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**The College of European and Regional Studies  
in České Budějovice**

is hereby inviting you to the international scholarly conference

**Sustainable Development XIV:**

***“Europe and the Czech Republic in Times of Crisis”***

under the patronage

of the Minister for European Affairs of the Czech Republic Mr. Martin Dvořák,  
of the Governor of the South Bohemian Region Mr. Martin Kuba  
and the Mayor of the City of České Budějovice Mrs. Dagmar Škodová Parmová



**Date:**

**11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

**Place:**

**České Budějovice**



*The conference is addressed to the scholars, students, public institution officers, nonprofit organisation workers as well as entrepreneurs.*

## **Aims of conference:**

The International Conference on *Sustainable Development* is a platform for discussing current issues and trends in the sustainable development of EU regions. The conference also provides space for presenting research focused on practice in the fields of economics, management, political science, law and security sciences and space for responding to current events. In 2023, the conference aims to:

- Assess the impact of different crises (energy, financial, etc.) on citizens, companies, states and public budgets and their long-term sustainability.
- Assess the current situation, problems and challenges of the EU in 2023 (war in Ukraine, migration crisis, impacts of COVID-19, energy and food security, deepening the integration of the Czech Republic, the state of democracy in the EU, participation of citizens in European integration, Schengen, Europol, Eurojust, cooperation within selected EU policies, institutional reforms, different ideas about the future of the EU, sustainability of the EU's fundamental freedoms, internal and external security of the EU, development of European regions, etc.).
- Identify and analyse the possibilities of further qualitative and quantitative development of the standard of living of EU citizens in terms of current economic development.
- Characterize the overall strategic view of Europe and its future direction in the political, economic, social, security and environmental fields.
- Characterize current trends in security sciences in terms of detecting, clarifying, investigating and preventing crime or other anti-social activities.

**Official conference languages: Czech, Slovak, English**

## **OUTLINE OF THE CONFERENCE**

- 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – arrival of participants, informal meeting of participants
- 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – registration, plenary session, lunch, panel sessions, gala dinner (Budvar)
- 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – panel sessions, conclusions of conference, lunch, closing of conference

## **KEY CONFERENCE PANELS**

- I. Current Problems and Challenges of the European Union in the Times of Crisis (12<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**
- II. The Crisis of Democracy and the Perspectives of Solution (12<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**
- III. Current Reflection (Challenges) of Legal and Security Sciences in the Effective Fight Against Crime and Other Anti-Social activities (12<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**
- IV. Current Issues in the Theory and Practice of Law (12<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**
- V. Current Issues in Security Management – Challenges, Threats, Risks (12<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**
- VI. Digitalization and Artificial Intelligence: Current Trends and Challenges (12<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**
- VII. Current Trends and Challenges in Economics, Management and Public Administration (12<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**
- VIII. Sustainable Urban and Regional Development in EU Countries (12<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**
- IX. Public Administration – Municipal Politics and the Crisis of Democratic Governance (13<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**

## **ACCOMPANYING CONFERENCE PANELS (NO PUBLICATION OUTPUT)**

- X. Round Table of Civic Education in the Field of Sustainable Development (13<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**
- XI. Current Issues and Challenges of the EU – Special Section for Students of the College of European and Regional Studies (11<sup>th</sup> October 2023)**

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- for submitting registration WITH/WITHOUT contribution by **30<sup>th</sup> September 2023**
- for submitting a contribution to be published in the peer-reviewed conference monograph by **30<sup>th</sup> September 2023**
- for paying conference fee (payment on the spot is not possible) by **30<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

We are grateful that you follow the terms stated above. Information on conference: [info@vsers.cz](mailto:info@vsers.cz).

