



DSSH/ASD DITËT E STUDIMEVE SHQIPTARE / 2020 albanian studies days / journées d'études albanais Topic: "THE ALBANIAN JOURNEY TO DEMOCRACY AND DEVELOPMENT: 1990-2020" FROM PARTIZANS TO PROFESSORS

Konferencë ndërkombëtare shkencore / International scientific conference/ UET 24-25 April 2020

# **CALL FOR PAPERS**

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# DSSH / ASD 2020 Studying Albania – economy, politics, social development, future perspective

The European University of Tirana is opening the call for papers for the Seventh Edition of the Albanian Studies Days Conference to be held in Tirana on 24-25 April 2020 focusing on the Albanian Journey to Democracy and Development: 1990-2020.

Albanian Studies Days (ASD) Conference is the flagship academic activity of the European University of Tirana and in 2020 it will be its seventh successive session. The conference aims to bring together the most renowned international scholars based in Albania and the Western Balkans to examine the most pertinent issues facing Albania and its region.

Scholars interested in the region and on the topic are encouraged to participate in the conference, which brings together researchers of politics, economy, finance, IT, engineering, law, sociology, anthropology, psychology, education, arts, etc.

The conference serves to discuss, to exchange ideas, perspectives and share findings on the Albanian journey with the steps forward and steps backward, with the purpose of perfecting the study of this important topic and contributing to better, evidence-based, policy making.

### A. INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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# DSSH / ASD brief guide to albanian studies days

**WHY ASD?:** Albanian Studies Days is a series of scientific conferences designed with a "peer review" system and focused on discussions about important issues related to Albanian society, ranging from economy, history, media, to legal system, political institutions, public policies, and on to development of education and its impact on social development.

#### PARTICIPANTS:

a. Foreign scholars whose doctoral works and scientific studies are focused on Albania.

b. Albanian professors, who have provided their contribution to Western universities since 1990s or earlier, whose work is still focused in Albania.

c. Foreign PhD candidates whose doctorate thesis is about Albania.

d. Albanian PhD candidates at Western universities whose doctorate thesis is related to Albania or the region.

e. UET PhD candidates who benefit from their contact with the relevant scientific community.

f. ASD is the key scientific activity for all eleven UET Departments, for UET academic staff as well as for the best UET scientific master students.

**TIME:** This activity is held at the end of April on an annual basis and it is divided into seven panels related to respective UET Research Projects and relevant topics approved by the scientific conference committees.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:** The activity also includes a number of other events (see extraconference program) related to crucial elements for scientific product and life, such as; book promotions and their ensuing discussions, documentaries and photo exhibitions featuring pressing concerns in Albanian society.

Welcome to Albanian Studies Days!



### C. CONFERENCE PANELS AND DISCUSSION THEMES

# PANEL 1: "THREE DECADES OF ECONOMIC REFORMS AND GROWTH – ARE FUNDAMENTALS RIGHT FOR A SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT?"

Chair – Assoc. Prof. Dr. Elvin MEKA

The panel will discuss and address various topics regarding the economic history, written during the first three decades, following the fall of planned & centralized economy; the key reforms undertaken, main challenges and issues faced and handled right way, economic success and failure stories, the way such economic policies are implemented and their respective impact on overall and different sectoral economic development, the creation of various institutions, regulatory bodies, markets, their functioning and how they have promoted, or otherwise hindered the effective competition within economy and its sectors.

#### PANEL 2: "LAW, INSTITUTIONS AND POLITICS IN ALBANIA DURING 1990-2020"

Chair - Assoc. Prof. Dr. Endira BUSHATI

The panel will discuss and address various topics regarding the history of transformation of law and institutions in Albania 1990-2020, from the "first constitution" of 1991, following the transformation of the institutions and also of the law, constitutional, private and criminal one, until the last transformation of the constitutional framework of the July 2016; the key legal reforms undertaken, especially regarding property law, criminal law etc.

#### PANEL 3: "THE ROLE OF INDIVIDUAL IN DEVELOPMENT OF ALBANIAN SOCIETY" Chair - Assoc. Prof. Dr. Belina BUDINI

The panel will discuss and address various topics regarding the role of individual in the construction and development of a democratic society. The Albanian road to democratization and development cannot be understood without the potential to create a generation of citizens who are well equipped to participate in a democratic society.

PANEL 4: "THE IMPACTS OF THE TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS ON INDUSTRY AND SERVICES" Chair – Assoc. Prof. Dr Arben Dushi

The panel will discuss the actual technology achievements, new branches where innovations aim to reach, studied in a business perspective. Investing in new technologies is becoming the modern way of competitiveness; this is changing the business' environment and our lives. Studies should search for main problems, impact and furthermore advantages that may occur in this high technology era.

#### PANEL 5: "THE CHALLENGES OF THE HEALTH SYSTEM REFORM"

Chair – Prof. Dr. Pirro Prifti

Our 21st century health landscape is shaped by growing global, regional, national and local interdependence and an increasingly complex array of interlinking factors that influence health and well-being. The panel will discuss the Health System Reform and initiatives in progress or under development from Semashko model to the whole-of-society. It seeks to provide relevant comparative information to support policymakers and analysts in the development of sustainable health system.

## D. GENERAL RULES OF THE CONFERENCE

Paper abstracts with no more than 300 words shall be submitted through the email address: dssh@uet.edu.al indicating clearly the panel in which the presentation shall be delivered; A short biographical information of the author(s) and contact details should accompany the abstract; An applicant shall not submit more than two papers as author and/or co-author; Conference language: English

#### Deadlines:

- Abstracts shall be submitted to the conference secretary within January 20, 2020
- Accepted papers will be notified by the organizers by January 30, 2020
- Draft research papers shall be submitted in a publishable format within March 30, 2020

(Final paper for publication shall be submitted by May 30, 2020

#### • Technical standards of the papers:

Paper shall be between 5,000-6,000 words; Times New Roman, 12; in English language. A summary of no more than two pages shall be in Albanian language

These deadlines are final and failure to comply remains responsibility of the interested participants.

#### Papers shall be sent to:

E-mail: dssh@uet.edu.al

#### Payments:

Participation in the conference is upon the payment of a fee of  $50 \in$  per paper. This fee covers access to conference facilities and documentation; publication of the paper in the Conference Proceedings Book; a copy of the published book.

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