2019 Report of the CAS Representative to ICCEES

(International Council for Central and East European Studies)

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1. Final preps: World Congress (4–9 August 2020, Concordia University, Montreal)

The Congress **Website** is up and the **Call** for Proposals has been issued. ICCEES National associations are disseminating the links among their members.

- * **Panel proposals** are strongly encouraged over individual proposals. By organizing panels with colleagues from other countries, CAS will demonstrate that we promote international cooperation and exchange.
- * Links to the Website and the Call: sites.events.concordia.ca/sites/iccees/en/iccees2020 sites.events.concordia.ca/sites/iccees/en/iccees2020/call for submissions
- * Submission Deadline : 15 September 2019.

2. Travel Funding

Ph.D. students and scholars from post-Soviet and Asian economies face challenges. For many, attending the World Congress is not on the radar. For the Organizing Committee and ICCEES, this is a high priority in fund-raising. Participation by young scholars will be a key indicator of the success of the World Congress.

Funding announcements will be posted on the website as soon as they are confirmed.

<u>How can CAS help?</u> – Reach out to your home institutions, institutes, organizations, and benefactors. Tell them about the World Congress and the urgent need for travel assistance to Ph.D. students and scholars from Eastern Europe and Asia. Notify the Organizing Committee Alison or me) of any leads or prospects. <u>Your timely ideas and suggestions in the weeks ahead can make all the difference</u>.

3. Congress Academic Committee

This fall, the Congress Academic Committee, comprised of CAS members, will review Panel and Paper Proposals and make recommendations to the Organizing Committee.

4. Meeting of ICCEES Executive Committee (22–23 May 2019, Montreal)

EC allocated \$45,000 to significantly reduce registration fees for Ph.D. students

Agenda included: ICCEES business and progress report on Congress 2020. EC also met the Organizing Committee; President and representatives of Concordia University; representatives of Montreal. Toured the Congress venue.

Next meeting: August 2019 at the World Congress.

Respectfully submitted,

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