

“The Future of the Western Balkans”

Call for student’s essays on EU policies and reconciliation in WB

1. The Call is organized in the frame of the EU sponsored project “Academic network supporting the EU policy towards Western Balkans with emphasis on regional cooperation based on reconciliation – ANETREC” in which take part 10 universities and research institutions from Albania, Bosna and Herzegovina, Croatia, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, and Slovenia. More information about the project can be found on the website: www.anetrec.eu.

2. The student’s call for essays will provide young people with the opportunity to express their opinions on different aspects of the EU policy towards the Western Balkans with emphasis on regional cooperation based on reconciliation. Particularly, it is commendable that the students write the essays on the impact of the EU policy on the situation in their countries (justice; human rights and elimination of discrimination; freedom of religion; mass media; the situation of civil society institutions and organisations; the impact on economy and socio-economic circumstances and the similar). The proposed topics for essays can be found in the Appendix 2.

3. We are pleased to invite the prospective authors to prepare the essays between 3000-4000 words in English in line with Technical guidance (see Appendix 3) and to submit them until 30 June 2021 to Sarina Bakić (project coordinator) at sarina.bakic@fjn.unsa.ba and Samir Forić (project team member) at samir.foric@fjn.unsa.ba.

4. Essays will be evaluated by the Evaluation Commission at the Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Sarajevo consisting of: doc. dr. Sarina Bakić, doc. dr. Samir Forić and prof. dr. Hamza Karčić.

5. Up to five students will selected to participate in the ANETREC *Summer School* in Bitola (Northern Macedonia) that will be held in July 2022, along with students of other partner universities participating in the project.

The purpose of the Summer School is to enhance critical debate, share views and ideas of students and professors on the most important questions referring to reconciliation and EU integration processes and to stimulate the development of further research among students and professors and establish networking. The students will have, among other, the opportunity to follow actively the lectures by distinguished scholars and to be the organisers of the presentation and discussion of their essays. Students will also be awarded with *certificates* by the ANETREC Coordinator (ISCOMET Maribor).

For more information about the Call please contact Samir Forić at samir.foric@fjn.unsa.ba.