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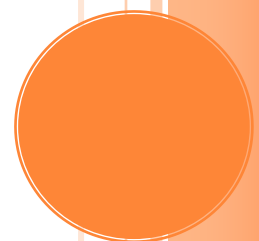
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## AGEING AND THE AGED

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### **Committee structure**

Since August 2013, the Commission has adopted a regional structure:

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### **Membership**

We have individual members in over 20 countries, with most members in N. America. Many of the members are also members of the Association of Anthropology and Gerontology based in the U.S. We do not have a complete list of members as participation at the Commission has mainly been through participation at the panel sessions in IUAES meetings. There is an estimate of 140-160 members/panel participants in the list so far.

### **History and objectives**

The Commission on Aging and the Aged was established in 1986 with the following aims:

- To provide a communication link between I.U.A.E.S. and other international, regional, and national professional associations concerned with the international and cross-cultural issues of aging and older people.
- To establish a network of anthropologists, ethnologists and other social behavioral and biomedical scientists, who are interested in aging and who can collectively contribute to understanding the major issues and concerns of aging
- To stimulate and encourage new research within the range of anthropological and ethnological sub-specialists on all aspects of aging and the aged

- To serve as a source to respond to enquiries concerning issues on aging and the aged
- To create higher levels of governmental and public awareness of the need of an international and cross-cultural perspective on aging and the aged.

The Commission has benefited from the existence of a helpful and resourceful group of key members, namely Professors Dena Shenk , Jay Sokolovsky and Maria Cattell.

### **Report of activities from 2013**

The primary task of the Commission has been to organize sessions for the IUAES meetings. The Commission has organized a series of symposia at the past International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Science Meetings. In the 2013 IUAES Congress at Manchester, there were four panels listed under the Commission (Health and wellness through time and space and across the life course(LD27), Ageing and the digital life course (LD28), Age-friendly communities: from research to practice (LD29) and Exploring well-being in later life: crossing cultures, crossing borders (LD34).

In the 2014 Inter-Congress in Japan, one panel was listed with the Commission together with National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka): Considering ideas and practices to create "age-friendly communities". The convenor of the session was Nanami Suzuki of National Museum of Ethnology. The Session was well attended showing participants' interest in the subject area.

The latest meeting of the Commission was on 7 August 2013 in Manchester. In summary, we discussed:

- (1) Changing of the name of the Commission to Commission on Ageing and the Life Course

The committee felt the need to change the name of the Commission from Ageing and the Aged to "Ageing and the Life Course" to better reflect the works presented under the Commission. It also highlights the need for a life course perspective in examining the issues and culture of aging. We will present this request in the 2015 meeting of IUAES.

- (2) To expand our reach through partnerships, such as with AAA Section on Ageing (AAGE) and the journal of Anthropology and Aging (editor: Jason Danley). The changing of the committee structure also hopes to encourage a wider international reach.
- (3) In preparation for the 2017 IUAES World Congress, we would like to work on a 2 year lead in time for promoting sessions and the conference, and to organize site visits on aging services for members with the Commission.

We continue to welcome those who are interested in joining the Commission to communicate with us. The official point of contact is LengLengThang (lengthang@nus.edu.sg).

## **ANTHROPOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT**

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The Commission for Anthropology and Environment (CAE) was discussed as a revival of the Commission for Human Ecology during the Manchester 2013 World Congress. In the following months, 29 members worked together under the leadership of Thomas Reuter to found CAE. A few volunteer founders became the Coordinators for specific theme areas under the CAE mandate: Food Security and Sovereignty coordinated by Sol Katz, Water coordinated by Heather O'Leary and Laurie Moberg, Environmental Policies and Development coordinated by Andrea Zhouri, Anthropology of Consciousness coordinated by Gregory Acciaioli, Anthropology and Environmental/Ecological Philosophy coordinated by Georgio Sacco, and Historical Ecology and Anthropology coordinated by Renzo Duin. Two themes are still seeking coordinators: Environmental Justice, and Local Knowledge for Sustainability.

The current leadership was elected in December 2013. Nominees were proposed confidentially through email. Those successfully nominated provided information about their strategic plans and leadership tenets to the membership. Members then voted Heather O'Leary (olear079 (at) umn (dot) edu) as the Commission Chair and Thomas Reuter (thor2525 (at) gmail (dot) com) as the Commission Deputy Chair.

