



Plovdiv, Bulgaria
9 - 12 June 2010

8th International Conference Comparative Education and Teacher Training

Organized by the Bulgarian Comparative
Education Society



The 8th International Conference on *Comparative Education and Teacher Training* organized by the Bulgarian Comparative Education Society will be held in **Plovdiv, Bulgaria, 9 - 12 June 2010**.

Plovdiv is located in the Southern-Central part of Bulgaria, along the two banks of the river Maritza, approximately 150 km (94 miles) southeast of the Bulgarian capital Sofia. Plovdiv is very old, it is one of the oldest cities in Europe.

Thematic Sections

1. Comparative Education as a University Discipline

Section Chair: Prof. Dr. Charl Wolhuter, North-West University, South Africa, Charl.Wolhuter@nwu.ac.za

2. Pre-service and In-service Teacher Training

Section Chair: Prof. Dr. Bruno Leutwyler, Teacher Training University of Central Switzerland, bruno.leutwyler@phz.ch

3. Education Policy and Reforms

Section Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Marinela Mihova, University of Veliko Turnovo, Bulgaria, marinela.mihova@gmail.com

4. Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Social Inclusion

Section Chair: Dr. James Ogunleye, University of Greenwich, England, J.Ogunleye@gre.ac.uk

5. School Leadership

Section Chair: Prof. Philippe Remy, Haute Ecole Paul-Henri Spaak, Belgium, phremy@scarlet.be

William Fletcher Russell (1890-1956) Panel

Panel Chair: Prof. Dr.habil. Nikolay Popov, Sofia University, Bulgaria, npopov@fnpp.uni-sofia.bg



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Call for Papers

Participants are invited to submit papers.

- Papers' length should be up to 2400 words. Papers should consist of: name(s) of author(s); title; abstract; main text; references (in any).
- No tables, graphs, figures or pictures are accepted.
- **Papers accepted for publication will be included in the Conference book, Vol. 8, 2010**, that will be published before the beginning of the conference.
- Each participant receives a free copy of the book.
- The deadline for submitting the full text of papers is **1 March 2010**.
- Papers submitted after 1 March 2010 may be presented at the Conference but they cannot be published in the Conference book.

Conference format

The Conference is purposefully planned to be a small and high-quality international event. The small conference format aims to give participants a friendly, homey and cozy environment providing excellent opportunities for contacts, presentations and discussions.

Registration

Registration fees	Amount	Deadline
1. Standard registration fee	EUR 235	1 March 2010
2. Registration fee for participant in previous BCES conferences	EUR 190	1 March 2010
3. Late registration fee	EUR 265	After 1 March 2010
4. Registration fee for accompanying person	EUR 120	1 March 2010

What the registration fees cover	Registration fees			
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Participation in conference sessions and coffee/tea breaks	✓	✓	✓	✓
Publication of paper (if any) in the conference book	✓	✓	-	-
Conference materials	✓	✓	✓	-
Free copy of the conference book	✓	✓	✓	-
Welcome cocktail on 9 June 2010 in Leipzig Hotel in Plovdiv	✓	✓	✓	✓
3 lunches on 10, 11, 12 June 2010 in Leipzig Hotel in Plovdiv	✓	✓	✓	✓
Official dinner on 12 June 2010 in Leipzig Hotel in Plovdiv	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cultural tour in Plovdiv on 12 June: English guide, museum tickets included	✓	✓	✓	✓

The bank transfer is the method of payment. Please contact the Conference Chair for BCES bank account's details. The conference registration will be confirmed upon receipt of the registration fee. In case of cancellation, there will be no refund of registration fees.

Conference Venue

Leipzig Hotel in Plovdiv is the Conference venue. The hotel is situated in the town center.

Address: 70 Blvd Ruski, 4002 Plovdiv, Bulgaria
tel: +359 32 / 654 000; 654 044; 654 053
fax: +359 32 / 643 404
www.leipzig.bg

Accommodation

Accommodation in Plovdiv

The Conference organizers will reserve rooms for participants in **Leipzig Hotel in Plovdiv**. The hotel offers comfortable conditions for relaxation and meetings.

Hotel prices in Leipzig Hotel are (breakfast included):

- ◆ Single room: 31 euros (59 lv)
- ◆ Double room: 41 euros (79 lv)

Accommodation in Sofia

If any participants need accommodation in Sofia before going to Plovdiv, the Conference organizers can reserve rooms for them in Sofia. Hotel prices in Sofia are: 40 - 50 euros (single room) and 45 - 60 euros (double room).

Sofia Airport - Leipzig Hotel Plovdiv Bus Shuttle

Aiming at assisting participants to quickly move from Sofia Airport to Leipzig Hotel in Plovdiv, the BCES will organize a bus shuttle. The shuttle trip from Sofia to Plovdiv takes 2 hours.

Please contact the organizers about the shuttle schedule.

Deadline

The deadline for standard registration and paper submission for the conference book is **1 March 2010**.

Contact

For more information please visit the conference website: <http://bc.es.conference.tripod.com/> or contact the Conference Chair, Prof. Dr.habil. Nikolay Popov, npopov@fnpp.uni-sofia.bg

Preliminary Conference Program

Wednesday, 9 June 2010: *Arrival at Sofia Airport & Transportation to Leipzig Hotel in Plovdiv*

14.00 – 20.00	Registration & non-formal meetings Leipzig Hotel, 70 Blvd Ruski, 4002 Plovdiv
20.00	Welcome Cocktail: Restaurant of Leipzig Hotel

Thursday, 10 June 2010: *Conference work*

09.00 – 11.00	Opening, followed by Parallel Thematic Sections
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee / tea break
11.30 – 13.00	Parallel Thematic Sections
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch: Restaurant of Leipzig Hotel
14.00 – 15.30	Parallel Thematic Sections
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee / tea break
16.00 – 17.30	Parallel Thematic Sections

Friday, 11 June 2010: *Conference work*

09.30 – 11.00	Parallel Thematic Sections
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee / tea break
11.30 – 13.00	Parallel Thematic Sections
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch: Restaurant of Leipzig Hotel
14.00 – 15.30	Parallel Thematic Sections
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee / tea break
16.00 – 17.30	Parallel Thematic Sections

Saturday, 12 June 2010: *Conference work, Closing & Cultural tour around Plovdiv*

09.30 – 11.00	Parallel Thematic Sections
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee / tea break
11.30 – 13.00	Closing, Generations, Giving Certificates of Participation
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch: Restaurant of Leipzig Hotel
14.00 – 17.00	Cultural walking tour around the Old Plovdiv (English guide and museum tickets included)
20.00	Farewell Dinner: Restaurant of Leipzig Hotel

Sunday, 13 July 2009: *Departure*