15th Korean Studies Graduate Students Conference in Europe 2018 – Rome, Italy

The KSGSC committee is pleased to announce the 15th convention for graduate students, hosted by Sapienza University of Rome, Italian Institute of Oriental Studies. The conference aims to give graduate students in all Korea-related fields an opportunity to present their research, share academic interests, and strengthen ties with other junior scholars.

This conference, now in its 15th edition, will follow the KSGSC’s history marked by successful previous conventions at Ruhr University, Bochum (2004), SOAS, London (2005), the Oriental Institute, Prague (2006), Edinburgh University (2007), Leiden University (2008), Moscow State University (2009), Babes-Bolyai University (2010), Maison de l’Asie, Paris (2011), University of Warsaw (2012), University of Helsinki (2013), Saint Petersburg State University (2014), the University of Malaga (2015), the University of Copenhagen (2016) and the University of Tübingen (2017).

The convention is organized by the KSGSC committee and is funded by the Academy of Korean Studies.

Venue and Dates
Venue: Sapienza University of Rome, Italy
Dates: 27th September – 29th September 2018

Schedule:
26th September: Arrival and Check in
27th September – 28th September: Conference (Full day)
29th September: Conference until 2PM

Eligibility and Support
Eligible Applicants:
MA students, PhD students, and post-docs who have received their PhD in the last two years. The conference is open to applicants from outside Europe but preference in the selection process will be given to students studying at European universities.

Accommodation and Meals:
Accommodation and meals will be provided to all accepted participants.

Transport:
We aim to offer the accepted participants based at European Universities (including Russia) a transport grant of around 130 Euro. Please, note that this is not a confirmed amount and may vary. Unfortunately, due to the restricted budget, we are not able to offer grants to participants who are based at non-European universities. Participants are encouraged to seek financial support from their own universities.
*PLEASE NOTE: Participants who wish to receive a grant will have to send their ticket and/or receipt by August 15th.

Presentations and Papers
All successful applicants will be expected to give a 30 minute presentation (20 minutes presentation + 10 minutes Q&A) and will have to submit their full paper (5-7 pages) by September 9th.

Application and Submission of Abstracts
Applicants should submit the following information by e-mail to ksgsc2018@gmail.com:

1) your full name as you would like it to appear in the abstract booklet
2) contact info (e-mail and telephone)
3) major area of study (region and discipline)
4) title of your paper
5) one-page (500 words max.) abstract in print-ready format, including your name and institution
The file with the paper & the information should be named as follows: LastnameNameKSGSC18.doc (e.g. JohnsonPeterKSGSC18.doc)

At the KSGSC’s AGM in 2015 it was decided that the KSGSC would accept applications and presentations in both English and Korean from 2016 onwards. We ask all applicants who wish to submit an abstract in Korean for a presentation in Korean to also submit a translation of their abstract in English as well as the Korean original. We do not expect Korean language paper submissions to also offer an English translation of their entire paper, though we at the KSGSC would certainly welcome them.

You will be sent a confirmation that your application has been received. If you do not receive a confirmation within 5 days after you sent it, please, send your application over again.

Application Period
The deadline for applications is June 3rd, 2018.
We will contact all applicants at the middle of June regarding the acceptance of their application.

Cancelling Your Participation
We would like to receive applications only from those who are definitely able to attend the convention. Please, bear in mind that applicants who confirm and then later cancel their participation potentially deprive others of the chance of attending and lead to waste of KSGSC resources.
*Please, note that any participants who cancel after July 29th may be liable to pay the hotel expenses and may be restricted from attending future KSGSC conferences.

Organizer contact details: email: ksgsc2018@gmail.com (The KSGSC committee)
IMPORTANT DATES for the Convention
Convention dates: September 27th – September 29th, 2018
Application deadline: June 3rd, 2018
Last date to cancel your participation: July 29th, 2018
Ticket submission: by August 15th, 2018
Submit your full paper: by September 9th, 2018