

Call for Papers

WARSAW EAST EUROPEAN CONFERENCE  
SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

organized by

The Centre for East European Studies, University of Warsaw  
(Studium Europy Wschodniej Uniwersytetu Warszawskiego)

Where are we?

POST-COMMUNIST AND POST-SOVIET COUNTRIES  
OVER THE PAST TWENTY YEARS

University of Warsaw  
July 12-15, 2010  
Warsaw  
Poland

Deadline for paper proposals: April 15, 2010

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The Centre for East European Studies of the University of Warsaw (STUDIUM EUROPY WSCHODNIEJ UW) is organizing the WARSAW EAST EUROPEAN CONFERENCE, Seventh Annual Session, to be held in Warsaw, July 12-15, 2010.

THE WARSAW EAST EUROPEAN CONFERENCE will be held under the distinguished patronage of the Rector Magnificus of the University of Warsaw, Professor Katarzyna Chałasińska-Macukow.

THE PURPOSE and the main subject of the Seventh Warsaw East European Conference is an attempt to answer the question: WHERE ARE WE NOW? It means: what is the situation of the former Eastern Block countries after nearly twenty years from the moment of gaining independence, and after thirty years from the birth of "Solidarność" in Poland, 1980. We are interested in analyzing the state of affairs in all spheres linked with social and political life, i.e. the transformation of economics, law system, international relations as well as the inhabitants state of mind, transformations in culture, everyday life and common views. We try to focus our interests also on those events of the latest history of the region, which had an essential impact on contemporary situation at least in the most popular opinions.

**Below we present a list of specific topics of the 2010 Conference**

- Eastern Partnership - inaugural session
- The Polish-Bolshevik war of 1920 in the modern discourse on memory
- From the Ribbentrop-Molotov Pact to the Yalta Conference; the formation of the new political order
- The official doctrine of Communism vs national models
- The ideological discourse between the Chinese and the Soviet models of Communism
- Marxism-Leninism-Trotskyism-Stalinism-Maoism
- Dissident movements in the USSR
- Opposition movements in countries of the region
- The opposition in Poland before 1980
- Special features of the Communist doctrine in Yugoslavia
- The Catholic Church and its role in the Polish anti-Communist opposition
- The notion of Judeo-Communism. Facts and myths
- Women in the global Communist movement and in dissident movements
- Thirty years ago The Solidarity movement in Poland and its consequences
- The Martial Law as an attempt to save the Communist system
- "Poland for 10 years; Czechoslovakia for 10 months; Hungary for 10 days" – "The Autumn of Nations" in the Central and Eastern Europe
- The fall of the Berlin Wall and the unification of Germany – a symbol of the end of Yalta
- The enfranchisement of the Communist nomenklatura and its consequences
- The Round Table and the free elections in Poland – the legitimisation of the liberation tendencies
- Secret services in the final phase of Communism and in the post-Communist times

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- The collapse of the communist regimes in East-Central Europe
- The emergence of the new states on the ruins of the USSR
- The process of regaining sovereignty in the former Eastern bloc
- The ideological political divides, the right vs the left In the past and today
- Patriotism-Nationalism-Chauvinism
- Conservatism and Neoliberalism
- World Crisis and its consequences
- Mass-media- a real fourth power or a propaganda horn
- The EU vs Turkey
- New EU members
- Ukraine: between Eastern and Western tendencies
- The Black Sea region
- Russia: is there any chance for western-type democracy?
- The Caucasus: the game of powers
- Central Asia – between China and Russia
- The war in Afghanistan in the light of the global political situation
- The UE-US-China-Russia relations
- NATO today
- China – a new economic challenge
- New tycoons of economy the end of bipolar economy
- Changes of customs and culture
- Mass culture after 1989
- The high culture after the removal of the Iron Curtain
- Social changes and demographic problems
- What has happened to egalitarianism?
- Science after the collapse of Communism - the chances of Central Europe as a competitor of the West
- Ethnicity Awakened
- The Communisation of Eastern Europe
- China-Russia relations
- The emergence of new elites

These are the general topics, which are going to be discussed in panels during the WEEC. In the process of registration you will be able to choose one, from the panels mentioned above .

Nevertheless, we will be also ready to consider other subjects of presentation broadly reflecting the main theme of the Conference. For further information please find the “Panel Proposal” section on the next page.



## APPLICATION FORMS & PAPER PROPOSALS

APPLICATION FORMS as well as PAPER PROPOSAL FORMS, ABSTRACT SUBMISSION AND ACCOMMODATION ISSUES are handled by the Internet Registration System found at: [www.studium.uw.edu.pl/weec](http://www.studium.uw.edu.pl/weec). Please follow instructions found on the site in filling in the correct forms. Please note that participants with individual papers will be brought together into panel groups.

