



**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**

**06-07 June 2017
Oradea, Romania**

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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 creased 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 roudtable debate, organized between **June 6-7th, 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 boder 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 May 12th 2017 to the Roundtable Coordinator, Constantin – Vasile Țoca, at the following address: **constantin.toca@gmail.com**

The progress of the roundtable

We plan that each participant present a point of view about the 3 lines of discussion indicated in the call (approximately 5-7 minutes). By May 12th the latest, we require the title of this point of view and the workshop where it will be presented, along with a short abstract in English.

After each presentation, there will be 2-3 speakers with their points of view about the question in debate. For the publication of debates, we require a paper with the content of the point of view presented from each participant (minimum 2500 characters, 5-8 pages).

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.

Best regards

Constantin – Vasile Țoca

Project Manager

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