



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



The *University of Oradea* and the *Institute for Euroregional Studies Oradea-Debrecen*
invite you to participate in the international conference:

THE EVALUATION OF CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION IN EUROPE

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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, in order to create 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 lead to 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 benefit 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 organisations' activists, journalists and doctoral students to participate in a three day conference, organized between the **1st and the 3rd of June 2016** at the University of Oradea, Romania. The conference will include four workshops with the following themes:

- 1. Cross-border cooperation at the EU borders,**
- 2. Cross-border cooperation at the European Union Eastern border,**
- 3. European instruments used in cross-border cooperation,**
- 4. Cross-border cooperation structures.**

We invite the submission of **abstracts** of up to **300 words** with a list of **5 key words** and the author's first name, surname and affiliation to the Conference Coordinator Constantin Țoca (constantin.toca@gmail.com).

Authors are asked to send a **100 words biographical note** focusing on research activities, scientific interests and previous publications.

The official website of the project is: www.evalcbc.eu.