During the 2014 period, the commission has began a number of external outreach and internal strengthening activities.

Digital endeavors have brought together members and non-members alike. CAE has established a facebook account: Cae Iuaes (<https://www.facebook.com/cae.iuaes>). The account has had limited success. CAE has had more success with the twitter account it has established @CAEIUAES (<https://twitter.com/caeiuaes>). CAE has used the twitter account to bring messages from the larger anthropological community to its followers, and to begin to be a part of the ongoing twitter-verse, increasing its potential to recruit environmentally-minded social scientists and increasing the awareness of IUAES. CAE also began to "live tweet" the 2014 Inter-Congress, allowing members to publicize CAE activities and enthuse delegates and the greater public. The CAE main website remains on the IUAES server.

In addition, a members-only digital newsletter has been started, circulating 1-2 times a quarter. This newsletter makes members aware of approaching deadlines and also has endeavored to facilitate collaborative growth between and among members. Members were encouraged to share their present research endeavors and to make their goals and milestones public in this forum of mutual support. The CAE leadership seeks to grow this initiative in the future to make CAE member interaction vibrant in the periods between congresses.

There has been ongoing participation of the CAE in the IUAES Congresses and Inter-congresses since its inception. In 2013, participants in the congress founded CAE. In 2014, CAE hosted two panels. All of the officers were present at this meeting and CAE recruited 7 new members at the Commission business meeting. In 2015, CAE is hosting one official panel and anticipates that all officers will be present. At this meeting, CAE will use the occasion of the inter-congress as a platform to plan our first CAE conference/workshop. We are planning to discuss the merits of a CAE member event, weighed against a joint event with one or more of the 3 other commissions that expressed interest.

CAE is expecting one publication in 2015. Cambridge Scholar Series has agreed to publish the edited volume organized by Thomas Reuter (Deputy Chair) for publication this year. It

comprises chapters from the past two years of CAE panel contributions, highlighting the innovative and broadly-reaching scholarship of our members and presenters.  
Thomas A. Reuter (ed.) 2015. *Averting a Global Environmental Collapse: The Role of Anthropology and Local Knowledge*. London: Cambridge Scholars Publications. 320pp, 16 Chapters, illustrations.

## ANTHROPOLOGY OF AIDS

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In affluent countries HIV-infected persons now have access to anti-retroviral therapy. In many low-income countries only a minority enjoys this privilege. Development and promotion of specific anthropological research agendas, focusing on strategies for primary prevention, has been given high priority by the Group of Interim Officers of the Commission on the Anthropology of HIV and AIDS. The following list of priorities was agreed upon in the follow-up to the IUAES 17th World Congress:

- \* Assessing risks, understanding cultural risk constructions, particularly among vulnerable populations, e.g. among women,
- \* Emergence of new subcultures and social groups in the wake of the HIV-epidemic,
- \* Responses of Modern, Traditional and Complementary (Alternative) Health systems to the HIV-epidemic: roles and criticalities,
- \* The role and interplay of grassroots organizations, NGOs and community networks in the national and global response to the HIV-epidemic,
- \* New strategies and methods, including new media, in the creation of strategies for information, education and communication programmes,
- \* Treatment adherence - challenges and development of new strategies, e.g. related to social stigma,
- \* Interdisciplinary and new roles for anthropology in HIV and AIDS-related research, prevention and control,
- \* Political economy of biomedical research, global and national treatment provision and access,
- \* The unpacking of objectifying categorizations in the public health and biomedical discourse,
- \* Everyday Life, identities and subjectivities of HIV-seropositive persons.

The Members of the Interim Group of Officers of the Commission on the Anthropology of HIV and AIDS shall continue to promote and follow-up on future research and interventions related to the above and other priority areas, and shall report to the IUAES Secretariat accordingly.

Questions related to the formal election of future Officers of the Commission, will be dealt with later.

Frants Staugaard, Member of the Group of Interim Officers of the Commission

## ANTHROPOLOGY OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND CHILDHOOD

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**No annual report submitted.**

## ANTHROPOLOGY OF FOOD AND NUTRITION

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The Commission on the Anthropology of Food and Nutrition (ICAF) continues to be very active.

