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We hereby invite applications for papers for the Annual Conference of the “Nicolae Iorga” Institute of History, Bucharest, **5-6 December 2019**, organised jointly with the ERC-2014-CoG no. 646489–*LuxFaSS* project of the New Europe College (Bucharest) and the *Historiographies of Early Modern Southeast Europe (HEMSEE)* project of the Austrian Academy of Sciences:

***Between Empires: Circulation,
Communication and Interaction
(15th – 21th centuries)***

The aim of the conference is to break new grounds in the research on the circulation of people, objects and knowledge between the Empires, by fostering a discussion on how interaction and communication enable societal change. The topic of our conference should address questions related to the interactions between cultures and individuals in the multifaceted territories of Southeast Europe.

Among possible themes for reflections we have thought of the following:

- War and peace, diplomacy and mediation;
- Trade and gifts, cultural exchanges;
- Political allegiances, loyalty and treason;
- Intelligence networks and new agencies, from postal services to spies
- Identities between the empires: subjects and citizens;
- Travelling across borders: travellers, merchants, pilgrims, mercenaries;
- Mobility, foreigners and protégés between the Empires;
- Princely courts and knowledge interaction;
- Conversion and religious interaction;
- Circulation of objects, people and knowledge;
- Writing history in Southeast Europe.

The conference languages are English and French.

The deadline for submitting a paper title and abstract is **15 September 2019**.

Venue: the conference hall of the “Nicolae Iorga” Institute of History, 1 Aviatorilor bvd, Bucharest.

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