



CALL FOR PAPERS:

First International Conference for Young Scholars of Russian Studies

Alternatives, Turning Points and Regime Changes in Russian History and Culture

May 19-20, 2014.

The conference is organized by the Center for Russian Studies' Doctoral Program at the Eötvös Loránd University. We invite graduate students and postdoctoral researchers from the field of history, social sciences, law and all other fields of humanities to participate in the conference.

The aim of the conference is to provide an opportunity for dialogue between young researchers from different countries and cultures to discuss the "eternal questions" that have divided Russian and European scientific and popular opinion for centuries. Is Russia a part of Europe? Can the Russian system only be reformed from above? What are the "original characteristics" of Russia's development? Is Russia still a great power? Are there any lessons learnt from Russia's history that are still relevant today?

The conference provides a platform for participants to share and discuss their ideas and the results of their research in an interdisciplinary forum.

The panels will be organized based on the topics of the accepted abstracts.

Further information concerning participation:

- **Date of the conference:** May 19-20, 2014.
- **Conference location:** Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Humanities. 1088 Budapest, Múzeum körút 4, 6-8.
- **Arrival in Budapest:** May 17, 2014. Participants are invited to attend a cultural outing in Budapest on May 18. (Further details coming soon.)
- **Cost of participation:** 30 Euros for all presenters.

The cost covers the registration fee and part of the cost of publishing a collection of essays after the conference, as well as the cost of lunch during the conference. Please transfer the registration fee by **March 10, 2014** to this account: **10402166-49565551-57541019; IBAN: HU30 1040 2166 4956 5551 5754 1019; SWIFT: OKHBHUHB** (Alapítvány az Orosz Nyelvért és Kultúráért - Foundation for Russian Language and Culture), with the subject line: **rusconf2014**.



Authors will be notified about the acceptance or rejection of their abstracts by **February 20, 2014**.

Submitting your abstract:

- Deadline for submission: January 19, 2014.
- Language: English or Russian.
- Length: 2000 characters (including spaces).
- Format: please follow the format indicated in the attached template (Attachment 1). Please include your CV when submitting your abstract.

For the presentation of accepted contributions, **20-minute slots** will be allotted, followed by 10 minutes of discussion.

We ask authors of accepted abstracts to **send us their completed essays in English or Russian** on the topic of their presentation by **the beginning of the conference**. The essays will be published in a Collection of Studies by the end of 2014. The required length for the essay is at least 15000 and at most 20 000 characters (including spaces). The required format can be viewed in the attached document (Attachment 2).

We will revise the material presented at the conference, so we ask the participants to adhere to the deadline.

Please send applications for participation, travel- and accommodation-related funds and any other comments to the following address: rusconf2014@gmail.com.¹

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Organizing committee (graduate students): Annamaria Kiss, Szilvia Nagy, Orsolya Pósfai, Orsolya Szaniszló.

Co-organizer: Foundation for Russian Language and Culture.

¹ For further information regarding technical details (travel, accommodation), see Attachment 1.