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“THE BALKANS” CENTRE

THE BALKAN STUDIES PROGRAMME

DEAR COLLEAGUES,

The students and graduates of the Programme in Balkan Studies at St. Cyril and St. Methodius University of Veliko Tarnovo have the pleasure of inviting you to take part in the

**17th INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CONFERENCE**

**on**

***Homo balcanicus –   
NATURE AND DIMENSIONS***

The conference will be held on 20 and 21 April 2017.

Discussion topics include but are not limited to:

• Balkan literary languages: from the past to the future;

• Language situation and language policies in the Balkan countries;

• The Balkan language picture of the world;

• Comparative studies of the Balkan languages;

• Vocabulary and phraseology: elements of the axis of time and fragments of living speech;

• The Bulgarian language from the perspective of Balkan Studies;

• Literatures of the Balkan peoples and cultural dialogue in the Balkans;

• Cultural history of the Balkan peoples;

• Balkan mythology: coded messages of the past;

• Religion as an element of identity;

• The Balkan world in the arts;

• Cultural tourism and the millennial heritage of the Balkans.

**Additional information:**

Deadline for submission of applications: 25 March 2017

Notification of application acceptance: 30 March 2017

Working languages: all Balkan languages and English

Presentation time: 15 min

Online participation is possible.

All travel expenses are solely the responsibility of the sending institution.

Additional information about accommodation will be provided by the conference organizing committee.

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