

## **North Eurasia as a Unit of World History**

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### **Abstract:**

This paper introduces the concept of North Eurasia as a unit of world history and of the Baltic as a border basin of North Eurasia.

It traces the historical origins of the concept of North Eurasia in the works of Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz (1646–1716).

Then, the paper frames the role of the Baltic as one of North Eurasia's border basins in a quest for North Eurasian trade.

Based on statistics of Baltic trade, it is shown that this quest started around 1660 and lasted for about two centuries.