (Vilnius, Lithuania), <u>Vytautas Magnus University</u> (Kaunas, Lithuania) and the <u>Konrad Adenauer Foundation</u>, in cooperation with <u>The Center for Advanced Studies and Education (CASE)</u> and the <u>Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania</u>, request submissions for an international conference, *A New Region of Europe: Regional Development Paradigms in Baltic-Black Sea Intermarum*, which will be held November 26-27, 2010 in Vilnius.

The goal of the conference is to address the question of what represents "the new region of Europe" formed in the process of political and historical evolution on the territory between the Baltic and Black Seas. This space represents qualities of a new social and geographical environment that requires the development of particular methods of enhancing knowledge on social and political processes occurring here in the context of spatial planning, as well as monitoring those changes in the social and humanitarian environment.

"The new region" represents a group of states most frequently, and imprecisely, known as "post-Soviet". These countries are taking part in diverging processes of integration which determine new boundaries of this region, at the same time confirming its existence vis-à-vis regional approaches to resolving socio-political problems which could be solved only within the boundaries of the whole region but not separate nation-states. In the framework of the concept of "the new region of Europe", the research of economic, legal and political processes here become extremely important. At the same time this social space has a history of distinctive cultural and civil practices that create the most important foundations of political and social processes.

The quality of human geographical and local environments determines, in turn, transborder and regional processes. The development of modern regional systems and the opportunity to study the specific nature of mobility processes (social or political, economic transformations and cultural evolution) in the Baltic-Black Sea region of Europe represent unique sources of knowledge about trends of the development of modern social systems.

We are especially interested in submissions that address the following topics:

- Integration and trans-border relationships in the Baltic-Black Sea region;
- Energy security in the Baltic-Black Sea region;
- Regional policy in the states of the Baltic-Black Sea region;
- Cosmopolitan Europe: memory policy, migratory processes and transformation of the institution of citizenship in the states of the Baltic-Black Sea region.

### **Eligibility:**

Researchers, politicians and experts from all EU countries and Belarus, Ukraine, Russia, Moldova.

# Languages of the Conference:

Russian and English

In exceptional cases abstracts may be submitted in local languages of the states of the Baltic-Black Sea Region of Europe with translations to Russian and/or English.

# **Application Form Submission:**

Conference participants are invited to send an <u>application form</u>, abstract of 250 words (max.) and curriculum vitae by e-mail to: <u>intl.conference@ehu.lt</u>.

Conference application form: <a href="http://www.kas.de/wf/doc/994-1442-2-30.doc">http://www.kas.de/wf/doc/994-1442-2-30.doc</a>.

Abstract submission deadline: July 7, 2010.

Notification of accepted applications: July 20, 2010.

Papers that conform to the publication rules will be subsequently printed in the conference publication. If you are interested in this publication please send your materials by **October 15**, 2010. General rules for the full paper publication:

- Paper length should not be more than 40,000 printed characters (including references, graphics and tables)
- MS Word; font Times New Roman; font size 14; line spacing 1.5; field width 2; per-page footnotes.

# **Organizing Committee:**

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### Terms and Conditions:

No registration fee

Conference organizers will cover costs for participants' accommodation and meals.

European Humanities University will assist participants in obtaining visas.

## **Conference Program:**

The conference program will begin on November 26, 2010 at 9:00. Please plan your trip so that you arrive in Vilnius on November 25, 2010 and leave on November 28, 2010.

Contact us for further information: intl.conference@ehu.lt