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CALL FOR PROPOSALS

We cordially invite you to participate in the very first edition of the *Colloquia Ceranea* international scholarly conference to be held April 11–13, 2019.

We intend for the *Colloquia Ceranea* to become an annual gathering of scholars who study the history and culture of several geographic areas (Byzantium, the Slavic world, the Balkans, the Middle East, and the Caucasus) throughout a number of historical periods (ranging from Antiquity through the Middle Ages to the Early Modern period), with a particular focus on:

- material culture and everyday life,
- historical and political geography,
- peace and war studies,
- medicine,
- society, mores and social norms,
- education,
- literature, manuscript production and circulation,
- language,
- art and visual culture,
- cultural unity and diversity, continuity and innovations,
- the history of the Church and religious movements,
- political culture and ideology,
- historiography and perception of the past from Antiquity to the present,
- the state and its organization.

We are deeply convinced that the event will result in lively discussion and an invigorating exchange of ideas, leading to genuine intellectual interaction – perhaps the key element of any scholarly conference. Accordingly, we have opted for a format based on thematic panels, led by moderators who will represent groups of participants of each particular scheduled meeting. We

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expect these panels to consist of a maximum of 4 speakers, with each panel session lasting 1 hour and 45 minutes. Individual submissions are also welcome.

Declarations regarding the topics of the panels and lists of speakers should be sent by November 30, 2018 to the e-mail address colloquia.ceranea@uni.lodz.pl. The application forms are available on the website: <http://ceraneum.uni.lodz.pl/en/colloquia-2019>.

Papers should be presented in English. Other languages are acceptable too, provided that the speaker prepares an English handout (or multimedia presentation) outlining the main points of the talk.

The conference fee is 250 PLN (Polish złoty). Accommodation starting from ca. 100 PLN per night is available in the vicinity of the conference center. The conference fee may be reduced; please contact us in advance or during the registration to discuss your individual circumstances.

Provided they meet the applicable requirements, the papers from the conference will be published in article format in the yearly *Studia Ceranea*, a journal indexed in Web of Science Core Collection (Emerging Sources Citation Index), EBSCOhost, and a number of other databases.

Four plenary lectures will be delivered during the conference. The keynote speakers include:
Prof. Béatrice Caseau, Sorbonne University (Paris IV)
Prof. Anna-Maria Totomanova, University of Sofia “St. Kliment Ohridski”