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## **British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES) Regional Conference**

in conjunction with

## **Leibniz ScienceCampus “Eastern Europe – Global Area” (EEGA) Results Conference**

### **Globalising Eastern Europe – New Perspectives on Transregional Entanglements**

**16–19 September 2020, Leipzig**

Organised by EEGA and BASEES in cooperation with the Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), and the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Osteuropakunde e. V. (DGO), both Berlin.

**Call for Panels: 15 November–31 December 2019**

**Call for Papers: 1 January–31 March 2020**

#### Abstract

Following the first successful Regional Conference in Uppsala, Sweden, the British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES) organises its second Regional Conference in cooperation with the Leibniz ScienceCampus “Eastern Europe – Global Area” (EEGA) in September 2020, in Leipzig, Germany. Under the theme “Globalising Eastern Europe – New Perspectives on Transregional Entanglements”, we seek to stimulate and discuss research on these border-crossing encounters in a comparative perspective. Aiming to stimulate a debate about interpretations across historical periods and geographical spaces, the conference brings together perspectives and case studies from a variety of disciplines. In thematic panels, round table discussions and interactive workshops dedicated to knowledge transfer and innovative science communication, about 100 international junior and senior scholars present their research on Eastern Europe, an area spanning from Poland in the West to Russia in the East, to the Balkans and the Caucasus in the South, in its global and transregional entanglements. A PechaKucha Night for young researchers will open the interdisciplinary exchange on 15 September at ZOiS (Berlin).

#### Call for Panels

Eastern Europe has been a subject of academic interest for a long time, and innovative research has been undertaken to address various facets of the region’s historical and recent development from many perspectives. Eastern Europe can be conceived of as an assemblage of diverse regions with diverging interest and orientations, its unity as merely constructed, both from within and outside. Numerous scholars have addressed Eastern Europe’s role in international relations, its impact on the circulation of ideas and cultural patterns, its contribution to a long history of migrations as well as its position in transregional trade and the division of labour. The current debate about globalisation, however, has influenced research on these issues. Now, the BASEES regional conference aims to connect Eastern European studies with the study of global processes, both historical and recent, following the research aims and agenda of the Leibniz ScienceCampus “Eastern Europe – Global Area” (EEGA). Traditional area expertise is brought together with recent trends in the fields of global history and

transregional studies. At the centre of the conference is the question as to how Eastern European societies are positioning themselves in and towards global processes and conflicts. The dynamics of global integration and stakeholders advocating this development are of particular interest here. Individual papers will raise the question of a specific Eastern European experience and position in a globalising world. The conference focuses on the various scales at which border-crossing processes can be observed. At the same time, it explores processes such as migration and mobility, economic networks and political integration as well as intercultural perspectives and identities, applying concepts of minority positions, practices and narratives of inclusion. During the four-day conference, academics from geography, history, area studies, linguistics, law, religious studies, cultural studies and political science will discuss topics such as:

- Self-Positioning of Eastern Europe
- Youth: Attitudes, Participation and Transnationalism
- Global Influences on Cultural Identifications in Eastern Europe
- National Education and Globalized Academic Standards
- Mobilities and Migration Regimes in Eastern Europe
- Border Regimes and Border Experiences
- Eastern Europe in Processes of Regionalisation and Globalisation
- Economic and Regional Development under the Global Condition
- Governments and Governance
- Populist Movements and Forms of Authoritarianism

#### Submission:

BASEES, EEGA and the cooperating partners invite academics, especially at PhD and postdoc level, to submit panel proposals (incl. title, abstract of max. 350 words, names and e-mail addresses of convenor, panellists and discussant, paper titles, and CV of main organisers) through the online submission form at <https://www.leibniz-eeqa.de/>. Proposals can be submitted until **31 December 2019**. The selection will be made by an international programme committee in January 2020. The authors of panel proposals will be notified of the result shortly after.

Please note, that we will publish a call for individual papers on 1 January, see [here](#). The deadline for submission is **31 March 2020**.

In addition to thematic panels and single papers that address the issues described above, EEGA invites colleagues from academia and the media to discuss how these highly relevant questions can be transferred into the public debate, especially with regard to Eastern Europe and its global interdependence. For further information on knowledge transfer workshops and application/registration procedures see [here](#).

#### Costs:

For participation fee we offer an early-bird rate: four-day attendance 75 EUR (full); 25 EUR (students). The early bird rate ends on 31 April 2020. Standard rates are 100 EUR (full); 50 EUR (students).

Successful applicants for panels and individual papers are eligible to apply for one of the scholarships provided for excellent researchers (postgraduate, postdoc and advanced scholars) via the online-portal [here](#). Scholarships are provided by both EEGA and ZOiS. The Call for Applications for scholarships opens 1 February 2020.

Unfortunately, we cannot provide additional travel grants, but will organise accommodation suiting different needs and financial situations.