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Day 1: November 14 (Thursday)

10:30-11:30 Registration and badge pickup desk, coffee and tea

Main Lobby, Faculty of Social Sciences, Lauvas iela 4, Riga

11:30-13:00 The conference's opening ceremony and keynote speeches

Berlin's auditorium

Opening words: Prof. Janis Ikstens (University of Latvia)

Keynote speaker 1: Dr Aleksandar Fatic (University of Belgrade) The language game of Europe: identity, politics and the divided subjects.

Dr Aleksandar Fatic is a prolific author and teacher with a long history of involvement in high-level training programs for anti-corruption policies and corruption theories, business ethics and criminology. He has worked in university settings, various governments, and inter-governmental organizations. His research interests include applied ethics, political philosophy, and criminal justice theory and policy.

Keynote speaker 2: Inta Mierina (University of Latvia) Contributing to public goods and safeguarding collective resources: challenges in insights from East-Central Europe

Inta Mierina, is an Associate Professor at the Faculty of Social Sciences University of Latvia, and the director of the Centre for Diaspora and Migration Research. Recently she was the editor of the Human Development of Latvia "Creation of Public Good and Safeguarding Collective Resources". I. Mierina has been involved in a number of large-scale European research projects and is acting as an expert of the European Commission. She has held several scholarships, including the Fulbright Scholarship and Laureate of the Little Phoenix Prize of the European Academy of Sciences Her main research interests concern migration, nationalism and far-right attitudes, inequality, participation, trust and community involvement.

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:00 Session (I)

REFLECTIONS ON THE EP ELECTIONS 2019

Chair: Visvaldis Valtensbergs (University of Latvia)

Room: Berlin's auditorium

Ingrida Unikaite-Jakuntaviciene (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)

2019 EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT ELECTIONS IN LITHUANIA: HOW MUCH EUROPEAN ARE THEY?

Martins Pricins (University of Latvia) FROM EUROPEAN IDEA TO NATIONAL INTERESTS: CAMPAIGN OF LATVIAN POLITICAL PARTIES ON FACEBOOK DURING EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT ELECTIONS 2019

15:00-15:30 Coffee and tea break

15:30-17:00 Session (II)

EUROPEAN IDEA AND NATIONAL AGENDA

Chair: Juris Rozenvalds (University of Latvia)

Room: Berlin's auditorium

Renars Felcis (University of Latvia) DYNAMICS OF FOREST OWNERS' ORGANIZATIONS IN LATVIA AFTER JOINING EU: LEVELS OF CHOICE IN DECISION MAKING

Aleksandra Kuczynska-Zonik (Institute of Central Europe Poland) RUSSIAN-SPEAKERS IN LATVIAN POLITICAL SECURITY DISCOURSE

Kristiana Diana Bebre (University of Latvia) THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN (INTER)NATIONAL SOCIAL DRUGS RESEARCH & POLICY - WHAT WE KNOW & WHAT WE DO?

Day 2: November 15 (Friday)

09:30-11:00 Parallel Sessions (III)

<p>INTERNAL AND INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION IN AN ERA OF MOBILITY: INTERACTIONS, KNOWLEDGE GAPS AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS</p> <p>Chair: Elina Apsite-Berina and Maris Berzins, (University of Latvia) Room: 206</p>	<p>DIPLOMACY IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION: THEN AND NOW</p> <p>Chair: Didzis Klavins (University of Latvia)</p> <p>Room: 216</p>
<p>Elina Apsite-Berzina (University of Latvia) HOW CAN LATVIA ATTRACT AND RETAIN HUMAN RESOURCES: THE CASE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN LATVIA</p> <p>Janis Krumins, Maris Berzins, Zaiga Krisjane (University of Latvia) GEOGRAPHIC PATTERNS OF INTERNAL MIGRATION: EVIDENCE FOR ETHNIC GROUPS IN LATVIA</p> <p>Juris Paiders (University of Latvia) PROJECTED CHANGE IN THE NUMBER OF INHABITANTS OF LATVIA IN THE EVENT OF THE STABILIZATION OF EMIGRATION</p> <p>Sigita Sulca (University of Latvia, Central Statistical Bureau of Latvia) RETURN FOR CHILDHOOD: COMPARATIVE REGIONAL STATISTICAL ANALYSIS IN LATVIA</p>	<p>Katarzyna Szwed (University of Rzeszow, Poland) E-RESIDENCY IN THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA</p> <p>Joakim Ekman (Södertörn University, Stockholm, Sweden) GEOPOLITICAL ORIENTATIONS IN THE BALTIC STATES</p> <p>Didzis Klavins (University of Latvia) INNOVATION DIPLOMACY IN THE NORDIC AND BALTIC COUNTRIES</p>

