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Concept Note

The contemporary world order is witnessing profound transformations driven by geopolitical rivalries, armed conflicts, economic fragmentation, technological disruption, climate change, migration, pandemics, and shifting power balances. These developments have created an increasingly turbulent global environment, challenging the effectiveness and resilience of regional organisations. In this context, regional integration has become more than an economic project; it is a critical instrument for promoting peace, stability, prosperity, collective security, and sustainable development. The European Union (EU), as the world's most advanced and institutionalised model of regional integration, offers important lessons on managing diversity, deepening economic integration, strengthening democratic governance, responding to crises, and enhancing strategic autonomy. At the same time, the EU continues to confront complex challenges, including geopolitical competition, energy security, migration, democratic backsliding, and the evolving international order. Its experience provides valuable insights into both the achievements and limitations of regional integration. Beyond Europe, regional organisations such as ASEAN, African Union, MERCOSUR, Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), Pacific Islands Forum, and other regional initiatives are developing distinct approaches to cooperation shaped by their unique political, economic, and security contexts. Examining these global experiences enables comparative analysis, encourages policy learning, and deepens understanding of how regionalism can respond to shared transnational challenges.

This international conference aims to bring together scholars, researchers, policymakers, and practitioners to critically examine the evolving dynamics of regional integration in a turbulent world. By exploring the European Union's experience alongside diverse global perspectives, the conference seeks to foster interdisciplinary dialogue on the future of regional cooperation and its role in strengthening a stable, resilient, and rules-based international order. As the first stage of participation, abstracts are invited on the conference theme and related areas.

Submission Guidelines

- Abstracts should be 300-350 words and sent to eumrjnu@gmail.com
- Include the paper title, author's name(s), institutional affiliation, designation, email address, and 4–5 keywords.
- Abstracts should clearly indicate the research question, methodology, and key findings or arguments.
- Selected participants will be invited to submit full papers.
- Full papers should normally be 5000-6000 words and follow APA citation style.
- Selected papers will be published as a Book.

Important Dates

- Last Date for Abstract Submission: 25 July 2026
- Notification of Acceptance: 01 August 2026
- Submission of First Draft of Paper: 01 September 2026

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