# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Contemporary Security Paradigms and Challenges: Theory and Practice

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Dear colleagues,

It is our great pleasure to announce that on its **40**<sup>th</sup> **anniversary**, the Institute for Security, Defense and Peace, at Ss. Cyril and Methodius University, organizes an international conference entitled *Contemporary Security Paradigms and Challenges: Theory and Practice*. The event will be held on 18-19<sup>th</sup> September 2015 in Skopje.

The aim of this event is to bring together scholars from Macedonia and abroad for an exchange of views and perspectives on the most important security-related issues for the world in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Given the complex research interests and the curricula that have been developed almost simultaneously in the fields of security, defense and peace studies, the idea is to put forth an interdisciplinary approach with a dialogue among disciplines and various schools of thought. Among a vast list of possible topics to be discussed, we propose the following:

- At the Age of 40: Synergy or Rivalry among Security, Defense and Peace Studies?
- The Cutting Edge in the Classroom: Innovative Teaching on Security, Peace and Defense
- The Multidisciplinary Nature of Peace Studies: Blessing and Curse
- Defense debate: Dialectics and Transformations
- The Privatization of Security
- Civil Society, Identity, and Conflict in the Post-Communist States
- Dealing with the Past and Reconciliation in post-Yugoslav Space
- Dealing with Rising Multipolar World
- EU Perspectives of the Western Balkan Countries
- EU as a Global Actor
- The Securitization of Migration
- Gender Perspectives on Peace and Security
- Macedonia and Its Current International Relations
- Macedonia's Internal Security Challenges
- New Research in Terrorism: Motivations and Responses
- World Civil Society, Social Movements, and Change
- From Politics to Protests: Quo Vadis, Democracy?
- Media, War, and International Relations
- Global Eco-Politics
- Interculturalism and Peace
- Human Rights and Humanitarian Interventions

Given your commendable academic achievements and knowledge, we are convinced that your participation will enrich the debate. We would be honored to have you as a speaker and/or paper presenter. The deadline for submission of a short abstract (500 words max.) is 31 March 2015. Conference papers will be published in a special volume.

We are making special efforts to welcome you in Skopje and in that respect; we provide full board and accommodation to our foreign colleagues. Unfortunately, given the unfavorable economic situation at our University, we are unable to cover travel expenses too.

For any further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Program Secretary, Dr. Tanja Milosevska, <a href="mailto:tmilosevska@gmail.com">tmilosevska@gmail.com</a> or bom.fzf.ukim.edu.mk

On behalf of the Conference Program Committee Respectfully yours,

Prof. Dr. Biljana Vankovska

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# DEADLINES FOR APPLICATION AND SUBMISSION OF PAPERS

Application of the topic and submission of abstracts by 12 April 2015 Notification about the acceptance of the paper topic 30 April 2015 Submission of final papers by 1 September 2015 Reviewing procedure by 15 September 2015 Conference dates 18 and 19 September 2015 Proceedings in electronic version by 31 December 2015