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Dear Readers,

The Association "Rus" (Chişinău, Moldova) and Tomsk State University (Russia) launch a new journal called "Rusin Studies. An Abstracts Journal".

The publication of reviews of issued monographs, articles on the history, ethnology, culture and language of Rusins is the aim of the "Rusin Studies. An Abstracts Journal".

The journal will be published in English once a year.

The full-text versions of the published issues can be found on the journal's website: http://journals.tsu.ru/rusin\_studies.

Every article is indexed in CrossRef and provided with unique DOI.

The first issue of the journal contains the summaries/abstracts of a number of articles on Rusin topics published in the "Rusin" journal during the period from 2011 to 2015.

Abstracts of articles have been presented by their authors in the original language and translated by the editors.

Currently, the international historical journal "Rusin" is the world's only scientific periodical offering an insight into the history, culture, language, and ethnography of the Rusins (Rusnaks) who are the indigenous population of the Carpathian-Dniester lands.

In 2011 the "Rusin" journal got indexed in the world's largest abstract and citation database Scopus.

In 2015 it fell into the highest quartile Q1 in the category of history.

The Rusin presents the abstracts of the articles by such historians as Yuri V. Danilets, Mikhail K. Iurasov, Sergey G. Sulyak, ethnologists Vasilii V. Kotsan, Tatiana Ya. Sologub-Kotsan, linguists Inessa I. Babenko, Olga V. Orlova, Zoya I. Rezanova, Konstantin S. Shilyaev, Dmitry A. Katunin and Galina N. Starikova. The abstracts fall into the following categories: History, Anthropology, Linguistics and Language.

In our opinion, the issue of "Rusin Studies. An Abstracts Journal" will contribute to the strengthening of international cooperation and joint activities of specialists from different countries. This will lead to a more active study of the history, culture, language and customs of the Carpathian-Dniester indigenous population.

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