**Conferences of the Commission for the Anthropology of Food and Nutrition since previous report:**

In 2013:

- Food and Art, Kamilari, Crete, Greece,
- The Co-evolution of Humans and their Foods, panel at IUAES congress, Manchester,
- Respuestas Alimentarias a la Crisis Económica / Alimentary Responses to the Economic Crisis, Cazalla de la Sierra, Andalucia, Spain.

In 2014:

- Food, Internet and Social Media, Montánchez, Extremadura, Spain.

Planned for 2015:

· Coloquio Internacional de Antropología y Etnografía de la Alimentación, Puebla, Mexico, April.

· Foods Rooted in Tradition: Local Products and Protected Designations in an Interrelated World. Panel P. 05-03, IUAES Inter-Congress 2015, Bangkok, Thailand, July.

· Pure Food: Biological Constants and Cultural Manifestations of a Human Preoccupation. Delmenhorst (near Bremen), Germany, October.

### **Publications from ICAF conferences since previous report:**

Cwierka, K.J. (ed.) (2013) Food and War in Mid-Twentieth-Century East Asia, Ashgate, Farnham. ISBN 978-1-4094-4675-0.

Xirotiris, N. and Matalas, A., (eds) (2013) Fish and Seafood: a multidisciplinary approach, Mystis, Heraklion, Crete.

Aubaile, F. (2013) Contribution de la Biodiversité à l'Alimentation : Sélection de communications du 26th Symposium of the International Commission for the Anthropology of Food (ICAF) of the International Union for Anthropological & Ethnological Sciences (IUAES), Revue d'ethnoécologie n° 1-2, Paris.

Schiefenhövel, W. and Macbeth, H. (eds) (re-published as paperback 2013) Liquid Bread: Beer and Brewing in Cross-Cultural Perspective, Berghahn, New York and Oxford. [Gained **Choice** Outstanding Academic Book of the Year Award 2011, and Gourmand Award UK 2011.]

Gonzalez Turmo, I. (ed.) (2014) Respuestas Alimentarias a la Crisis Económica, Colección eBOOKS ICAF, created in Andalucía, Spain.

Collinson, P. and Macbeth, H. (eds) (2014) Food in Zones of Conflict: Crossdisciplinary perspectives, Berghahn, New York and Oxford. [Gained Gourmand Award, Food Security category.]

Rodrigo-Estevan, M.L. (ed.) (in press for 2015) Comida y Amor: Miradas

Interdisciplinarias / Food and Love: Cross-disciplinary Approaches, to be published by Prensas de la Universidad de Zaragoza (PUZ) and Institución Fernando el Católico (IFC), Zaragoza.

Avila, R. and Tena, M. (eds) (in press) La Comida de los Puertos en el Mundo, Universidad de Guadalajara, Guadalajara, Mexico

Garine, E., Oishi, T. and Raimond, C. (eds) (editing in progress), Partager la Nourriture / Sharing Food, Publisher to be Presses Universitaires de Pau.

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General Secretary of the Commission: Frederic Duhart, France

Deputy General Secretary of the Commission: Martina Vlkova, Czech Republic

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## *ANTHROPOLOGY OF THE MIDDLE EAST*

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Executive Secretary: Marzieh Kaivanara

Scientific Committee: Soraya Tremagne, Christian Bromberger, Jean-Pierre Digard and others...

Associated Journal: *Anthropology of the Middle East*, Berghahn Publishers, first issue: 2006

Keeping the aims of the IUAES Constitution, this area commission attempts to attract and focus on anthropology of the Middle East. This area, passing very critical moments in its life, needs the expertise of anthropologists who study everyday life of people to supplement all the political and economic considerations of the area. We try to have space for all four subfields of anthropology, as reflected in the journal (*AME*), and as we consider culture of the area, we easily include Central Asia, and Afghanistan and Pakistan in our sessions and journal articles.

The members of the scientific Committee of the Commission have been collaborating through the journal for many years, and we are all persistent to include younger anthropologists from various continents working on the area.

The Middle Eastern diaspora is slowly recognising our presence and we hope to see them join the scientific committee and Commission panels and sessions through their active participation. We have already had three sessions in the Inter-Congress in Turkey, in Perth, Australia, and three panels in Manchester, and Tokyo, Japan, alongside with a photo exhibition, and our Commission meeting as well.

