CALL FOR PAPERS

International Conference History as an Instrument of Contemporary International Conflicts

Cracow (Poland), 25-27 October 2018

Events from the past, most often related to wars, violence and violation of rights of some social groups by others, are sometimes used in present times as an instrument of international conflicts. By looking at contemporary international relations one may get the impression that the number of conflicts in which a specific historical narrative is employed has been increasing. Accordingly, the convenors of this conference are convinced that by raising this subject-matter one has to resort to methods and acquis of a number of disciplines like political sciences, history, international relations, sociology, social anthropology, social psychology etc. Thus, the organizers wish to:

- identify and compare conflicts of this kind;
- propose a typology of such conflicts;
- verify and interpret the thesis on the alleged increase of these conflicts in the world today;
- comprehend political, social, and psychological functions of historical conflicts;
- engage in an attempt to analyze them by using social science methods;
- familiarise ourselves with methods of solving conflicts in which history is employed as an instrument:
- indicate means to overcome traumatic historical experiences that have burdened international relations even decades later:
- discuss further directions of evolution of studies on conflicts in which history is used as an instrument.

Guidelines for authors and important dates

- You are kindly requested to send in abstracts up to 300 words in English as well as a short biographical sketch. The Programme Council of the conference reserves itself a right to select the papers according to the conference concept.
- Abstract and any other correspondence concerning the conference should be sent to history_conflicts@up.krakow.pl

• Deadline for submission: 15 July 2018

Notification of acceptance: 31 July 2018

Conditions for participation in the conference:

- The conference organizers will provide accommodation and catering as well as the possibility to participate in activities accompanying the conference.
- The conference organizers **do**, **however**, **not** cover the costs of travel to Cracow, Poland, and back.

Supporting Institutions

- Pedagogical University of Cracow [www.up.krakow.pl]
- Leibniz Institute for the History and Culture of Eastern Europe (GWZO), Leipzig [http://research.uni-leipzig.de/gwzo/]
- European Network Remembrance and Solidarity [www.enrs.eu]
- Paweł Włodkowic Institute, Wrocław
- German-Polish Science Foundation, Frankfurt/Oder

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