



INVITATION TO SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE 01-02 JUNE 2023

CONFERENCE TOPIC

Regional resilience in the face of global uncertainty



CONFERENCE TOPIC BACKGROUND

Europe is in a stage of significant transformations with global and regional dimensions including political, economic, migration, social, environmental, and other transformations. The consequences of the global COVID-19 pandemic have not yet been overcome, and there are already additional challenges. Geopolitical, technological and economic rivalry has grown into an open military conflict on the territory of Europe, the consequences of which are ahead and require a clear assessment, while at the same time creating uncertainty in Southeast Europe.

Bulgaria and its regions have their place and participation in these processes. In our country, there is a need for political security and predictability. Bulgaria must fulfill its role as a regional leader and a source of political and geostrategic stability. BARI puts these public topics into discussion through scientific regional analysis.

Keywords of the conference are – priorities, resilience, integrity

The conference is included in the list of events organized on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Faculty of Geology and Geography of Sofia University

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The main topic will be examined through the perspective of four main conference directions.

Section 1 - Social and economic challenges to regional resilience

Main directions for discussion:

- Global Economic Studies
- Regional economic analyses and forecasts
- Adaptation and sustainability of cities and regions
- Town-Village Relations Perspectives and Challenges
- Regional dimensions of green and digital transformation

Section 2 - Global and regional population migrations and the sustainable future of the EU.

Main directions for discussion:

- Demographic transition, population, migrations and mobility
- Demographic Challenges to Cities and Rural Areas
- Social cohesion, regional disparities and social infrastructure
- Methods of regional population analysis and migrations

Section 3 - Natural potential and nature use of the transition to a circular and climate-neutral economy

Main directions for discussion:

- Climate and economy, climate neutrality
- Nature use and natural potential
- The European Green Deal – Just Transition and Sustainability
- Green Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Smart specialisation and circular economy

Section 4 - Security and sustainability of the political map of Europe.

- Geopolitical and political geographical analyses
- The regional security category – theoretical and practical dimensions
- The political boundary – the limit of power?

Host of the conference:

***Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski" Kliment Ohridski",
Faculty of Geology and Geography***

Conference fees

Each author of a paper pays a fee of 50.00 BGN

Each subsequent co-author pays 35.00 BGN

PhD students: 35,00 BGN

The fees shall be transferred no later than 26.05.2023.

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Reason: Conference fee 2023

**Conference papers will be published in a special a special proceeding.
(e-book) of the University Press "St. Kliment Ohridski"**

Important dates:

03.05.2023 – Sending an abstract and registration form.

12.05.2023 – Confirmation of registration by the Scientific Committee

26.05.2023 – sending the final program of the conference by dates and sections

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