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Communisme: Négociation des confins

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The idea of "boundary" represents one of the main coordinates of communism as it was imposed to the Eastern European societies. The symbolical boundary (a sort of imaginary "picked fences") was present in all areas of life, from the closed geographical borders to the ideological restrictions forced upon culture and literature (as a new - ideologically imposed - "canon"). Professional and even private life was subject to various boundaries (from the freedom of speech to the controlled distribution of workplaces, houses, food, everyday items and so on). The system would decide - instead of the individual - which are the accepted limits within which people should live. People had to deal with this restricted, artificial manner of living and working. The attitude people adopted towards this "bounding" ideology had three main forms: acceptance, negotiation and attempt to flight. The present issue of *Caietele Echinox / Echinox Journal* is interested in gathering academic papers on the subject of communism in relation to the idea of boundary, restriction, limit, especially in the East European cultures.
Contributions are welcome both from academics who have already made a key contribution in this field and from emerging scholars. Articles may cover areas such as following:

- **The Ideology of Boundaries - Life and Culture under Siege /**
- **L'Idéologie des confins - La vie et la culture en état de siège**
- **Negotiating Boundaries / Négociation des restrictions**
- **Escaping Boundaries / Échapper aux confins**

The papers should be written in English or French. They should have about 10 pages (1.5 line spacing), an abstract and a few key-words in English.
Deadline for submission: **June 30, 2010.**

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