Also, we held a joint panel with Commission on Women in the Inter-Congress in Japan which was concerned primarily with higher education, and its impact on women's status within or outside the family in rural or urban areas of the Middle East and East Asia.

The Commission on the Middle East will be holding three sessions in the Inter-Congress in Thailand.

The journal *Anthropology of the Middle East*, which is a peer-reviewed journal, will publish commission papers in special topic issues or individually in open issues, according to merit.

This year we shall be giving a Zubaydah Ashkanani prize of \$2000 to the best article of Anthropology of the Middle East.

In November our Chair acquired the acceptance of two colleagues in Krakow Poland to hold yearly Commission Conferences there. This will bring more cohesion and collaboration amongst our members.

## *ANTHROPOLOGY OF TOURISM*

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### **Background**

While IUAES was founded in Brussels, Belgium, in 1948, the Commission on the Anthropology of Tourism saw the light during the fourteenth IUAES Congress in Williamsburg, USA (1998). Dr. Valene Smith was the Commission's first Chair. Dr. Gregory Teal took over at the fifteenth IUAES Congress in Florence, Italy (2003). He is succeeded by Dr. Noel B. Salazar, who was elected as new Chair during the seventeenth IUAES Congress in Manchester (2013). The mailing list is currently administered by Vice-Chairs Dr. Yujie Zhu and Dr. Mari Korpela.

The main objective of the Commission is to promote the anthropology of tourism in the fields of research, teaching and public dissemination. The Commission facilitates the networking of people who share this interest across the globe. The Commission's mailing list (this one) is open to everyone with an interest in the anthropology of tourism. Membership of IUAES is not required, but strongly recommended.

Since the foundation of the Commission, the interest in the anthropology of tourism has skyrocketed. Evidence of this are the growing number of topically related networks, including the AAA Anthropology of Tourism Interest Group, the SfAA Tourism and Heritage Topical Interest Group, Tourism Research Information Network (TRINET) and the Tourism-Contact-Culture Research Network. Sister organizations, such as the ISA Research Committee on International Tourism RC50, can count on the active membership of a good number of anthropologists. All these networks serve slightly different purposes and audiences.

## **2014 Business Meeting**

In the context of the IUAES 2014 Inter-Congress in Chiba, Japan, IUAES-TOURISM organized an interim business meeting. After a brief sketch of the history and aim of the commission, participants were invited to brainstorm about how they envision the future of the commission. It was stressed that the commission is entirely dependent upon the initiative, creativity and contributions of its members. The principle is very simple: 'give and you shall be given', the more members contribute the more they (and others) will benefit. The commission is the only global body uniting anthropologists working on tourism and should use this strategic position as an opportunity to cross-fertilize knowledge and to exchange best practices across world regions and linguistic boundaries. In this context, a couple of issues were discussed.

### *(1) Membership*

IUAES-TOURISM members are those people who are subscribed to this mailing list and who are paying individual members of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences. Members are entitled to be candidates for functions within the commission or other IUAES bodies. They can attend the business meeting, participate in the discussion, vote and also organize commission-sponsored panels at any IUAES congress (Florianapolis, Brazil 2018) or inter-congress (Bangkok, Thailand 2015; Dubrovnik, Croatia 2016) and have their tourism-related panels at other anthropology conferences (EASA, AAA, ABA, CASCA etc.) officially endorsed by the commission (e.g. a tourism-related panel at the EASA conference in Tallinn, Estonia).

Follow up: The mailing list has currently 339 members from around the world and there are messages on an almost daily basis. We have made IUAES more visible on the list by adding a signature to all the list messages.

IUAES-TOURISM co-sponsored the following panel at EASA2014:

**Tourism in (post)socialist Eastern Europe** Nelson Graburn (University of California, Berkeley) & Magdalena Banaszekiewicz (Jagiellonian University) *Discussant:* Svetlana Rhyzhakova The political transformation of Eastern Europe since the 1980s has revolutionized tourism praxis. Small companies flourish promoting culturalization and individualism, changing worldviews to express new identities and ethnicities, seeking mental/spiritual support and rapprochement with nature.