THE PAPER PROPOSALS, full papers and their abstracts must be written in English. However, in exceptional cases, the Conference organizers will allow some presentations in the panels to be delivered in Polish, on condition that a comprehensive written summary or the entire text in English is made available to the audience and the organizers. The Programme board ([weec.board@gmail.com](mailto:weec.board@gmail.com)) must be informed earlier (no less than 1 month in advance).

## PANEL PROPOSAL

Panels may be proposed under these conditions:

1. the theme of the panel has to reflect the main theme of the Conference,
2. the applicant proposing the panel must guarantee 3 - 4 participants,
3. the applicant or one of the participants has to be the Chair of the proposed panel.

Furthermore, if the conditions are fulfilled, a discussant can also be assigned to the panel.

Proposals are to be submitted directly to the secretary of Programme board on [weec.board@gmail.com](mailto:weec.board@gmail.com)

## LOCATION

THE CONFERENCE will be held in the renewed Old University Library building at the University of Warsaw historical main campus, in the historical centre of Warsaw, at Krakowskie Przedmieście Street, 26/28.

## SCHEDULE

THE CONFERENCE will begin on Monday, July 12 at 4 PM, and end on Thursday July 15 at 6 PM, 2010. The change from our original dates (which are 15-18 of July) is due to renovation in the building of the Old University Library. Next year we plan to return to the old dates.

Further information concerning schedules will be delivered to registered participants by email and the registration system.



## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME BOARD

JAN MALICKI - Conference Director, director of the Centre for East European Studies  
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## CONFERENCE ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

JAN MALICKI - Conference Director, director of the Centre for East European Studies.  
WŁODZIMIERZ LENGAUER - Vice-Rector of the University of Warsaw for Research and  
International Relations



## PAYMENTS

ALL PARTICIPANTS of the WEEC are obliged to pay the registration fee. Speakers must pay the fee at least one month in advance, until June 15, 2010. Listeners may pay on the first day of the conference.

Participants (speakers) who will fail to pay the registration fee by the **15<sup>th</sup> of June, 2010** will be removed from the list of participants as speakers and will only be able to attend the conference as listeners.

This is to ensure that a maximum number of speakers will be coming to the conference in July hence to avoid mistakes in conference programme.

## FUNDING

PARTICIPANTS of the WEEC 2010 are responsible for covering all travel and accommodation costs. However, **registered** participants, chairs and discussants will be offered **free accommodation** in University student hostels, double rooms.

Furthermore, help is offered with making reservations in hotels with which certain prices have been arranged for the participants of the WEEC Conference.

## ACCOMMODATION

THE REGISTRATION SYSTEM WEBSITE, beginning from May 31, 2010, will provide information concerning accommodation in Warsaw University student hostels.

PLEASE note that reservations for these hostels may only be handled through completing a certain step in the process of internet registration at [www.studium.uw.edu.pl/weec](http://www.studium.uw.edu.pl/weec)

PLEASE send all the questions concerning accommodation to [hotel.conf.studium@uw.edu.pl](mailto:hotel.conf.studium@uw.edu.pl).



## REGISTRATION FEES:

### 1. East and Central European non-EU countries, Russia, Caucasian and Central Asian countries:

Payment on the Warsaw University bank account till June 15:

- scholars (incl. Ph.D. students) - 25 €\* (equivalent of 25€ in PLN\*\*)
- students - 10 €\* (equivalent of 10€ in PLN\*\*)

Payment at the Conference in July, in Polish Zlotys (listeners only):

- scholars (incl. Ph.D. students) - 150 PLN
- students - 70 PLN

### 2. Poland and the EU “new” countries:

Payment on the Warsaw University bank account till June 15:

- scholars (incl. Ph.D. students) - 30 €\* (equivalent of 30€ in PLN\*\*)
- students - 15 €\* (equivalent of 15€ in PLN\*\*)

Payment at the Conference in July (listeners only):

- scholars (incl. Ph.D. students) - 180 PLN
- students - 90 PLN

Students and graduates of the Centre for East European Studies- free of charge

### 3. Other countries:

Payment on the Warsaw University bank account till June 15:

- scholars (incl. Ph.D. students) - 80 €\* (equivalent of 80€ in PLN\*\*)
- students - 40€\* (equivalent of 40€ in PLN\*\*)

Payment at the Conference in July (listeners only):

- scholars (incl. Ph.D. students) - 370 PLN
- students - 190 PLN

#### \* - Payment from abroad:

Bank name: Bank Millennium S.A.

Bank address:

Al. Jerozolimskie 123A 02-017 Warszawa

SWIFT CODE: BIGBPLPWXXX

IBAN:

PL64 1160 2202 0000 0000 6084 9207

Account number:

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\*\* - Payment in Poland in Polish zlotys (PLN)  
on the University of Warsaw bank account  
till June 15.

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**\*\*\*Deadline for proposals: APRIL 15, 2010\*\*\***

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