

**9th DRC (Danube Rectors' Conference) Summer School on Regional Co-operation
1-8 July 2012
Maribor, Slovenia**

***“Challenges for the European Union in the Next Decade –
A View from the Danube Region”***



CALL FOR APPLICATION

Dear Colleagues,

The Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM), Vienna,
IDResearch Ltd (IDR), Pécs
the Faculty of Humanities, University of Pécs
and the University of Maribor
are organizing the ninth Summer School on Regional Co-operation
under the intellectual sponsorship of the Danube Rectors' Conference

Aims of the project:

- to enhance awareness for the significance and possibilities of regional co-operation
- to discuss and develop strategies for the improvement of co-operation in the region
- to bring young scientists from countries of the Danube Region and Central Europe together to establish a regional scientific network within the European Research Area
- to foster relations between the partner universities of the Danube Rectors' Conference and with other regional actors
- to prepare a sustainable series of events to be able to meet the tasks mentioned above
- to promote the mobility of young scientists, especially in South East Europe

Initiators and main organisers:

Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM), Vienna
Mag. Dr. Susan Milford, Managing Director

IDResearch Ltd. (IDR), Pécs
Dr. István Tarrósy, Managing Director

Co-organisers:

Faculty of Humanities, University of Pécs
University of Maribor



Target group:

- Max. 30 young scientists from the Danube Region and Central Europe
- Graduates who want to present their research projects to the students of the Summer School in the lectures
- Interested individuals from regional organisations, public administration and scientific institutions

Time frame and location:

The Summer School will take place between 1 – 8 July 2012 at the University of Maribor, Slovenia.

Workshop items:

- 1) Migration: Brain Drain and Brain Circulation
- 2) Environmental and Economic Challenges: A Chance for Sustainable Development?
- 3) Research and Education: Opportunities to foster (Inter)regional Co-operation
- 4) EU enlargement: Limits and Chances

Working methods:

- Lectures by high level scientists, young graduates and experts (politicians, civil servants, representatives of regional organisations, NGOs, EU officials)
- Presentation of Best Practice projects
- Presentation of papers prepared by the participants
- Discussion in parallel workshops
- Presentation of the results of each working group and plenary discussion

Working language is English.

The results of the Summer School will be published in a Proceedings Volume.

Applications:

Applications for participation may be handed in by e-mail or fax and should include the application which will be online on: <http://www.drcsummerschool.eu>, 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 participants are selected by a jury taking into account the guidance of the presidency of the Danube Rectors' Conference (DRC).



Details of application:

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

The deadline for application is June 5, 2012, after the acceptance of your paper the registration and board and accommodation fees have to be paid by June 20, 2012. Please find more details on the application form.

Early Bird registration:

Starting this year, there is a possibility to register as an 'Early bird'. If you submit your paper and application form before April 1, 2012, you pay only half (50%) of the registration fee.

After the acceptance of your paper the registration (EUR 100.-) and board and accommodation fees have to be paid by April 15, 2012. Please find more details on application form etc. on drcsummerschool.eu/earlybird.

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Programme (6 working days):

Sun, 1 July	Arrival, First Meeting
Mon, 2 July	Opening Session (Welcome, Presentation of last year's Proceeding Volume), Keynote Addresses, Introduction to the Workshops
Tue, 3 July	Plenary Lectures, Workshops
Wed, 4 July	Social Programme
Thu, 5 July	Plenary Lectures, Workshops
Fri, 6 July	Field Trip
Sat, 7 July	Presentation of the Workshop Reports, Closing Session, Concluding Results and Farewell Party
Sun, 8 July	Departure

Follow Up:

In addition to the special section on the DRC homepage (www.d-r-c.org) which has been reserved for the Summer School project, all information on the DRC Summer School can be found on: <http://www.drcsummerschool.eu>.

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