- *A taste of communist life: communist heritage as a tourist attraction*

Magdalena Banaszekiewicz (Jagiellonian University)

- *Historical blueprints of tourist paths from Poland to the former USSR*

Agata Bachórz (University of Gdansk)

Anna Horolets (University of Gdańsk)

- *Pilgrimage and/or tourism in a Bosnian Croat shrine of Kondžilo*

Mario Katić (University of Zadar)

- *Atheist museum in Shkodra*

Ermela Broci (Cultural Anthropology)

- *Tourist narratives about the dissonant heritage of the Borderlands*

Sabina Owsianowska (University School of Physical Education in Krakow)

- *Performing the good tourism encounter: social healing and moral empowerment in rural Masuria, northeast Poland*

Hannah Wadle (University of Manchester)

- *Innovation of traditional practice or the cultural economy of the bath-house (pirts)*

Agnese Cimdina (University of Latvia)

- *Localising experience economy in the post-socialist countryside: guided explorations of body and soul in rural Estonia*

Maarja Kaaristo (Tartu University)

Ester Bardone (University of Tartu)

## (2) Communication

The IUAES-TOURISM mailing list is open to everybody with an interest in the intersection between anthropology (as a discipline) and tourism (as an object of study). While IUAES membership is not mandatory it is strongly encouraged (particularly now that IUAES is gaining global strength). The mailing list contains over 300 people, but this could well increase if current subscribers would spread the word. The list members are from various parts of the world and they represent various disciplines. In addition, there are members who do not work in the academia but in tourism-related organizations. In other words, although the content of the mailing list is related to tourism research, the list reaches also people involved in applied work. We are also preparing a long-term strategy for our presence on social media such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Google+. This can only work if people from various parts of the world are willing to share relevant content (also in languages other than English). If you are interested in helping with this, get in touch with us and we'll explain you how simple it is to share information (which you are receiving and reading yourself) with others via our social media networks.

Follow up:

In 2014, we created special pages for IUAES-TOURISM on different social media platforms, such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Google+ to disseminate issues, events and publications related to the anthropology of tourism.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/IUAES.TOURISM/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/IUAESTourism>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/IUAESTOURISM-6606929>

Google+: <https://plus.google.com/110534784667231161441/>

We also promoted IUAES-TOURISM through other global academic networks such as the ISA Research Committee on International Tourism RC50, International Association of Critical Heritage Studies, TriNet and the Association of Tourism Anthropology, China. We hope to find more opportunities for communication and collaboration with these and other academic networks in the future.

### *(3) Outreach*

We really need the help of members in reaching out to anthropologists across the globe who work on tourism. We invited members who know of colleagues working on tourism (particularly in Latin America, Africa or Asia) to invite them to join the mailing list and follow IUAES-TOURISM on social media networks.

Follow up:

In order to promote the global character of IUAES-TOURISM, we decided to launch an open call for regional representatives. We distributed the call via relevant mailing lists and social media channels. We received about 30 applications from all over the world and we also actively contacted potential representatives ourselves. We are still in the process of choosing the representatives. The selected regional representatives will be expected to facilitate the network building and the sharing of information, in particular the development of social media communication in different languages.

### *(4) Teaching resources*

Japanese colleagues present at the business meeting in Chiba were very interested in exchanging course syllabi and teaching resources related to the anthropology of tourism. So we warmly encouraged members to share anything they may have via the mailing list.

Follow up:

With the help of the mailing list participants, we gathered a list of internet links related to tourism research and the list was published on IUAES-TOURISM's home page.

### *(5) E-seminar*

Following the successful example of the EASA Media Anthropology Network, we proposed to start running occasional electronic seminars (e-seminars).

Follow up:

No further interest was shown in this proposal so we decided to withdraw it.

### *(6) Publishing*

During the business meeting, it was announced that there now is an Anthropology of Tourism Book Series (the first of its kind). It is worth considering this as a potential venue to publish your tourism-related monographs and edited volumes.

#### *(7) Photo/ Logo Competition*

In 2014, we launched a photography and logo design competition around the globe. We looked for logo proposals that could capture the mission of IUAES-TOURISM. The logo could be used on the Commission webpage, the IUAES-TOURISM social media pages and information sheets.

Follow up:

Not enough applications were submitted, so we decided to withdraw the proposal.

