**CONFERENCE “THE GREAT WAR IN THE COMMON MEMORY”**

*14 June 2019, City Art Gallery “Boris Goergiev”*

1 Ljuben Karavelov Str., 9002 Varna, Bulgaria

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The Conference is part of the project NETWORLD - Networking in preserving the First World War multicultural heritage in the Danube countries, Danube Transnational Program. The project is co-funded by the European Union Funds (ERDF, IPA). The host organizations are Varna Economic Development Agency and the Regional History Museum Dobrich.

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| **9:00 - 9:30** | * **Tour around the Art Gallery with an English language guide** (optional) |
| **9:30 - 10:00** | * **Registration of participants**   Coffee and networking |
| **10:00 – 10:15** | * **Opening Ceremony**   Welcome addresses:   * Mr. Krasimir Karakachanov, Minister of Defence in the Republic of Bulgaria (to be confirmed officially ) * Mr. Ivan Portnih, Mayor of Varna Municipality - (to be confirmed officially ) * Mr. Georgi Nedev, Mayor of City Region “Odesos” * Mr. Metodi Nikolov, Chairman of Varna Economic Development Agency * Ms. Vesna Kozar – NETWORLD Project Manager |
| **10:15 – 11:15** | * **Panel of Presentations** * Networld project results and achievements backed up with a project video - Ms. Vesna Kozar– Soca Valley Development Centre (Slovenia) * “The Walk of Peace from the Alps to the Adriatic– Heritage of the First World War” - Ms. Maša Klavora and Mr Tadej Koren, The Walk of Peace in the Soča Region Foundation (Slovenia) * "… to be confirmed …………." - Mr. Dávid Fröhlich , Ministry of Defence, Military History Institute and Museum (Hungary) * ………… ( expected other speakers’ confirmation) |
| 11:15-11:45 | * **Coffee break** * Presenting NETWORLD Exhibition “Maritime Education in Bulgaria and the First World War” - Ms. Todorka Dimitrova, Varna Economic Development Agency |
| 11:45 – 13:00 | * **Panel of Presentations** * Yordan Yovkov as War Correspondent in Dobroudzha during the First World War - Dr. Kremena Miteva, Regional History Museum - Dobrich * Military cemeteries in Silistra in the common memory of the war. – Ms. Vera Mileva, Regional History Museum – Silistra * 100 years later. Known places, different challenges. – Ms. Nadezhda Ivanova, Regional History Museum – Dobrich * …………… ( to be confirmed) – Mr. Radoslav Simeonov, Ministry of Defence, National Military History Museum – Sofia * …………….– Mr. Vladimir Slavchev or other - Representative of Varna Regional History Museum / Archaeological Museum (to be confirmed) * …………….... – Mr. Trayan ………..- Representative – Museum of Varna History (to be confirmed) |
| 13:00- 14:30 | * **Lunch**   Restaurant … ( to be confirmed) |
| 14:30 – 15:30 | Travel to Dobrich |
| 15:30 – 17:30 | * **First World War cultural heritage in Dobrudzha** * Observation Visits to the Complex Military Cemetery – Dobrich with presentation of results from the NETWORLD small-scale investments to improve cemetery‘s infrastructure and tombstones * Examining the NETWORLD Exhibition “Liberation of Dobrudzha during the First World War “ at the Regional History Museum – Dobrich * Presentation of exponents from the Fist World War at the Cultural in the name of Yordan Yovkov - a writer and participant in the War |
| 17:30 – 18:30 | Travel back to Varna |
| 19:30 – 21:00 | Dinner – restaurant ( to be confirmed) |