

# ***THE THIRD ROMANIAN-BULGARIAN-HUNGARIAN-SERBIAN CONFERENCE***

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## **Geographical Research and Cross-Border Cooperation Within the Lower Basin of the Danube**



Srebrno jezero (Veliko Gradište) – Serbia, 18-21<sup>th</sup> September 2014

*Dear Colleagues,*

*On behalf of the organizing committee, we are pleased to invite you to “The third Romanian-Bulgarian-Hungarian-Serbian Conference” referring to the Danube lower basin, which will be held in Srebrno jezero (Veliko Gradište), Serbia. The meeting is hosted by the Faculty of Geography (University of Belgrade) and Faculty of Sciences, Department of Geography, Tourism and Hotel Management (University of Novi Sad).*

*The roots of this conference go back to the year 2000, when the regional conference “Geographical environment and cross-border cooperation within the Danube lower basin”, was organized by the University of Craiova, Romania, gathering geographers and other researchers from European countries that shared their experiences, knowledge and research results about all aspects of geography.*

*In 2010, the Geography Departments of the Universities of Craiova and Timisoara organized the first conference and in 2012, the Department of Economic and Social Geography from the University of Szeged organized the second conference.*

*In 2014, the Faculty of Geography (University of Belgrade) and Faculty of Sciences, Department of Geography, Tourism and Hotel Management (University of Novi Sad) are entitled with the honourable opportunity to organize **the third Romanian – Bulgarian – Hungarian – Serbian conference**, in Srebrno jezero (Veliko Gradište, Serbia).*

*The main goals are, to bring together geographers and institutions from the countries within the Danube lower basin and establish a working group to promote sustainable measures for the cross border cooperation and national phenomena.*

*We hope that you will be able to accept our invitation, and join us for what promises to be an interesting and fruitful meeting.*

*We are looking forward to welcome you and your colleagues in Srebrno jezero (Veliko Gradište, Serbia).*

**On behalf of the International Scientific Advisory Committee,**  
Ph.D. Slavoljub Dragičević, Associate Professor

## COMMITTEES OF THE CONFERENCE

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## AIMS

This interdisciplinary and cross-cultural meeting welcomes presentations on geographic research and cross border cooperation within the Danube lower basin.

The event targets a broad spectrum of participants, recognizing the multidisciplinary research in geography and other related disciplines.

The conference aims to:

- *present the status of scientific approaches within the Danube lower basin*
- *bring together scientists, academics, practitioners with a view to strengthening and promoting the cross-border cooperation*
- *discuss the role of geographical research in cross-border issues*
- *establish a working group that should meet every year to address this issues.*

## CONFERENCE THEMES

1. APPLIED GEOGRAPHY
2. CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION IN THE CENTRAL AND SOUTHEAST EUROPE REGIONS
3. ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
4. GEOGRAPHICAL EDUCATION
5. GEOGRAPHY AND GLOBAL CHANGE
6. GEOGRAPHY AND EU STRATEGY FOR THE DANUBE REGION
7. GIS, LANDSCAPE ANALYSIS AND LANDSCAPE PLANNING
8. HAZARD AND RISK
9. LAND USE, LAND COVER CHANGE AND LAND DEGRADATION
10. LOCAL AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT
11. POPULATION AND SETTLEMENT GEOGRAPHY
12. SUSTAINABLE TOURISM POLICY, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
13. GEOGRAPHY OF TRANSPORT IN THE FRAMEWORK OF EU STRATEGY FOR THE DANUBE REGION

## BENEFITS OF ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE

- The opportunity to present your research within a unique forum and collaborate with experts from wider regions and around the world.
- A chance to promote your research by presenting it to relevant people and organizations.
- Conference participants will be invited to submit an extended version of their paper to the following scientific journals:
  - *Bulletin of the Serbian Geographical Society* ([www.sgd.org.rs/sr\\_page/glasnik.html](http://www.sgd.org.rs/sr_page/glasnik.html))
  - *Geographica Pannonica* (<http://www.dgt.uns.ac.rs/pannonica.html>)
  - *Forum Geografic - Geographical studies and environment protection research* ([www.forumgeografic.ro](http://www.forumgeografic.ro))
  - *Bulletin of the Faculty of Geography* (<http://www.gef.bg.ac.rs/magazines/view/6/Zbornik-radova>)
  - *Migration and Ethnic Themes* ([www.imin.hr/casopis-met](http://www.imin.hr/casopis-met))
- Conference Abstracts/papers will be peer-reviewed by members of the International Scientific Committee.
- Abstracts will be published in electronic and hard copy format, and made available to the international scientific community.
- The conference will be an opportunity for strengthening the cooperation between the institutions within the region.
- Participants will have the chance to know the geographic realities better through field trips.

