

First Circular
3rd Conference of the Adriatic Forum
devoted to the general theme
Regional Development and Regionalisation

organised by

Institute of Urban and Regional Research, Austrian Academy of Sciences

in cooperation with

Institute of Geography and Regional Research, University of Vienna
International Geographical Union – Political Geography Commission
International Cartographic Association – Commission on National and Regional Atlases
Austrian Geographical Society

Vienna, Austria
September 23-25, 2010



Rovinj/Rovigno, Istria (Photo: Jordan)

The 3rd Conference of the Adriatic Forum is the follow-up of the *First Conference of Geographers of the Upper Adriatic – Joint Management of a Borderless Area*, held in Koper/Capodistria, 27-28 November 2008, organised under the direction of Prof. Milan BUFON by the Science and Research Centre of Koper/Capodistria and the Faculty of Humanities of the University of Primorska, as well of the 2nd Conference titled *Construction and Deconstruction of Nationalism and Regionalism: A Long Journey to Europe*, held in Trieste, 1-2 October 2009, organised under the direction of Prof. Maria Paola PAGNINI by the University of Trieste.

Themes

The thematic frame “**Regional development and regionalisation**” corresponds to global and European challenges as well as to demands for research in the wider Adriatic region. Political geographers as well as regional, cultural and social geographers, spatial planners, geographers of tourism and transportation can feel especially addressed. But studies from other fields of geography and interdisciplinary approaches are invited as well and considered an added value. The participation of colleagues from other disciplines will be highly appreciated.

The **Adriatic space** in the sense of the coastlands of the Adriatic Sea and their hinterlands is to be the focus of this conference in regional terms. But this concept must not be regarded as clearly defined, and comparison with situations elsewhere as well as methodological and theoretical approaches applicable on regional research are also welcome.

The following list of **potential topics** is just to stimulate ideas, but by no means exclusive:

- Spatial socio-economic disparities;
- Urban and rural development;
- Regional demographic structures and developments;
- Regional economic structures and developments;
- Effects of EU regional and cohesion policies;
- Migration flows and regimes;
- Tourism as a factor of regional development;
- Regionalisation and political-administrative decentralisation;
- Regionalism;
- Regional and cross-border cooperation;
- Regional economic integration;
- Transfer of the *Acquis communautaire* to Southeast European countries;
- The Adriatic space as a macroregion: functional relations within the region, inclusion of hinterlands (especially in the Alps, in the Danubian space and in Southeast Europe), its position in the wider Europe;
- Development of transportation networks as a means of regional development and integration (seaports and their hinterland connections, TEN-T networks, etc.);
- National and regional (in the sense of subnational as well as macroregional) atlases.

Preliminary programme

Thursday, 23 September 2010: Paper presentations, in the evening social dinner in a typical Viennese restaurant

Friday, 24 September 2010: Paper presentations, in the afternoon presentations of young scholars, PhD seniors and PhD candidates

Saturday, 25 September 2010: Bus excursion around the “Sea of the Viennese” (less euphemistically called **Lake Neusiedl**, in fact not really comparable to the Adriatic!) including the bilingual (German/Croatian) village Oslip/Uslop, the wine town Rust, the regional centre Sopron/Ödenburg and Esterházy Castle in Fertőd (Hungary) as well as the Lake Neusiedl/Fertő to National Park.

Venue

Vienna [Wien], Austrian Academy of Sciences, Sonnenfelsgasse 19, **Theatersaal**.

[Vienna is not really an Adriatic city in the strict sense, but always was and still is well related to the Adriatic. A most tangible proof for this is the Southern Railway Line to Trieste which started to operate in 1857 as the second long-distance railway line of the Austrian Empire (only second to the Emperor Ferdinand Northern Railway Line). Due to close relations in all fields of economy and science as well as in tourism, the Adriatic space meets always marked interest in Vienna. This conference is certainly going to underline this statement.]

Organisation

The Conference is **organised** by the Institute of Urban and Regional Research (organiser: Peter JORDAN, Head of the Institute: Heinz FASSMANN)

in co-operation with

- Institute of Geography and Regional Research, University of Vienna (Head: Helmut WOHLISCHLÄGL),
- Commission on Political Geography, International Geographical Union (Chair: Anton GOSAR),
- Commission on National and Regional Atlases, International Cartographic Association (Chair: Peter JORDAN)
- Austrian Geographical Society (President: Christian STAUDACHER)

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Language: English

No registration fees are requested

Deadlines

- for **registration**: 31 May 2010 (Please, find the registration form enclosed)

- for **submission of abstracts** (if you wish to present a paper, max. 300 words): 31 July 2010

Please, send registration form and abstract to peter.jordan@oeaw.ac.at

A **2nd Circular** containing travel information and more details on the venue will follow after the deadline for registration, a **3rd Circular** including the detailed programme early in September 2010.

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Registration form

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Name.....

Affiliation.....

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I will participate in the **3rd Conference of the Adriatic Forum** in Vienna and will take part in the following events:

- 23 and 24 September 2010, 9.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.: **conference, paper presentations**
- 23 September 2010, 8.00 p.m.: **social dinner** (€ 20.-, to be paid at arrival in Vienna)
- 25 September 2010, 8.00 a.m.-6.00 p.m.: **bus excursion** around Lake Neusiedl (€ 50.-, lunch in Sopron/Ödenburg included, to be paid at arrival in Vienna)

I wish to **present a paper** (To present a paper is not a condition for participation. Submissions will be selected for presentation by the paper selection committee)

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