

First International Doctoral Summer School in Urban Geopolitics: <u>Urban Identities</u>, <u>Geopolitics and Urban Policy</u>

6-9 June 2019, Kharkiv, with overnight field trip to the Ukrainian government-controlled Donbas region

Call for applications

The University of Oslo and V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University, in collaboration with partners of the Norwegian Research Council-funded UKRGEOPOL research project (http://www.geokyiv.org/ukrgeopol), are delighted to invite doctoral candidates to the **Urban Identities, Geopolitics and Urban Policy** Summer School to be held in Kharkiv, 6-9 June 2019. The event will be held in English.

The Doctoral School will provide an open and informal atmosphere for mutual exchange among young scientists and distinguished senior researchers, followed by a field trip to the twin cities of Kramatorsk and Slovyansk, located in the Ukrainian government-controlled area of the Donbas. The organizers hope to stimulate intense, productive, interdisciplinary and international dialogue and learning at the intersection of urban identities, geopolitics and urban policy.

The Doctoral School discussions and inputs will draw inspiration from the ongoing international research project *Ukrainian geopolitical fault-line cities: urban identities, geopolitics and urban policy,* funded by the Research Council of Norway. It will consist of a series of lectures and discussion seminars, including seminars where the participants will discuss each other's PhD work and receive feedback from senior scholars.

Confirmed speakers include:

Taras Kuzio (Ukraine specialist, Kyiv Mohyla Academy)

Evgenia Kuznetsova (media expert, Kyiv School of Economics)

Michael Gentile (urban and political geographer, University of Oslo)

Sven Daniel Wolfe (urban and political geographer, University of Lausanne)

Kostyantyn Mezentsev (urban geographer, Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv)

We are looking for applicants from **across the social sciences** (e.g., from geography, political science, sociology, anthropology, planning, but also architecture).

Applicants from EU Association Agreement Countries (Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine) will be given priority for the **10 fully funded places** (free accommodation, meals, materials and field trip). However, there is space for 20 participants in total. Participants from other countries will be asked to cover their own accommodation costs, and will need to pay a fee of EUR 50 for meals, materials and the field trip.

Please apply by **30 April 2019** by submitting the required materials to the sending the following materials to ukrgeopol@gmail.com

- 1. Short letter of motivation (max. 300 words)
- 2. CV including list of publications (if applicable)3. Abstract of your current research to be presented and discussed in Kharkiv (max. 300 words)

and fill on-line application form: https://forms.gle/TeZYG8C7yuWVe67x6

You will receive a notification of acceptance by 5 May 2019.