# PRELIMINARY AGENDA

The programme comprises plenary presentations, parallel sessions and poster sessions.

The third Romanian-Bulgarian-Serbian-Hungarian conference is not just about listening to geographers and other researchers from the countries in the Danube lower basin. It is also about engaging them in new and unique ways. The format, based on an interactive sharing of thoughts between participants and speakers, will serve as a springboard for the development of a sound, cohesive cooperation policy.

Each session consists of two types of specific formats.

**Presentations:** Each session contains 10 minutes presentation for specific topical perspective.

**Roundtable Panels:** After the presentations are concluded, the speakers involved in that session will join the members of the Scientific Advisory Committee for a free-flowing, one-hour panel discussion about the challenges and future trends for the sustainable cooperation within the lower basin of the Danube. As part of that roundtable discussion, audience members will be asked to nominate and establish the work group and its Steering Board that should meet every year to address this issue.

## Thursday, the 18<sup>th</sup> of September 2014. – HOTEL DANUBIA PARK

17:00 - 19:00 – Registration

19:00 – Welcome and cocktail

## Friday, the 19<sup>th</sup> of September 2014. – HOTEL DANUBIA PARK

08:00 - 09:00 – Registration

09:00 - 09:30 – Opening Ceremony

09:30 - 11:30 – Plenary Session

11:30 - 12:00 – Coffee break

12:00 - 13:30 – Sessions 1, 2 and 3

13:30 - 14:30 – Lunch break

14:30 - 16:00 – Sessions 4, 5 and 6

16:00 - 16:15 – Coffee break

16:15 - 17:00 – Sessions 4, 5 and 6 (continue)

17:15 - 19:00 – Conclusions at Touristic boat route

20:00 – Conference feast

\*09:00 - 17:00 – Poster presentations

## Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2014. – FIELDTRIP

09:00 - 18:00 – Fieldtrip\* with lunch

\*Fieldtrip route: *Golubac fortress at the entrance to the Iron Gate; Djerdap gorge; Lepenski vir - one of the most important prehistoric sites in Europe from the period between 6000 -7000 BC; The natural stone bridge Šuplja stena; Rajkova cave; Copper and gold mine in Majdanpek.*

## Sunday, the 21<sup>th</sup> of September 2014. – HOTEL DANUBIA PARK

09:00 - 12:00 – Official sightseeing and departure

## PARTICIPATION FEE

**Early registration fee** for participation in the Conference is 60€/Person and 40€/M.Sc.-Ph.D. Student.

**Standard registration fee** for participation in Conference is 80€/Person and 50€/M.Sc.-Ph.D. Student.

**Field trip fee** is 40€/Person.

**Participation provides:** participation at the Conference, Conference Book, Welcome cocktail, Coffee breaks, Touristic boat route, Conference feast, Conference Certificate, Conference and promo materials.

**Field trip fee** includes: Transport, Entrance fees and Lunch.

All the fees mentioned to be transferred on the bank account of the Faculty of Geography:

**SWIFT - BIC:** NBSRRSBG

**Name:** National Bank of Serbia

**Street:** Nemanjina 17

**City, Country:** 11000 Belgrade, Republic of Serbia

**Beneficiary**

**IBAN/ Account Number:** RS35908504100000782104

**Company name:** FACULTY OF GEOGRAPHY

**Street:** STUDENTSKI TRG 3

**City, Country:** Beograd (Stari Grad), REPUBLIC OF SERBIA

After payment done, please send us a bank receipt on the following email address [danube2014@gmail.com](mailto:danube2014@gmail.com). If you transfer the money by bank, do not forget to indicate the Conference participation and Field trip on the payment.

For participants from Serbia fee may pay in domestic-dinar currency on the bank account of the Faculty of Geography: **840-1816666-75**, purpose of payment: **konferencija 2014**. The amount is valid for the middle exchange rate (the National Bank of Serbia) of Euro on the payment day.

