

Call for papers
**43rd Annual International Conference of the Irish Association for Russian,
Central and East European Studies, "Environment, Territory, Mobility"**
7-8 May 2020 at University College Dublin, Ireland

From the frontiers of empires to the Iron Curtain and the (re)definition of nation states, Central and Eastern Europe, Russia and Eurasia have long been defined by boundaries and borders. At the same time, the societies and communities of the region have deep and long-standing inter-relations - which often under-cut or at the very least, complicate, our notions of nationally bounded space - fostered for instance by shared experiences of empires; flows of people, objects and ideas; common environments; the political transformations of the twentieth century; and the intellectual umbrella of area studies. Exploring the theme 'Environment, territory, mobility', the 43rd Annual International Conference of IARCEES focuses on the ways in which the physical spaces of Russia, Eurasia and Central/Eastern Europe intersect with wider aspects of social, political, economic and cultural change. Attentive to the specificities of local places and contexts, while accommodating broader patterns and frames of analysis, we invite papers that address topics broadly associated with human-nature relationships; mobilities and migrations; and territorial identity, organisation and re-constitution. The conference is intended to contribute to the further growth of the field by opening up new avenues of research, both within and across disciplines, and by encouraging collaboration and intellectual exchange.

Please submit your paper or panel proposals, together with a biographical statement of up to 150 words for each presenter, to jarcees2020@gmail.com. The deadline for the submission of all proposals is **27th January 2020**.

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