

## Invitation

### The Balkans Dialogue Conflict Resolution and EU Accession Politics in the Balkans and Turkey

International conference organised by the Institute for Cultural Relations Policy in cooperation with Kodolányi János University of Applied Sciences and Dialogue Platform Association

Budapest, Hungary 8-9 February, 2013

**Conference topics:** Political, economic and legal aspects in ethnic and national minority conflict resolution. Impacts of European Union accession policies/processes. Emerging security challenges.

**Conference location:** KJU Budapest Campus, (1139) Budapest, Frangepán utca 50-56.

**Programme summary:** Deputy prime minister of Hungary, Dr. Tibor Navracsics is invited to hold the opening speech. Conference days consist of lectures by invited speakers (including Ambassadors Gordan Grlić Radman, Darko Angelov and Željko Janjetović of Croatia, Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Peter Andras Sztaray, Hungarian Deputy State Secretary for Security Policy) as well as presentations of guest speakers and Q&A sessions. Best presentations will be selected by a panel of judges and awarded during the closing ceremony. Submitted and confirmed papers will be published online and will be archived on DVDs. The main language of the conference is English (English and Hungarian for guest speaker applicants).

#### How to apply for participation?

The application is a two-step procedure and it includes the submission of [Registration Form](#) to [conference@culturalrelations.org](mailto:conference@culturalrelations.org) and payment of registration fee (30 EUR). Deadline of submission & payment: 25 January, 2013.

#### How to apply for English (or Hungarian) paper presentation?

The application is a two-step procedure and it includes the submission of [Registration Form](#) to [conference@culturalrelations.org](mailto:conference@culturalrelations.org) and payment of registration fee (60 EUR). Deadline of submission: 4 January, 2013. Authors will be notified of conditional acceptance or rejection within 5 working days after submission. Registration fee shall be paid by bank transfer or cheque prior to event or at the same time as first day registration.

Further details and registration forms are available on ICRP webpage:

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**Aims:** this interdisciplinary and cross-cultural meeting welcomes presentations on the political science, sociology, laws, history and economics research and cross border cooperation within the Balkans region and Anatolia. The conference is supported by three institutes and aims to serve as a meeting point to facilitate the public exposure of the perspectives and interests of different communities, governments, international organisations, NGOs, businesses, scholars, thinkers and common citizens.

**Benefits of attending:**

- The opportunity to present your research within a unique forum and collaborate with experts from wider regions and around the world;
- Conference papers/abstracts are peer-reviewed by members of ICRP international Advisory Board;
- Published papers in electronic format (Proceedings available on DVD and ICRP website, where they will remain accessible to thousands of researchers and practitioners worldwide);
- Get in touch with different views and new approaches;
- A chance to promote your research by presenting it to relevant people and organizations (active politicians, decision-makers, diplomats);
- To get more knowledge about foreign relations of the Balkan countries and Turkey.

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*Vladimer Papava: Former minister of economy of Georgia, senior fellow at Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies (GFSIS)*

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**Conference themes:**

(Possible directions may include, but are not restricted to, the following)

- Cultural and Political Approaches (Country Analysis);
- Regional Development, Transformation Processes, Regional Identities;
- Geography & Governance;
- Diplomacy and Interstate Relations in the Balkans;
- Social Change, Ethnic and Social Issues;
- National and Ethnic Minority Question;
- Diaspora and Kin-state Policies;
- European Union Pre-accession Strategies;
- Economic Processes and International Commerce;
- Interfaith Dialogue, Contemporary Islam in the Balkans;
- Legal Problems of International Relations, International Law Issues, Border Disputes;
- International Conflict Resolution, Regional Security Issues;
- Tendencies and Policies for International Migration. Refugee Resettlement.

Submitted abstracts will be evaluated by an international reviewing committee.  
Authors will be notified of conditional acceptance or rejection within 5 days after submission.

**The event targets a broad spectrum of undergraduate, PhD student, candidate, lecturer and researcher participants, recognising the multidisciplinary of research in international relations and other related disciplines.**

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**Abstracts and oral presentation:**

- *Papers are invited on the topics outlined and others falling within the scope of the meeting. Abstracts of no more than 3,000 characters. Abstracts should clearly state the purpose, results and conclusions of the work to be described in the final paper.*
- *Paper of no more than 40,000 characters. Abstracts should be sent by e-mail at the following e-mail address: [conference@culturalrelations.org](mailto:conference@culturalrelations.org)*
- *20 minutes for presentation. Q/A session: 15 minutes maximum.*
- *Use Microsoft PowerPoint for your presentation.*

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