11:00-11:30 Coffee and tea break

11:30-13:00 Parallel Sessions (IV)

<p>INTERNAL AND INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION IN AN ERA OF MOBILITY: INTERACTIONS, KNOWLEDGE GAPS AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS</p> <p>Chair: Elina Apsite-Berina and Maris Berzins, (University of Latvia) Room: 206</p>	<p>THE DILEMMAS AND CHALLENGES TO SOCIAL ACTIVITY AND PUBLIC GOOD CREATION</p> <p>Chair: prof. Aija Zobena (University of Latvia) Room: 216</p>
<p>Margarita Kairjaka, Maris Berzins (University of Latvia) URBAN GENTRIFICATION AS A MIGRATION PROCESS: EVIDENCE FROM RIGA, LATVIA</p> <p>Liga Feldmane (University of Latvia) CORRELATION BETWEEN RESIDENTIAL SATISFACTION AND INTENTION TO MIGRATE: CASE OF JELGAVA</p> <p>Toms Skadins (University of Latvia) MOBILITY IN THE PERIPHERY OF RIGA AGGLOMERATION</p>	<p>Anita Stasulane (Daugavpils University, Latvia) CULTURAL HERITAGE AND IDENTITIES OF EUROPE'S FUTURE: ENHANCING CULTURAL AND INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCE OF YOUNG EUROPEANS</p> <p>Diana Kalnina (Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia) HIGHER EDUCATION AND FINANCIAL STABILITY - PRECONDITIONS FOR SOCIAL ACTIVITY IN LATVIA</p> <p>Baiba Ivane-Kronberga (University of Latvia) BUILDINGS OF A PUBLIC LIBRARIES OF LATVIA IN A CONTEXT OF LOCAL STUDIES: PAST, PRESENT AND PERSPECTIVE</p>

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:30 Parallel Sessions (V)

<p>THE COMPLEXITY AND CHALLENGES OF CURRENT TRENDS IN EUROPEAN SOCIAL POLICY</p> <p>Chair: Baiba Bela and Liga Rasnaca (University of Latvia) Room: 206</p>	<p>LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE EDUCATION IN EU CONTEXT: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES IN BALTIC STATES</p> <p>Chair: Zinaida Manzuch (Vilnius University) Room: 216</p>
<p>Sigurt Vitols (European Trade Union Institute, Germany) THE GREAT ENLARGEMENT: WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR ECONOMIC DEMOCRACY IN THE A10 COUNTRIES?</p> <p>Juris Krumins, Atis Berzins (University of Latvia) NET MIGRATION VERSUS NATURAL INCREASE: FACTUAL DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS AND EXPECTED SCENARIOS</p> <p>Liga Rasnaca (University of Latvia) FRAGMENTATION OF THE LATVIAN SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM: THE CASE OF SENIORS IN PRE-RETIREMENT AGE</p> <p>Leonardo Mellace (University of Catanzaro Italy) REFLECTING ON EUROPE</p>	<p>Zinaida Manzuch (Vilnius University, Lithuania) LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE (LIS) EDUCATION IN EU CONTEXT: LITHUANIA</p> <p>Baiba Holma, Daina Pakalna (University of Latvia, Faculty of Social Sciences) LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE EDUCATION IN EU CONTEXT: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES IN BALTIC STATES</p> <p>Sandra Cirule (University of Latvia) SMALL RURAL LIBRARY AND LOCAL COMMUNITY: ATTENDANCE, ASSISTANCE, IDENTITY</p>

15:30-16:00 Closing remarks/Farewell