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Call for Papers

The Centro Altiero Spinelli - Jean Monnet center of excellence (CeAS), University of "Roma Tre" (Italy), and the Research Centre on Identity and Migration Issues (RCIMI), University of Oradea (Romania), jointly organize the International Seminar on:

MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES ACROSS EUROPE: HOW TO SHARE THE CHALLENGE FOR A SHARED WORLD OF PEACE

The Seminar will be held within the project "Pathways to Peace," with the support, among others, of the Italian Ministry of Education, Universities and Research.

The arrival in Europe of a mass of people who flee their countries of origin (especially from Syria) due to war and other situations of danger for their lives and liberties, in addition to the flux of migrants compelled to leave their countries because of poverty, has become a major challenge for Europe, from the point of view of its capacity to share the burden of hospitality, but even more for the implications of public policy at both national and European Union level, connected with integration and security reasons. Indeed, social integration, intercultural dialogue, mutual respect, on one hand, and, on the other, measures to prevent and combat illegal immigration fueled by criminal organizations, as well as to respond effectively to terrorism risks connected with conflicts on the south bank of the Mediterranean (Middle-East and African

area), are all intertwined factors and aspects of a scenario in which is at stake the future of the European project of peace and prosperity.

In view of the challenge thus posed by the flows of migrants and refugees, on which it also depends the challenge of peaceful coexistence and worldwide sustainable development, EU member states and institutions are called to act in a responsive way that also implies the responsibility to deepen and spread knowledge about the issues involved, in order to have, on the side of the public at large, a better understanding of viable solutions, especially concerning policy choices, affecting the life of European citizens.

To this regard, university cooperation, through the involvement of research and study centers, with the participation of experts, and civil society organizations, can bring about a significant contribution in terms of analysis, suggestions and proposals.

With this aim in mind, the Seminar is intended to gather scholars, young researchers, experts, as well as institutional and civil society representatives, in order to offer an opportunity to reflect and discuss on such matters, while urging the attention of competent authorities, in particular at European level.

Main objectives of the Seminar are:

- to analyze the migrants and refugees fluxes that produced a crisis in the EU politics and culture and to produce study materials relevant for the topic; to advance proposals for managing it; and to promote interculturaldialogue on the basis of the shared values and common interests of the Countries involved (sending, transit and receiving).

Expected outcomes are:

- establishing "face to face dialogues" among institutional and political representatives as well as non-political and civil society actors, including scholars and experts, situated both in the sending, transit and receiving countries, in order to define a comprehensive view of the process, if not shared, at least, mutually knowledgeable and aware of the differences among the parts;
- **delivering proposals to European institutions**, mainly to the European Commission and to the European Parliament, on the basis of an analytical knowledge and a thorough understanding of the nature, dimension and far reaching implications of the phenomenon as well as its consequences on the future of all the region;

- mobilizing the Academia, NGOs, Media and the public opinion promoting an active, informed and responsible debate about national and EU policies on the field;
- defending value-based approaches as part of the process of managing the crisis, with regard not only to its emergency aspects, but also to its development prospects, by giving shape to an agreed *Charter on Common Values and Principles*, and making efforts for its implementation at local, national and European level.

We invite abstracts on any of the following thematic areas:

- Migrants and refugees crisis, sending transit and receiving countries: experiences & views
- EU and national policies in managing migrants and refugees crisis
- Human rights and minority rights between cultural diversity, social integration and security issues

Selected contributions and the following seminar's proceedings will be, after a peers review, published in a volume within the monographs series "Quaderni del Centro Altiero Spinelli" (http://www.centrospinelli.eu).

Further, and in the alternative, single contributions will be made available on line and/or published, after a peers review, in a special issues of the journal "La cittadinanzaeuropea" edited by CeAS (http://www.centrospinelli.eu), and in the "Journal for Identity and Migration Studies" of University of Oradea (http://www.jims.e-migration.ro), both indexed in international data bases.

No more than one paper is allowed.

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containing the following information, identified by the ASN Program Committee:

- 1. Contact information: name, email, postal address and academic affiliation of the applicant.
- 2. A **300- to 500-word abstract** that includes the title of the paper and the name of the author (shorter or extensive abstracts will not be considered).

3. A 100-word biographical summary, in narrative form (a text with the length of one paragraph). Standard CVs will not be considered.

Deadline:by January, 15th, 2016 at the latest.

Only selected and accepted papers will be considered for presentation during the Seminar.

Only selected papers allow an invitation to assist to the Seminar.