Border Changes in 20th Century Europe

University of Tartu (Tartu)

General Informations:

International Conference »Border Changes in 20th Century Europe«, organised by the Centre for the Study of Soviet History, University of Tartu, Estonia.

Date: February 2-4, 2005.

Location: Centre for the Study of Soviet History, University of Tartu, Lossi 3-409, 51000 Tartu, Estonia.

Deadline for submission: November 15, 2004.

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In 20th century Europe, empires broke down, new states were formed, others were occupied and two world wars devastated large areas. Border changes created minorities, international problems and sometimes these were accompanied by violence and ethnic cleansing. Economic ties were cut and others established. The organisers invite proposals for papers on all aspects of border change in 20th century Europe. The comparison between different regions and long-term studies are encouraged.

The conference is being organised by the Centre for the Study of Soviet History, the University of Tartu. It will take place in Tartu, the traditional educational centre of Estonia, on the date of the 85th anniversary of the Tartu peace treaty, which ended the war between Estonia and Soviet Russia and which started international recognition of the Soviet government. Tartu is located three hours by bus from the Estonian capital Tallinn, has approximately 100,000 inhabitants and is a true university town.

The organisers provide board and accommodation and there is additional funding to cover part of the travel costs. Selected papers will be published later in a conference volume.

Please send your proposal for a paper (250-300 words) and a short CV, no later than 15 November 2004, by e-mail to the local organiser - Dr. Olaf Mertelsmann.

