**CALL FOR PAPERS**

**Eastern European Communist Countries towards the Far East during the Cold War,**

**Jagiellonian University, Cracow**

**6-7 June 2019**

The conference aims at shedding new light on the multi-level relations between Eastern European Communist Countries and the Far East. The 30th anniversary of the collapse of Communism in Europe brings a great opportunity to revaluate political, economic, military, and cultural ties linking different European and Asian countries in comparative approach. The conference seeks to investigate the nature of this cooperation and the role of the Soviet Union, as well as explore the ways in which the demise of Communism in Europe influenced socialists countries in the Far East.

We welcome contributions which draw on newly available sources, such as recently declassified documents from Eastern Europe, Asia, and Western archives.

Possible paper topics include but are not limited to the following:

* Ideological and political ties
* Sino-Soviet split
* Economic relations between Communist countries and the Far East
* Intelligence operations in the Far East
* Intelligence, security and military training of Communist revolutionaries
* Military collaboration (for example Korean War, Vietnam War)
* Soft Power/Cultural Diplomacy

Working language of the conference is English.

**Conference fee: 70 euro/250 zł.** Accommodation and meals will be covered for presenters.

The deadline for proposal submissions is **April 8, 2019**. The submission should include an abstract of 250–300 words in English and a biographical note listing major professional accomplishments (no more than 250 words in English). Invited speakers will be notified by **April 15, 2019**.

The conference is organized by the Institute of National Remembrance - Commission for the Prosecution of Crimes against the Polish Nation and the Institute of the Middle and Far East of the Jagiellonian University in Cracow.

Selected papers will be considered for publication in a reviewed volume.

Submissions and additional questions should be sent to: marek.handerek@ipn.gov.pl

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