## Conference fee for academic staff and expert public:

- panels I-VIII + plenary session + gala dinner – 2,500 CZK (100 €),
- panel IX (participation only on Friday, October 13) – 1,000 CZK (40 €),
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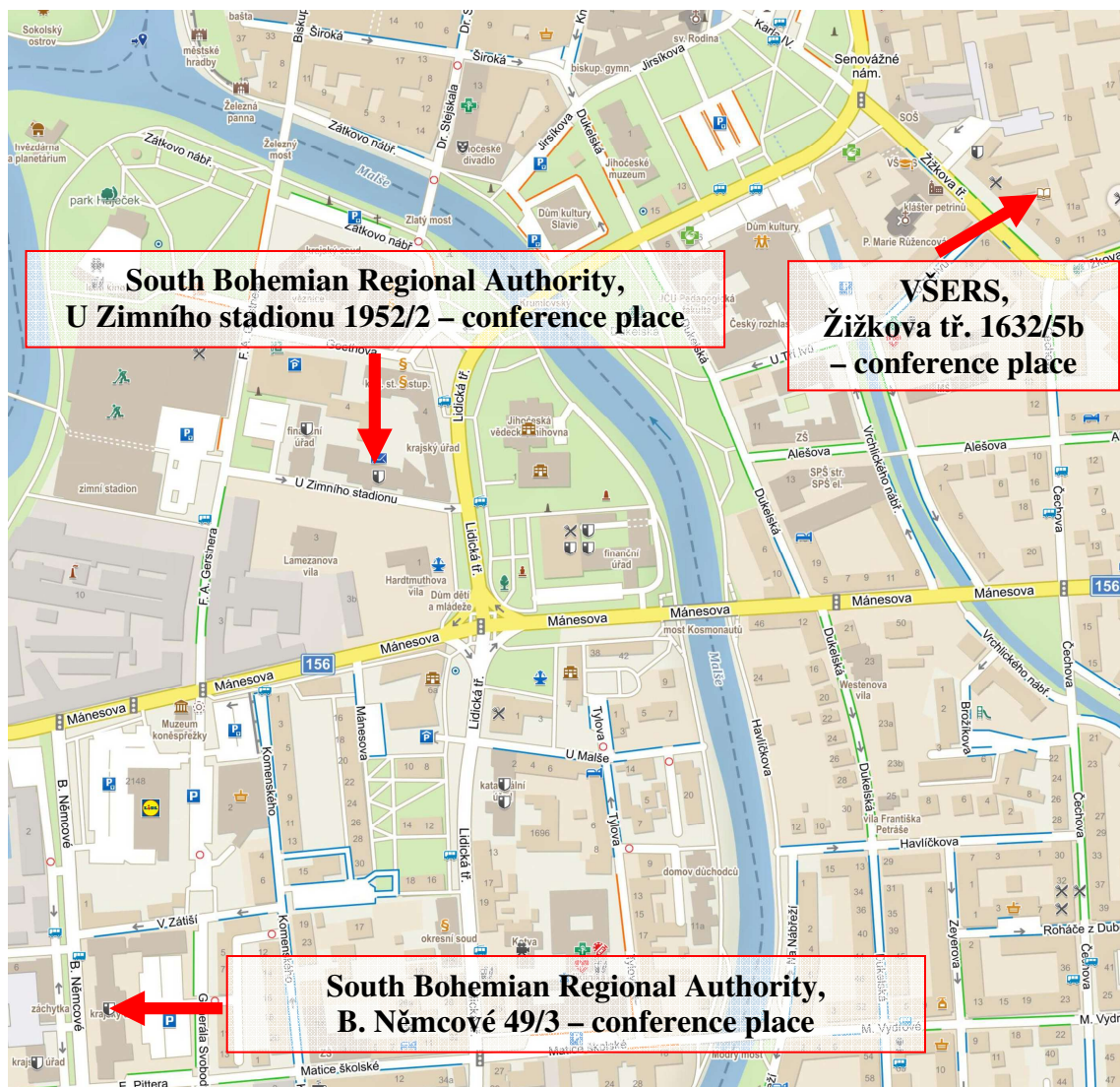
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