



FACULTY OF EDUCATION



TRAKIA UNIVERSITY – STARA ZAGORA, BULGARIA

organizes

XVII INTERNATIONAL BALKAN EDUCATION AND SCIENCE CONGRESS

on the topic of

EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE GROWTH: HUMANS, TECHNOLOGY AND ETHICS

September 24 – 26, 2026 | Sunny Beach, Bulgaria

Co-organizers of the congress:

Trakya University (Turkey), Ss. Cyril and Methodius University (North Macedonia),
University of Zagreb (Croatia), University of Ioannina (Greece),
University of Kragujevac (Serbia), University of Pristina (Kosovo)

Esteemed Colleagues,

We kindly invite you to participate in the XVII International Balkan Congress. The holding of the annual Balkan Pedagogical Forums, which have established themselves as traditional integrative intellectual platforms, is a logical and expected reflection of a long-standing institutional partnership.

The organizers of the upcoming scientific congress have the ambition to continue and expand the existing good pedagogical practices and to host the forum in compliance with the highest European standards, by providing optimal conditions for professional communication between scientists, experts, psychologists and educators from different countries.

Thematic Sections

- Philosophy, Sociology and Psychology of Education
- Digital Transformation in Education and Ethical Challenges
- Inclusive Education and a Positive Educational Environment
- Languages and Intercultural Communication
- Interdisciplinary Educational Projections

Official languages: Bulgarian and English

Important Dates

Event	Deadline
Early registration	until July 31, 2026
Late registration	until August 15, 2026
Early registration confirmation	until August 05, 2026
Late registration confirmation	until August 20, 2026
Payment – early registrations	until August 10, 2026
Payment – late registrations	until September 01, 2026
Full text submission for publication	until November 01, 2026

Abstract Submission

The abstract should be no more than 300 words and should include original contributions, a clearly defined research problem, objectives, methods, results, a conclusion and up to seven keywords. Congress participants can present a maximum of two reports, one paper in which they are the primary author and one paper in which they are co-authors.

Abstracts should be submitted through the on-line system. Participants can access the **congress website** (<https://sites.google.com/trakia-uni.bg/2026/homeen>) and register by filling out the **online registration form**: (<https://forms.gle/FbtYALgYNDSyNE219>)

Publication

Accepted papers will be published, following peer review, in the *Yearbook of the Faculty of Education*, Trakia University – Stara Zagora, the *Student Almanac* of the Faculty of Education (for students and PhD students), or in the *Trakia Journal of Sciences*, Section Social Sciences (English-language publications only).

Conference Fees

Category	Registration fee (until Aug 15)	Bulgaria (until Aug 15)	Late registration fee (until September 01)
Participant (primary author)	120 EUR	80 EUR	150 EUR
Co-author	80 EUR	60 EUR	150 EUR
PhD student	80 EUR	60 EUR	150 EUR
Student	60 EUR	40 EUR	150 EUR
Audience & Accompanying Person	80 EUR	60 EUR	150 EUR

The fee includes congress materials, publication of reports, and the official dinner. Fees are payable by bank transfer only.

Bank account:

UniCredit Bulbank
IBAN: BG 60 UNCR 7630 3100 1176 08
BIC: UNCRBGSF
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Venue & Accommodation

Dream Sunny Beach Resort & Spa 5★

Location: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/pJF19gFU8zqCTrSP6> (google.maps)

— Sunny Beach, Bulgaria | All Inclusive (Unlimited-Luxury basis)



Room Type	Price per night
Double room (1–2 nights)	53 EUR / person
Double room (min. 3 nights)	48 EUR / person
Single room (1–2 nights)	71 EUR / person
Single room (min. 3 nights)	60 EUR / person
Twin room (1–2 nights)	58 EUR / person
Twin room (min. 3 nights)	53 EUR / person

Price includes: pool access, sun loungers & parasols, high-speed Wi-Fi, tourist tax, mandatory hotel insurance, 9% VAT.

Parking: 16 EUR/day (car) | 55 EUR/day (minibus/bus)

Check-in: after 3:00 p.m.

Check-out: before 11:00 a.m.

Accommodation starts with lunch on arrival day.

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