

Reshaped Borders Redefined Identities? Poland, Hungary and the Uncertain Central Europe

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Abstract

Establishing borders was always a great challenge in the Central and Eastern European region. Historical and national claims expressed recalling even violent events that usually ended with the brutal intervention of the ruling power warning the insurgents, not to oppose the imperial interest by causing instability. Thanks to their special geographical position Poland and Hungary had a historical experience based on their changing borders and being located between great powers with efforts of getting out from their subordinated positions. Our initiative is to describe the Polish and Hungarian co-operation from the historical aspect with a special accent to the changing borders and regional integration models. Our aim is to examine the Hungarian impact of these models using Poland as a reference point. We would like to use the Intermarium and Three Seas Initiative concepts, the Polish concepts for regional integration and their influence in the Hungarian orientation. The Three Seas Initiative can serve as a type of regional integration focusing on catching up with the more developed West, but it can also be understood as the playground of the great powers of the XXI century.

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