





# State Scientific Institution «Institute of History of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus» Center for History of geopolitics

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## Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Belarus office

are pleased to invite you to participate in the international conference «Belarus in the current geopolitical and geo-economic processes»

which will take place on March 28-29th in Minsk, Republic of Belarus

The modern world is going through drastic geopolitical, economic and social transformations. The nature of the changes demonstrates the high level of their intensity and dynamism. The interaction of the centers of power is accompanied by the aggravation of confrontation between States and competition among future development models.

After independence, Belarus has managed to build a constructive relationship with international partners. The country is pursuing an independent, peaceful foreign policy, as well as making a significant contribution to strengthening international security and stability in the region.

The conference is devoted to actual problems of foreign policies implementation and national interests of Belarus in its relations with other states, prospects of development of the country and the CEE region in a changing geopolitical realities.

This year we have pleasure invite scientists, representatives of bodies of power and administration, diplomatic corps, experts in the field of international relations and law to the discussion of the most important and topical problems in three dimensions: political, economic and social.

Problem field of the conference.

## 1) The political dimension:

- Global, regional or peripheral? The place and significance of Belarus in international politics.
- International organizations and Belarus: sources of challenges and opportunities.
- Integration projects and Belarus. State is at fault, on the border or at the junction.
- Belarus and foreign countries. Key partners and prospects for the development of relations.
- Belarus and ensuring international stability. Issues of cooperation in the field of defense and security.

#### 2) The economic dimension:

- International energy security and Belarus.
- Global and regional economic initiatives, challenges and opportunities for Belarus.
- Cooperation of Belarus with key economic partners. Diversification or reorientation?
- World economic processes and their impact on Belarus. Short-term, medium-term and long-term prospects.

## 3) The social dimension:

- Public diplomacy and its role for Belarus
- Civil society organizations in shaping the image and knowledge about Belarus
- Belarus and its policies through the prism of analytical structures and the media.

Conference languages: **Belarusian, Russian, English**. *Simultaneous translation will be provided*.

To participate in the event please fill in the electronic application form at - <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/eCgCWninFdzMTASh1">https://goo.gl/forms/eCgCWninFdzMTASh1</a>

#### Additional confirmation e-mail will not be sent.

The organizers reserve the right of selection of applications for participation in the conference, the status of the report (plenary report, ordinary report etc.), inclusion of accepted papers in certain sections.

The selection is based on completed applications and texts of reports (up to 30 thousand symbols), which will be accepted until **15 February** (incl.) 2018.

Following the results of the conference articles of participants will be published.

**Requirements for articles**. Papers accepted for publication should be up to 30 K symbols in MS Word, font Times New Roman size 14, margins: top and bottom - 20 mm., left - 30 mm., right - 15 mm. The sources are listed in the order which they are cited in the report. Endnote references should be in square brackets. The numbered list of references is provided at the end of report. You can find more detailed information about the design of the references at <a href="http://vak.org.by/bibliographicDescription">http://vak.org.by/bibliographicDescription</a>.

The organizing committee reserves the right of selection of the texts for publication; the texts are not edited and are not returned to the authors.

The title of the report indicates title, author's name, represented organization, e-mail address.

## **Example:**

THE INFLUENCE OF THE EURASIAN INTEGRATION PROJECT ON BELARUS AND RUSSIA REGIONAL POLICY

IMPLEMENTATION IN EASTERN EUROPE

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Travel, accommodation and meal costs will be covered by conference organizers.

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