Dear subscribers to the DRC Newsletter! Registration for our Annual Meeting is ongoing and we are looking forward to see you in Krems! In this edition we have again interesting opportunities for students and scholars. We kindly ask you to spread it in your networks. Thank you very much!

Feedback and comments are welcome!

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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 and further information can be found on our website.

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2. The 5th Young Scholars Forum (YSF) on Central- and South East Europe

„Challenges and Opportunities of Migration in and from South East Europe“

Aims of the project:

- Promoting and encouraging young scholars to engage with Central and South East Europe;
- Presentation of research by young scholars to a wider public;
- Exchange among young and more advanced researchers on topics, methods, sources and results;
- Networking;
- Furthering mobility within the region;
- Publication of contributions and results;
Target group:
Max. 30 Young scholars working on Central and South East Europe in the fields of cultural studies, history, anthropology, media studies, political sciences, geography and sociology.

Date and venue:
The symposium will take place December 01-03, 2016 in Vienna.

Programme:
- Presentation of research papers/projects by high level experts and young scholars;
- (Plenary) discussions;
- Social and cultural programme;

Applications:
Applications for participation may be submitted via e-mail by May 30, 2016 and have to include a full academic CV and an abstract (max. 1 page) of the research paper that shall be presented and discussed at the symposium.

Language: English

Participation fee: € 100,-
Costs for travel expenses (up to €200), board & accommodation will be reimbursed by the IDM.

Further information and the CfA can be found here.

Please send applications to:
Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM)
Mag. Sebastian Schäffer, MA
e-mail: s.schaeffer@idm.at
phone: +43-13197258-32

Academic coordinator: Vicerector Univ.-Prof. Dr. Heinz Faßmann, Applied Geography, Spatial Research and Spatial Planning at the Department of Geography and Spatial Research at the University of Vienna

3. 13th DANUBE RECTORs’ CONFERENCE SUMMER SCHOOL ON
“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**

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**4. New DRC Facebook Page**

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

[DRC - Danube Rectors’ Conference](http://us10.campaign-archive2.com/u=77da7b4f3e8e4d0eff287aa6f&...
5. DRC Permanent Committee

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

We still need appointments from the following countries:

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

Information about the Permanent Committee is available on our website.

6. 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 Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (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.

7. 30th EFFoST International Conference

Targeted Technologies for Sustainable Food Systems
The 30th EFFoST International Conference will be held in Vienna, Austria from 28-30 November 2016 under the theme: Targeted Technologies for Sustainable Food Systems. The conference will be organized by the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU) on behalf of the European Federation of Food Science and Technology.

Conference Topics

**Abstract Submission Deadline:** 20 May 2016

Oral and poster abstracts are now invited on the following topics. They should be submitted using the online abstract submission system. The deadline for submissions is 20 May 2016.

- Emerging agricultural concepts and use of new raw materials for sustainable food production
- Water management and resource efficient food processing in the Danube region and beyond
- Food safety - analysis, control and prevention of microbial and chemical contaminants in food
- New paths for targeted food processing - design of new and re-evaluation of traditional techniques and ingredients
- Non-thermal technologies and process combinations - analytic approaches and mechanistic insights
- Food and health - food composition, structure design, digestion and ingredient bioavailability, gut microbiome
- Sensor technology and quality monitoring during processing and storage
- Modeling and simulation of food matrix properties and processing technologies
- Food consumer science - sensory perception, emerging consumer needs and expectations
- Microencapsulation for food applications - special topic endorsed by BRG
- Food security and sustainability in the perspective of cereals and grains - special topic endorsed by ICC

The theme of the conference and the topics reflect the demand for sustainable food systems to address specific consumer needs and preferences. The availability of targeted technologies is one critical bottleneck for product innovations leading to environmentally friendly food processes and the introduction of scalable and flexible food manufacturing techniques.

The 30th EFFoST International Conference will explore solutions to current and future challenges such as food and water security, sustainable agriculture, food...
safety, convenience and health derived from the targeted application of appropriate food- and bio-processing technologies also taking into account economic and ethical aspects. The river Danube and the whole Danube region as a guiding theme for the conference will reflect some of above mentioned challenges and science based technological solutions in particular.

We are looking forward to making the 30th EFFoST International Conference an important scientific event that will bring together researchers, scientists, engineers, policy makers, professionals and students from multidisciplinary food related fields to: inspire a cross fertilization of new knowledge, ideas and applications; to promote networking and collaboration; to enhance academia and industry synergism in the quest for sustainable food innovations for the global economy and society.

8. 22nd Summer University of Hungarian Language and Culture at Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest in summer 2016

Dear Partner,

The organisers of the Summer University on Hungarian Language and Culture at Eötvös Loránd University prepared a present for those who are interested in Hungarian language and culture this spring. If you use the attached Spring voucher for your friend or family member at our summer university course in Budapest (1 – 26 August 2016) before the 30th April 2016, you can get a 20 % discount off the course fee (EUR 464 instead of EUR 580).

For more information about the program and courses of the summer university, please visit our website: www.elte.hu/en/summer_university_hungarian.
9. GO STYRIA SCHOLARSHIP at University of Graz 2016/17

We would like to make you aware of the Go Styria call that has been launched. The Go Styria call for the winter semester 2016/17 is now open:


Please note that the scholarship scheme allows for applications to undertake RESEARCH stays at the University of Graz for the following target groups:

MASTER / DOCTORAL students and POST-DOCs!

Details on eligibility criteria, application process and documents can be found on the program website.

MASTER / DOCTORAL student eligible under the new guidelines of the program (see website) are requested to send the relevant information needed to receive the application code (listed on program website) to christa.grassauer@uni-graz.at.

POST-DOCs eligible to apply under the new guidelines, please contact Mr Blaz Ploj: blaz.ploj@uni-graz.at with any questions left unanswered after carefully reading the information on the website.

PROGRAMM-Deadline (receiving deadline für paper application): 29 April 2016
10. Scholarship: Summer School "Alternative Economic and Monetary Systems"

The OeAD in cooperation with the IDM is giving away a scholarship for the new Summer School Alternative Economic and Monetary Systems! This program (27.07.-14.08. 2016 in Vienna, 5 ECTS, completely in English) is open to students of all fields and covers alternatives to the processes and developments that are putting strains on economic, ecologic and social boundaries. In addition to new and classical concepts from the field of economic sciences, you will also hear up-to-date scientific data from natural and social sciences and be able to have a level-headed discussion of economic and monetary reform while asking: What is our leeway? With the scholarship you can join the program for the reduced price of EUR 390,- (instead of EUR 1,390,-) and live three weeks in one of Austria’s most modern dormitories! A report about last years’ class can be found here.

Apply Now

(Please enter “IDM” into the field „Scholarship reference” at the bottom of the page.)

11. EUA Affiliate Status and EUA Newsletter

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

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

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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