



The Evaluation of Cross-border Cooperation at the Frontiers of EU/EVALCBC



*University of Oradea
and the
Institute for Euroregional Studies Oradea-Debrecen*

invite you to participate in the international roundtable debate:

Achievements, Contemporary Approaches and Perspectives in the Evaluation of Cross-border Cooperation

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CALL FOR CONFERENCE

Cross-border cooperation evaluation successfully combines two relevant dimensions of European studies: cross-border cooperation and the evaluation method with its specific steps and instruments, thus creating a new direction for study and research. This new direction will concentrate on studying elements specific to cross-border space such as: infrastructure, education, public administration, economy, tourism, industry, etc.

Through research we can gain a better level of understanding of this type of development as well as identify opportunities for constructive dialogue with local, national and Euroregional decision makers. Research done in the field of cross-border cooperation can also lead to identifying instruments that determine higher degrees of EU policy governance thanks to factors such as increased access to European Funds. The dialogue between institutions and cross-border research can bring about sustainable growth in line with the Europe 2020 strategy.

The cross-border space represents an interesting topic for study as the combination of elements that make up this space provide researchers with case studies aimed at generating solutions to more than one national community that lives near to the area: cross-border solutions improve the quality of life for people in neighbouring communities, develop cooperation between institutions, promote sustainable development and reduce discrepancy among regions. These objectives are connected with those of the Europe 2020 strategy that underline opportunities for new jobs, research and education, reduction in poverty as well as sustainable climate and energy solutions.

The main aim of the conference is to provide a forum for discussion and exchange of experience and knowledge on such issues as: cross-border cooperation and strategies inside the European Union and between European Union and its neighbours, instruments and structures of cross-border cooperation, evaluation of cross-border cooperation.

We invite academics, researchers, policy makers, non-governmental organisation activists, journalists and doctoral students to participate in a two day roundtable debate, organized between the **1st and the 2nd of June, 2017** at the University of Oradea, Romania. The roundtable debate will include three workshops with the following themes:

- 1. Achievements in the field of cross border cooperation**
- 2. Contemporary approaches to cross border cooperation evaluation**
- 3. Perspectives of cross border cooperation evaluation**

The **abstracts** (max. **500 words, followed by 5 keywords**) will be submitted for review in electronic MS Word format. Please provide the full names, affiliation and e-mail addresses of all authors. Authors are also asked to send a **100 word biographical note** focusing on research activities, scientific interests and previous publications.

Abstracts should be sent by 31 of March 2017 to the Roundtable Coordinator, Constantin – Vasile Țoca, at the following address: **constantin.toca@gmail.com**

Travel & Accommodation

There is no participation fee for the conference. Accommodation and meals during the conference will be paid by the organizers. There are no available funds for travel costs.