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Dear Madam / Sir,

It is our great pleasure to inform you that the City of Nis in cooperation with the University of Nis and the Ortodox Niš Eparchy organizes the 15th International Symposium of Byzantologists "NIŠ AND BYZANTIUM", which will be held from 3rd to 5th June 2016 within framework of marking the city Festivities of St. Emperor Constantine and Empress Helen.

The Symposium shall gather renowned researchers of our past on the Day of Saints Czar Constantine and Czarina Helena, with the purpose of informing the European scholarly public about the significance of Niš for the entire Christian world. The intention of the Symposium organizers is to contribute to a more comprehensive understanding of the Early-Christian, Byzantine and Post-Byzantine past of Niš, as well as of its reverberations to the later spiritual, cultural and artistic creative endeavors in Niš and its surrounding area, the Balkans and Europe. This would imply the interdisciplinary approach and the participation of art historians, historians, architects, archaeologists, classical philologists, literature-historians, theologians, philosophers. Find more on: http://www.nisandbyzantium.org.rs/english.php

The presented papers shall be published in the *Proceedings* of the Symposium that shall be promoted on the first day of the next meeting in 2017. The participants have to furnish the organizers with their respective papers together with complete scientific references by November 2016.

Highly appreciating your work and the results achieved in the field of medieval studies and the influence of the Byzantine world on modern Europe, we kindly invite you to take part in the 15th International Symposium "NIŠ AND BYZANTIUM", this year with symbolic dedication title Byzantium across time and space.

The Symposium organizers shall cover the accommodation and meal expenses for the participants whose work paper is accepted for the presentation.

The deadline for paper submission is 10.05.2016, to the following addresses:

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