

International Scientific Conference

**Nationhood, Statehood, Region: National Movements and Regionalism
in Belarus and Lithuania (late 19th – early 20th century)**

May 11–12, 2012

(Minsk, Belarus)

The Conference is to assemble the main specialists in national movements and regionalism (krajovy project/idea) in Belarus and Lithuania. The mission of the Conference is to facilitate the comparative study, rethinking of nation-building strategies in the region, and to broader interdisciplinary research communication.

It's supposed that Belarusian, Lithuanian, Polish movements' development and regionalism (krajovy project/idea) formulation will be considered in the following perspectives: 1) ideas and intellectual projects; 2) evolution of party and cultural organizations system; 3) fundamental social and cultural processes in the post-GDL (Grand Duchy of Lithuania) region.

Organizers

Institute of Political Studies Political Sphere (Belarus, Lithuania)

Polish Institute in Minsk (Belarus)

Lithuanian Embassy in the Republic of Belarus (Belarus)

Institute of Grand Duchy of Lithuania (Lithuania)

Participants

Up to 40 scholars from Belarus, Poland, Lithuania and other countries that are specialized in the study of Belarusian, Lithuanian, Polish national and regional movements.

In particular: Alieś Smaliančuk (Director, Institute of Belarus Historical Studies),

Dariusz Szpoper (Head, Law and State History Department, Gdansk University), Rimantas Miknys (Director, Institute of Lithuanian History)

Preliminary plan

Panel 1: Nation-building in Belarus and Lithuania: theoretical and methodological dimension

Panel 2: Belarusian political and cultural movement, late 19th - early 20th century

Panel 3: Regionalism (krajovy project/idea) and Polish movement in Belarus and Lithuania, late 19th - early 20th century

Panel 4: Lithuanian political and cultural movement, late 19th - early 20th century

Panel 5: Nation-building and state-building in post-GDL region: comparative perspective

Working languages

Belarusian, Polish, Russian, English

Deadline for proposals

March 2, 2012

To participate in the Conference, please submit the following:

- 1) CV in any working language
- 2) Thesis of the presentation, 2-3 thousand characters in any working language
- 3) Please, indicate in the letter if you need visa support

Please, submit your applications to the following address before March 2, 2012: info@palityka.org

The organizers assist in claiming for the free Belarusian visa.

In particular cases, the issue of compensation for the accommodation and travel expenses can be considered.

Publication

The Conference results will be published in a specialized compilation dedicated to the actual state of the research of the national and regional movements in Belarus and Lithuania in the late 19th - early 20th century.