The Establishment of the Kazakhstan Association of Eurasian, Russian and Central Asian Studies

The modern world is changing rapidly, erasing boundaries, opening up new opportunities. Education and career abroad and international partnerships are increasingly available.

In March 2014 a public Association for Eurasian, Russian and Central Asian Studies was registered in the capital of Kazakhstan Astana, whose initiators and founders are the scientists of the L. Gumilev Eurasian National University (ENU), Kazakhstan branch of the Moscow State University, the Al-Farabi Kazakh National University and K. Zhubanov Aktobe Regional State University.

The establishment of the association was preceded by years of each founder’s individual work in building ties between scientists in the humanities on the international and post-Soviet space. Their participation in international programs at various levels was conducive to the development of fruitful scientific interaction and exchange of experience both in research and education. The founders of the Association are familiar with academic standards and practices in the scientific communities in CIS, the U.S., Western Europe, India, China and Japan.

One of the main objectives of the Association is to develop the social and academic environment conducive to free expression and dissemination of humanities knowledge. The Association is founded for the purposes of incorporation of the efforts of the scientist - historians, archives, philologists, sociologists, politicians, economists,
notaries, cultural specialists, philosophy experts, religious scholars, as well as the representatives of other interested professions for enhanced studying and analysis of actual problems of the development of Eurasia states in both ancient times and contemporary time.

Among the objectives of the Association is also holding of scientific conferences, workshops, round tables for more actual problems of humanitarian knowledge of the studied scientific area together with interested national and foreign organizations.

Support of young scientists and professionals, able to develop new research directions is indispensable. Furthermore, to enhance the competitiveness of Kazakhstan science, joint research work with international professionals is required.

Currently, the Association members are preparing for the 6th East Asian Conference "Building Eurasian Cooperation Network: Dynamism and Tasks" in Seoul, June 27th - 28th, 2014, and for the ICCEES World Congress 2015 in Makuhari.

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