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Eastern Europe has disappeared, first, in the reemergence of the distinction between Central and Balkan Europe, and second, in the integration of the former to the European Union.

Eastern Europe is dead, long live Southeastern Europe.

Transitology is out of fashion. What comes next? The Journal does not aim at constructing a new single paradigm but to be a pioneer in contextualization and conceptualization of Southeast European developments.

Three pillars build its theoretical universe:

- Pluridisciplinarity – political science, history, sociology, law, anthropology, cultural studies;
- Interdisciplinarity – issues like nationalism, ethnicity, human rights do not belong to any particular discipline and need the contribution of several of them;
- Comparative approach often replaces verification in social sciences and gives a theoretical background for “measuring” the uniqueness or commonness of the phenomena.

The journal has interest in both:

- Results of theoretical research;
- Informed policy debate, implications of research for policy innovation, analysis of the outcome of previous initiatives.

The journal is published by Charles **Schlacks** in California. It has already issued 30 volumes and has been mainly distributed in the USA. The publisher offered the Europe&Balkans network to take on the leadership of the Journal. Our ambition is to develop it in a peer reviewed journal with high scientific visibility in both the USA and Europe.

The journal has been published annually. From 2007 it will become *biannual*.

The content is structured in five parts:

- *Editor's essay* focusing on the a different aspect and encouraging the reader to explore the region within the parameters set by the editorial leadership;
- *Articles* of 20-25 pages (36,000-45,000 signs) on variety of topics. Every article is accompanied by a summary;
- *Scholar interview in dept of a political personality*, critically evaluated by another scholar;
- *Book reviews*:
 - *Major review essay* – two separate reviews of the same book and an author's reply;
 - *Books received* – short presentations of books in non English and non western language publications;
- *News* – information for the intellectual life in the region: innovative initiatives, new institutes, important international conferences, etc.

The structure includes also two types of information:

- *Notes on contributors*;
- *Notes for contributors*.

“Southeastern Europe” is a *refereed journal*. Every article is evaluated by two referees.

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