

Faculty of Philosophy of the Pontifical University of John Paul II in Krakow

Non-Governmental Organization "Dialogues of Cultures" in Vilnius

Northwestern University Research Initiative for the Study
of Russian Philosophy and Religious Thought

LEV KARSAVIN: THE WAY OF THE RUSSIAN PHILOSOPHER IN LITHUANIA

Lev Platonovich Karsavin (1882–1952), a follower of Vladimir Solovyov's metaphysics of unity, was a prominent Russian religious philosopher, Eurasianist, and personalist. His Lithuanian period represents a little-studied stage in his intellectual evolution, one rich in theoretical and historical-philosophical significance. During this period, the philosopher worked at Kaunas University (1928–1940) and later at Vilnius University, until his forced repatriation to Russia in 1949. During this time his books *On Personality* (1929) and *Poem about Death* (1931) were published in Russian, while *Istorijos teorija* ("Theory of History," 1929) and the multi-volume work *Europos kultūros istorija* ("History of European Culture," 1931-1937) were also published in Lithuanian, along with numerous articles. Karsavin's life and ideas, especially his philosophical journey in Lithuania, can serve as an example of perseverance, creative exploration, and of respect for the dignity of individuals and peoples—all within the difficult context of Russian-Lithuanian relations in the 20th and 21st centuries. This remains particularly relevant in our time.

DATES: March 1–2, 2024

VENUE: Vilnius, Trimitų St. 6-39, NGO "Dialogues of Cultures" (Lithuania)

WORKING LANGUAGES: English and Russian

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Studies in East European Thought (SEET)

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APPLICATION

Please complete this Application Form before December 15, 2023:

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By December 31, 2023 we will announce the final list of accepted applications.

PUBLICATION

Following the conference, a special issue of the journal *Studies in East European Thought* will be devoted to Karsavin's heritage. Conference speakers will be invited to submit their papers for consideration for publication, according to the journal's usual standards and policies.

ACCOMMODATION

Participants are asked to make their own hotel reservations.

FEE: The conference fee is 200 EUR

BANK TRANSFER DETAILS

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