DRC Newsletter March 2016

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Dear subscribers to the DRC Newsletter! Although it is April Fools' Day, our March newsletter has two very serious announcements: registration for the Annual Conference in Krems is now open and early bird registration for the DRC Summer School is still possible! Find further news from the DRC and our partners as always in our latest edition below.

Feedback and comments are welcome!

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1. Save the date: DRC Annual Meeting Krems 9.-11. November 2016



The Annual Meeting will be held at the Danube University Krems 9.-11. November 2016.

We are very glad to announce that the European Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy, Johannes Hahn, will be amongst the speakers of our conference with the title:

"Vision, Knowledge, Prosperity

The Universities' Contribution to Implementing the EUSDR – Good Practice and Challenges"

Registration is now open on our website.

# 2. 13<sup>th</sup> DANUBE RECTORS' CONFERENCE SUMMER SCHOOL ON REGIONAL CO-OPERATION

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#### Early bird registration still possible until April 10!

"Post-Socialist Transformations in the Danube Region - 25 Years After the Collapse of the Soviet Union"

# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Each year, the DRC Summer School is hosted by a different university and therefore offers a variety of settings. The combination of expert lectures in the morning and workshops held by experienced scholars using innovative methods in the afternoon will give you the chance to:

- Present your research
- Exchange with other academics from the Danube Region
- Publish an article in our DRC Summer School Book series

Every edition of the DRC Summer School is a unique experience. The topics are selected in relation to current and historical events, offering a broad variety for social scientists. A field trip complements theory and brings perspectives outside of the seminar room to the group. Furthermore, you will experience the vibrant atmosphere of this year's host city Prague during our social programme.

## Become part of the broad alumni network of the DRC Summer School!

#### Workshop items

- 1. Conflicts and security
- 2. Regionalization across the Danube countries
- 3. The prerogative of internationalization in Higher Education in the Danube Region
- 4. Changing landscape of political culture and political socialization: Challenges and possibilities for civil society in the post-soviet space

Applications for participation may be handed in by e-mail or fax until **June 5**, **2016** and should include the application form, the CV of the applicant and an abstract max. 2 pages of the paper that shall be presented in the framework of the Summer School.

The registration fee of the Summer School is EUR 200.-, the contribution to the expenses for board and accommodation is EUR 230.-

Please note that it is possible to apply for a scholarship on board and accommodation as well as on a partial travel reimbursement (limited to EUR 100.-).

The participants are selected by a jury taking into account the guidance of the presidency of the Danube Rectors' Conference (DRC). The successful participation of the DRC Summer School will be granted with 10

ECTS points by the University of Pécs, Faculty of Humanities.

Applications to: Mr. Zoltán Vörös, IDResearch Ltd. Tel.: +36-30-709-7491 Fax: +36-72-522-624, E-mail: voros@idresearch.hu

Apply here

# 3. New DRC Facebook Page



We are implementing a new Facebook page for the DRC. Please like us at the link below:



#### 4. DRC Permanent Committee

Thank you very much for your feedback concerning the Permanent Committe!

We still need appointments from the following countries:

- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Croatia
- Germany
- Italy
- Moldova
- Serbia
- Slovakia
- Slovenia

Information about the Permanent Committee is available on our website.

Should you have further questions and/or would you like to represent your country, please send an <u>email</u>

## 5. CfN: Danubius Young Scientist Award 2016

The Danubius Award was created in 2011 by the Austrian Federal Ministry for Science, Research and Economy (BMWFW) and the <u>Institute for the</u> <u>Danube Region and Central Europe</u> (IDM) with the intention to honor persons with extraordinary achievements in their scientific activity and output in relation to the Danube Region.



Nominations will be accepted in electronic format and in English language only.

Nominations including all relevant documents have to be sent to: a.winkler@idm.at

More information and the call for nominations can be found here.

## 6. CASEE Newsletter March 2016

CASEE was founded in 2010 upon the initiative of the University of Natural

Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, and involves Life Science Universities in Albania, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Croatia, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Serbia, Ukraine and Austria. It aims to support the development of the EU Strategie for the Danube Region to strenghten research, education and University Development inthis region and to develop joint research, educational and other projects. To open the newsletter, click <u>here</u>.

# 7. Danube:Future Knowledge Base now available

# Danube:Future

Danube:Future, the EUSDR PA 7 Flagship networking project, endorsed by DRC, announces a new tool available for all scholars interested in sustainability issues of the Danube Region.

The Danube:Future Knowledge Base is a **dynamic database**. It is updated regularly and is made available to supporting researchers, universities, institutions, enterprises, regional or local administrators, or politicians. It is available **open access**, ensuring that the outputs of sustainability oriented research, development and general relevant information is available to universities, organizations, civil society institutions or other involved parties.

Knowledge Base services comprise:

MEMBERS: Scholars and praticioniers can share their expertise

PUBLICATIONS: English abstracts of relevant publications new and old published primarily in other languages than English

WIKI: The Danube WIKE can become the most comprehensive information portal on sustainability-related information on all aspects of sustainability.

PROJECTS: Share information on both existing and those in the identification/formulation phases.

The first part made available PUBLICATIONS, where relevant publications pertaining to sustainability in the Danube Region can be shared. Sustainability research is often

done on a local level, and results are not available in English. Sustainability research is also long-term research, thus e.g. literature of the 1920s or 1930s or even older is interesting. Such publications are for instance on Google Books, but without language skills, such material remains inaccessible. You are invited, indeed encouraged to make your own research available via this service!

Further details are available at: http://danubefuture.eu/danubefuture-knowledge-base

#### 8. EUA Affiliate Status and EUA Newsletter

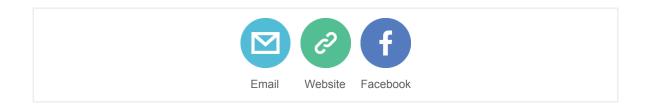
We are continuously strengthening and expanding our network. Since November 2015, the DRC is affiliate member of the <u>European University Association</u>.

If you are interested in their news and activities, please follow the link.

#### 9. PRESENTATION OF DRC MEMBER UNIVERSITIES

We offer the opportunity in each newsletter to present one DRC member university. A template for this information to be provided can be found in the <u>intranet</u>

If you want to present your university in the next newsletter, please send filled out template to info@drc-danube.org



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