

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

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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 Applications – Postgraduate and Postdoc Scholarships

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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 Applications – Postdoc and Postgraduate Scholarships

BASEES, EEGA and the cooperating partners invite high-profile academics at postgraduate and postdoc level to submit applications for one of the scholarships for outstanding and innovative research. Scholarships are provided by the Leibniz ScienceCampus EEGA and by ZOIS.

a) EEGA Scholarships

The scholarships provided by the Leibniz ScienceCampus EEGA are granted for the phase of preparation, participation in the conference, and finalisation of a working paper (four weeks in total, starting from 1

September 2020). Participation in the BASEES Regional Conference is binding. The funding period may not be exceeded.

Eligible scholars must have been accepted with their conference panel/paper. Applications comprise of the paper/panel abstract, a discussion of its relevance for the conference theme, proof of acceptance, and CV of the applicant. Women and severely disabled applicants with equal qualification and aptitude will be given preferential consideration.

Scholarships awarded by EEGA are explicitly output-oriented. Successful applicants are obliged to conceptualise, write and finalise a working paper for a joint publication (open access; special issue or edited volume) related to the conference theme. Papers should disclose novel paths and promising perspectives for research on a Global Eastern Europe, and demonstrate the relevance of interdisciplinary approaches to the field. Draft working papers (8,000–10,000 words) are to be submitted to the programme committee by 15 December 2020. Failure to submit the paper will lead to the discontinuation of the scholarship. Repayments will be claimed.

Together with the board of editors of the publication, the committee steers the editing and publication process. They decide upon the acceptance of submissions for publication and organise the peer-review process.

Grants are based on the current rates for research fellowships of the German Research Foundation (DFG). They are intended to cover the recipients' costs related to the conference participation, including travel, accommodation, and conference fee. No additional funds and no support for visits in the context of individual research projects unrelated to the conference will be provided. Scholarships may not be used to supplement grants from other funding organisations or income from employment.

The Call for Applications for scholarships opens 1 February 2020 and applications can be submitted until 15 May 2020 via e-mail to eega-leipzig@basees.org.

An international committee selects the scholarship holders in May 2020. In advance of the scholarship, a formal scholarship agreement will be signed by the ScienceCampus EEGA and the scholarship holder.

b) ZOIS Scholarships

As part of the BASEES Regional Conference and EEGA Results Conference 2020, the Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOIS) is organising a PechaKucha Night for young researchers on 15 September in Berlin. The Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOIS) is an independent, international and interdisciplinary research institute. It focuses on social science research on Eastern Europe and shares the results with policy-makers, the media and the wider public.

ZOIS invites PhD students and Postdocs who have been accepted as paper-givers at the EEGA/BASEES conference to present their research in a PechaKucha style presentation at the Centre on the day before the official opening of the conference. A PechaKucha presentation consists of 20 slides with images showing for 20 seconds each. It is an efficient and fun way to convey key ideas of your research to a diverse audience – just right to kick off the interdisciplinary conference experience in Leipzig. The event will be followed by a reception, allowing time to network with other presenters and connect with researchers based at ZOIS and other academic institutions in Berlin and Brandenburg.

Researchers can apply by submitting an abstract of their presentation, which can be on the topic of the BASEES/EEGA paper or they focus on an aspect of it. For those selected to participate in the PechaKucha Night, ZOIS covers the costs of one night's accommodation on 15 September in Berlin and the (return) train ticket Berlin-Leipzig. The application is possible starting from 1 February, the deadline is 30 April 2020. The application (abstract and CV) has to be submitted via e-mail to info@zois-berlin.de (Ms. Anja Krüger). The 20 slide PechaKucha presentation has to be submitted by 31 August 2020 at the latest to the same address.

In addition, researchers from Eastern Europe, the South Caucasus and Central Asia whose paper has been accepted for the conference can apply for travel grants covering their accommodation and travel expenses for the whole BASEES/EEGA regional conference.

The Call for Applications for these travel grants also opens 1 February 2020 and applications can be submitted until 15 May 2020 via e-mail to info@zois-berlin.de (Ms. Anja Krüger). Further information on the PechaKucha event and ZOIS travel grants can be found [here](#).

An international committee selects the scholarship holders until the end of May 2020. In advance of the scholarship, a formal scholarship agreement will be signed by ZOIS and the scholarship holder.