

**CRIZA BIZANTINĂ A SECOLULUI XIII  
– ÎNTRE MOȘTENIREA IMPERIALĂ ȘI FĂRÂMIȚAREA MEDIEVALĂ**

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**THE BYZANTINE CRISIS OF THE 13<sup>rd</sup> CENTURY  
– BETWEEN IMPERIAL HERITANCE AND MEDIEVAL DISINTEGRATION**

*Abstract*

The article reveals the major crisis of the Byzantine Empire in the 13<sup>rd</sup> century, after the conflict between Western commanders of the 4<sup>th</sup> Crusade and the Byzantine emperor, which conducted at the temporarily disintegration of the Byzantine Empire, accelerated, also by internal tensions.

The new states tried to rebuild the Byzantine Empire, the final victory belonging to the powerful center of Nikaia.

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