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REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND DEMOGRAPHIC FLOWS

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Regional development problems have been seizing the attention of the scientific and professional public worldwide for many decades. The world economy's modern conditions make these problems even more topical, and their forms are increasingly challenging for scientific research.

One of the few institutions from this part of Europe that has been monitoring and pointing out the problems and multidimensionality of regional development for decades is the Faculty of Economics of the University of Niš, which traditionally organizes conferences dedicated to precisely this issue.

The 31st **Regional Development and Demographic Flows** conference will be held on June 26th, 2026, at the Faculty of Economics of the University of Niš.

This prestigious event gathers many scientists and experts from the country and abroad. Moreover, the number of participants at this conference, from an ever-growing number of countries, is increasing annually.

Considering your professional competence, we would be highly pleased if you could contribute to the successful work of the conference with your paper and active participation.

PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE PROGRAM

09.30 – 10.00	Registration
10.00 – 10.15	Opening ceremony
10.15 – 11.30	Panel session
12.30 – 13.00	Coffee break
13.00 – 15.00	Paralel sessions
15.00 – 17.00	Lunch

THEMATIC FIELDS

I REGIONAL ECONOMIES IN THE ERA OF SYSTEMIC TRANSITION: RESILIENCE, COMPETITIVENESS AND THE SPATIAL TRANSFORMATION OF DEVELOPMENT

- Entrepreneurship as a driver of innovation for the green and digital transformation of regional economies
- Sustainable organizational management and innovative regional strategies
- Financial instruments and regional investment strategies
- Digital technologies and IT solutions for sustainable regional development
- Global economic trends and their implications for sustainable regional development
- Macroeconomic shocks and the energy crisis: spatial effects and regional strategies
- Urban development in the context of the sustainability of regional economies
- Sustainable tourism as a driver of regional development
- Accounting information as a basis for measuring regional productivity and investment attractiveness
- The role of financial reporting in strengthening the resilience of regional economies
- Audit of public and regional development projects: transparency and accountability
- The role of audit in fostering sustainable regional growth



II THE DEMOGRAPHIC FUTURE OF THE EUROPEAN AREA: BETWEEN DEPOPULATION AND NEW MIGRATION PARADIGMS

- The impact of population ageing on socio-economic implications and the sustainability of social protection systems
- The silver economy and the labour market – models of working life extension in European countries
- The impact of depopulation on economic growth – the correlation between demographic decline and productivity
- From labour migration to environmental refugees – contemporary European migration patterns
- Brain drain in South-East Europe
- A comparative analysis of the effectiveness of different European population policy models
- Transformation of the family model and its impact on the reproductive intentions of the population
- The role of non-financial reporting in presenting social and demographic challenges at the regional level
- Audit of public expenditure under changing demographic structures

III ECOLOGICAL RESILIENCE OF REGIONS UNDER CLIMATE CHANGE

- Climate change and natural disasters: strengthening the resilience of communities and regions
- Climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies: spatial and territorial approaches
- Biodiversity, ecosystem functions and sustainable management of natural resources
- Sustainable agriculture and rural development: the transition towards resilient food systems
- Urban and regional planning in support of the sustainability and resilience of territorial systems
- Environmental challenges in the contemporary tourism industry
- Reporting on climate and environmental risks at the regional level
- The role of audit in ensuring the reliability of ESG and non-financial reports

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WRITING PAPERS

1. The paper should have no more than three authors. The paper should be 6-10 pages in length and include text (Introduction, Main text, Conclusion), illustrations, tables, references and other.
2. The instructions for technical preparation and formatting of the paper are given as a separate document (Template).
3. Only the reviewed papers will be published in the thematic proceedings. The papers that have not been completed according to the attached manual or not delivered to the specified deadline will not be printed in the thematic proceedings.
4. The papers prepared in accordance with the instructions and with all the necessary elements should be sent to the address rr2026@eknfak.ni.ac.rs
5. Deadline for submission of papers is 10 May 2026.

PARTICIPATION FEE

The fee for printing the paper is 30 euros per author, in dinar counter value on the day of payment. The amount of the fee is VAT included.

The participation fee should be transferred to the account of the Faculty of Economics (account number: 840-0000032800845-19) after you have been informed about the acceptance of your paper. The participation fee can be paid on the day of the Conference.

The participation fee covers the conference proceedings, conference material, refreshments and lunch after the Conference.

The participation fee payment and two positive reviews are prerequisites for the publication of the papers.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

The official languages are languages of the former Yugoslav republics and English.



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