

CALL FOR WORKING PAPERS

Summer 2023

1. Introduction to China-CEE Institute

The China-CEE Institute is established by the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, registered as a non-profit corporation in Budapest, Hungary. The China-CEE Institute promotes partnerships with academic institutions in Hungary and other European countries. It welcomes researchers in European countries to conduct joint research, lecture, and publications. Our mission is to deepen mutual understanding and facilitate academic exchanges between China and Europe.

2. The Topics of Working Papers 2023

➤ **Challenges and Prospects for European Security Order in the New Geopolitical Environment.**

The outbreak of the Russia-Ukraine conflict has brought about major changes in Europe's geopolitical environment. To cope with these changes, European countries are revising their security strategies, especially those in Central and Eastern Europe, Northern Europe, and Germany. These changes and adjustments in national security strategies are reshaping the European security landscape and have multidimensional impacts on transatlantic security cooperation (such as NATO).

Thus, these national security strategies' objectives, policy shifts, outcomes, and effects warrant thorough analysis and research.

➤ **Analysis of the Changing Balance of Power within the European Union in the Process of European Integration**

After the Russia-Ukraine conflict outbreak, the EU adjusted its foreign policy, leading to significant changes in the political landscape. As a result, Central and Eastern European (CEE) countries have gained further influence in the decision-making process of the European Union.

Does this mean that there is a power shift from west to east in the process of European integration? What is the new trend of Central and Eastern European countries' involvement in European integration? What kind of impact do CEE countries have on EU policies in areas such as democratic reforms, rule of law, refugee issues, green economy, and digital sovereignty? What kind of influence and role will CEE countries play in the EU relations with international major powers such as the United States, Russia and China? What are the main internal and external factors that motivate the EU enlargement? And what are the chances for the Western Balkan countries to join the EU in the future?

➤ **The Process, Models, Challenges and Prospects of European Modernization**

European countries have been leaders in modernization, and their development models, paths, and prospects are worth in-depth analysis. This theme framework includes the following aspects:

-The post-modernization development paths and models in Europe since the 1990s (focusing on sustainable, digital, green, and innovative forms of modernization);

-The development paths of modernization or industrialization in different regions of Europe since the 1990s (Western Europe, Northern Europe, Southern Europe, Baltic countries, and Central and Eastern Europe);

- The challenges and future prospects of modernization development in Central and Eastern European countries after the transformation.

3. Requirements for working papers

- The words of working papers should be **around 5000 words** in English,
- Co-authoring is possible.
- All citations and quotations should be verified before submission of the manuscript. The preferred referencing style is the American Psychological Association (APA) style.
- Working papers are required to comply with academic writing norms. The papers should be structured in an academic structure, including abstract, introduction, methodology, research results, conclusions, references, and footnotes.
- Applicants are explicitly discouraged from submitting papers that
 - do not present the above topics;
 - do not provide significant advances compared with existing research

4. Submission Guidelines

- Please submit an abstract in English with no more than **250 words** before **15. July 2023**.
- Confirmation of acceptance of the abstracts will be sent out by **01. August 2023**.
- The deadline for submitting the full paper is **01. October 2023**.
- Manuscripts should be submitted electronically, in Word format, to the following email address: huang.mengmeng@China-cee.eu

5. Review Process

- Papers will be reviewed by the peer reviewers of the China-CEE Institute.
- Papers will be reviewed for their objectivity, originality and scientificity.

6. Remuneration:

- The authors, whose abstracts are accepted, will sign a contract with China-CEE Institute. According to the contract, China-CEE Institute provides **550 €** as writing remuneration for each working paper.
- Once accepted by China-CEE Institute, the papers will be published in the working paper series of the China-CEE Institute. They will also be possibly published in a book format by China-CEE Institute in the future.
- The intellectual property of the accepted paper will be in the possession of China-CEE Institute, and the contract will be signed between the author(s) and China-CEE Institute.

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