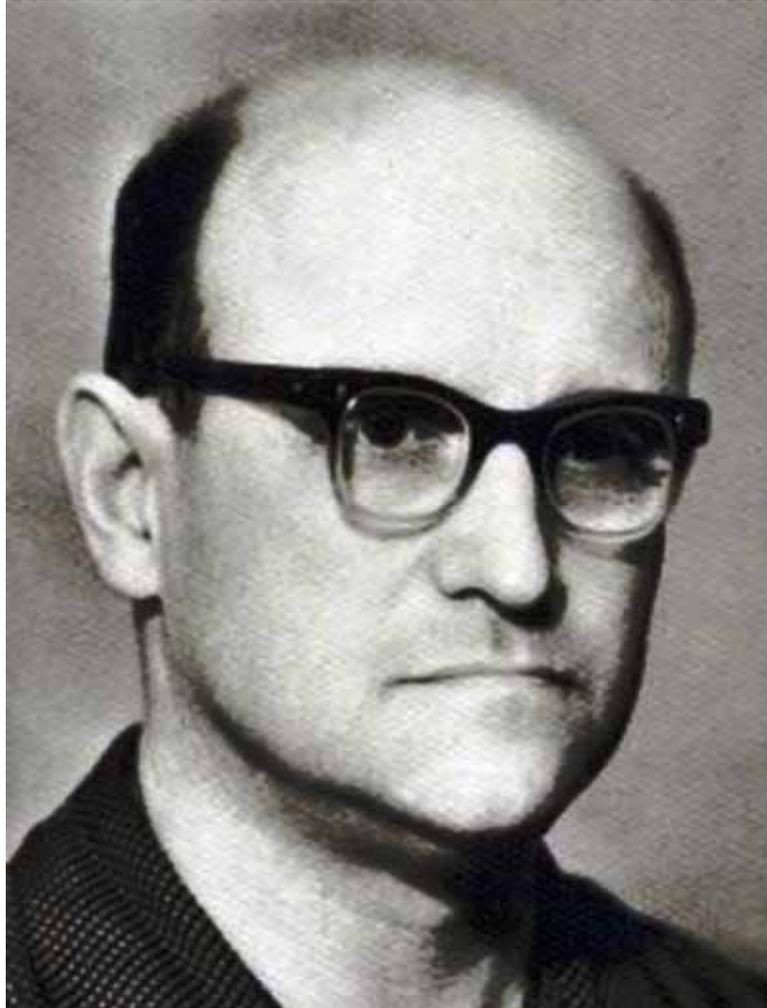


## **Dear friends/colleagues!**

In November 2013 we are going to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Solomon M. Stam, the Honorary Professor of Saratov State University, a prominent Russian researcher of the Middle Ages, the founder of Saratov school of researchers of medieval city.



Solomon M. Stam (1913-2010) is an outstanding Russian historian, a researcher of the Middle Ages, a Doctor of History, an Honorary Professor of Saratov State university. He took part in the Great Patriotic war and was awarded The First Class order of the civil war and 15 medals.

He graduated from Moscow Institute of History, Philosophy and Literature and was the student of Academician Sergey D. Skazkine.

He worked in the Department of Medieval History of Saratov State University for over 50 years, 42 of which (1949-1991) he was the head of the Department. In his doctoral thesis “Economic and Social Development of an Early City (Toulouse in the XI-XIII centuries)” he worked out an original conception of history of a medieval city. Owing to his supervision and guidance a scientific school of history of a medieval city in Western Europe, which won recognition in Russia and abroad, appeared in Saratov. From the middle of the 1970s he concentrated his attention mainly on the ideological content of the Renaissance Art. Solomon Stam was a member of London society of the Renaissance studies.

The Department of Middle Ages is planning several events devoted to this anniversary. The focal point is a conference/

The Institute of History and International Relations of Saratov State University and the Department of Medieval History are calling on all scholars, researchers, lecturers, the staff of the archives and museums, on everyone who remembers and honors the name of Solomon M. Stam to participate in

**The International Scientific conference**  
**“A European City and the Culture of the Renaissance”**,  
**devoted to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Honorary Professor of Saratov State**  
**university Solomon M. Stam**

**November 21-22, 2013**

During the conference we are planning to discuss the following issues:

- A European city in the Middle Ages and the Renaissance: research paradigms of the XX- early XXI centuries;
- The traditions and novelties in the study of the Renaissance culture;
- Research material on the history of a European city and the Renaissance culture and new ways of their interpretation;
- The peculiarity of a European city development during the Renaissance.
- The ideology of the Renaissance humanism;
- A European city and the Renaissance ideology;
- City dwellers as admirers and commissioners of works of art, patrons of art and collectors.
- A European city and the Renaissance culture through personal history.

The program and the agenda of the conference will be compiled according to the applications and sent to the participants via e-mail.

The applications should be sent via e-mail to Larisa N. Chernova [larisachernova@mail.ru](mailto:larisachernova@mail.ru) till June 20, 2012.

The application should contain the following information:

1. The full name of the participant
2. The place of work
3. The scientific degree and the rank.
4. The title of the report
5. The address, the email and the telephone number.