For any further information about paying do not hesitate to contact us at [danube2014@gmail.com](mailto:danube2014@gmail.com)

## ACCOMMODATION

The organizing committee members are pleased to announce **specialy negotiated rates for conference delegates** at the **Hotel Danubia Park** on the 18-21<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

Participants should fill out the Hotel Reservation Form and send it to: [office@danubiapark.com](mailto:office@danubiapark.com) by 1<sup>st</sup> May 2014. A **limited number of rooms** have been reserved for the conference delegates at the *Danubia Park Hotel*. Early registration is suggested.

Use of fitness and wellness center in Danubia Park Hotel is free of charge for hotel guests, except for massages (1.100-2.200 RSD) which should be scheduled at the Hotel reception.

Hotel Danubia Park	Until May 1, 2014	After May 1, 2014
<b>Full board accommodation in single room/Person/Night</b>	50 EUR	56 EUR
	5.840 RSD	6.360 RSD
<b>Full board accommodation in double room/Person/Night</b>	39 EUR	42 EUR
	4.440 RSD	4.785 RSD

Information about **Hotel Danubia Park:** [www.srebrnojezero.com](http://www.srebrnojezero.com)

Telephone No. Reception: +381 12 719 50 72, +381 12 719 50 73, +381 12 719 50 74

## ABSTRACTS

Abstracts with no more than 300 words should be submitted until the **1<sup>st</sup> of May 2014**.

Abstracts should clearly state the purpose, results and conclusions of the work to be described in the final paper.

Abstract should be sent by e-mail at the following e-mail address: **danube2014@gmail.com**

Technical details of the abstract:

*Example:*

### **Analysis of the Temperature Characteristics and Trends in Novi Sad Area (Vojvodina, Serbia) (16pt, bold)**

**Lazar Lazić<sup>1</sup>, Stevan Savić<sup>1</sup>** (12pt, bold)

<sup>1</sup> Climatology and Hidrology Research Centre, Faculty of Science, University of Novi Sad, Trg Dositeja Obradovića 3, 21000 Novi Sad, Serbia; stevan.savic@dgt.uns.ac.rs (Times New Roman 12pt)

#### **ABSTRACT**

Not longer than 300 words. Place it after general information about the author/s. (Times New Roman 12pt)

#### **KEY WORDS**

Not more than 7 words.

## ORAL PRESENTATION

Prepare a 10 minutes presentation to allow time for your introduction and questions from the audience, which are very important in your 20 minute time slot.

Use Microsoft PowerPoint for your presentation.

Deadline for Microsoft PowerPoint presentation submission: the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2014

Microsoft PowerPoint presentations have to be sent to the e-mail: **danube2014@gmail.com**

## POSTER SESSION

Each presenter will be provided with a poster panel.

Poster Development Tips:

- Dimension of the poster is A1 format.
- The presentation should cover the same material as the submitted abstract.
- Place the title of your paper prominently at the top of the poster.
- Place 10x10cm text box with author(s) name, institution and contact information in the lower right corner of the poster.
- Highlight your title and subheadings with colours or coloured lines.
- Do not crowd too much information on the poster; concentrate on 2 or 3 main points.
- Minimize complete sentences and paragraphs.
- Prepare all diagrams or charts neatly and legibly in a size sufficient to be read at a distance of 2 meters. Use squares, rectangles, circles, etc. to group like ideas.
- A serif font (e.g. Times) is often easier for reading main text, and a non-serif font (Arial, Helvetica) is suggested for headers and figure labels.

## IMPORTANT DATES

**First Call** – 15<sup>th</sup> November 2013 (re-call – 15<sup>th</sup> January, 1<sup>st</sup> March and 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014)

**Early registration starts** – 15<sup>th</sup> November 2013

**Deadline for submitting abstracts for papers and posters** – 1<sup>st</sup> May 2014

**Notification of results of abstract reviews** – 20<sup>th</sup> May 2014

**Second Call** – 1<sup>st</sup> June 2014 (with provisional conference programme)

**Deadline for early registration fee payment** – 1<sup>st</sup> May 2014

**Deadline for regular registration fee payment** – 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014

**Third Call** – 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 (with final conference programme)