#### ***Plans for 2015***

We will finalize the process of choosing regional representatives. With their help, we will start to promote IUAES-TOURISM all over the world much more actively than before. We will utilize social media in particular and we will encourage dissemination of information also in other languages than English only. Our mailing list will also start receiving more entries from various parts of the world once the representatives start posting information from their areas. The regional representatives will hopefully bring up new ideas on how to develop IUAES-TOURISM. We will encourage discussion and exchange of ideas among the regional representatives, and eventually also on the whole mailing list.

IUAES-TOURISM will have one panel at the IUAES Inter-Congress in Bangkok in July 2015: **P6-03** We are NOT Selling Things (Cultural Commodities): Creative Tourism and Sustainable Community Development Convenor: Achariya Choowonglert (Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Faculty of Social Sciences, Naresuan University, Thailand)

<http://socanth.tu.ac.th/iaes2015/2014/10/p6-03-we-are-not-selling-things-culturalcommodities-creative-tourism-and-sustainable-community-development/>

## ***ANTHROPOLOGY OF WOMEN***

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<http://www.iaes.org/comm/women.html>

- 5) None

6) Commission's participation (past and forthcoming) in IUAES Congresses and Inter-congresses.

2014

Japanese Society of Cultural Anthropology (JASCA) 50th Anniversary Conference to be held jointly with IUAES Inter-Congress 2014. 15th to 18th May 2014, Tokyo, Japan

P 001: Impact of education on women's status and daily life in the Middle East and Asia Marzieh Kaivanara (University of Bristol), Soheila Shahshahani (Shahid Beheshti University), Subhadra Channa (Delhi University). This joint panel of the Commission on the Middle East and Commission on Women is concerned with primary to higher education, and its impact on women's status within or outside the family in rural or urban areas of the Middle East and East Asia.

Post IUAES conference research project initiated by Dr. Jing JIN in Yunnan Medical University and CHIBA Medical School in CHIBA JAPAN.

2015

IUAES Inter-Congress 2015 Re-imagining Sociological-Anthropological Boundaries to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, on 15-17 July 2015.

Panels in which Commission's members will participate: [P3-04](#) Theorizing Gender Violence and 'Harm' : 'Harmful Cultural Practices' as a Viable Notion of Comparative Analysis across Cultural. [P3-05](#) Global Gendered Democratic Reform in Our Golden Age: Historical Achievements and Future Improvements. [P3-06](#) Re-Imagining and Transgressing Boundaries: Feminist Anthropology as Human Rights Work. [P5-06](#) 21st century's New or Emerging Positions and Perspectives on Gender and Food Safety Issues: Impact of technologies on food security and poverty alleviation. [P6-05](#) Ecofeminism-Ethic and Eco-ICH Tourism Development: Beyond Conservation/Development Framework

7) Commission's annual conferences, symposia, workshops (past and forthcoming, if any).

2014

The COTAW sponsors smaller thematic conferences: co-organizing the following interesting symposiums:

January 4, 2014 Yunnan Provincial Health Department representatives COTAW attend the awards event hosted: on curriculum evaluation study in cooperation with Japan's two medical schools and to increase cultural curriculum dying the death of the status quo, art therapy music therapy courses, anthropology and death curriculum design;

March 6 -8: Chuxiong Yi cultural Center of the French culture and language schools access arrangements; gave a speech on the promotion of friendship with France

May attend meetings of the IUAES held in Chiba, Japan, led a forum music forum gave a speech;

August to attend the 2014 World Mountain Documentary Festival in Geermu Qinghai Province 8 10- 12

Wu Ga Kenote Speech: "Female Issues in High Altitude Mountain Regions: - Suggestion on Adding Female Mountain Films Section for the Festival in the Future"

October 2014 visit to Kunming Yi - French research institute school consultations on "Yi culture by revealing the mystery of Sanxingdui culture and the kind of cooperation picture exhibition," contact the French six institutions; two museums

December 19, 2014: Kunming Shilin County Society for the Study of Yi invited to consultation with the French Culture and Language Center National High School. Student and teacher exchange programs planned French high school and high school minority Shilin; gave a speech: the Yi dictionary French text in Shilin left early French literature and related records.

2015

Towards a Global History of the Girl Congress of the International Committee of Historians Specialised Theme Location: Jinan, China Date: 23-29 August 2015 The aim of this session is to bring together scholars working in the field and to identify common themes and differences in the history of the girl across The Commission plans to publish the newsletter at least twice a year and an e-journal: Editor-in-chief Cheryl Rodriguez, coordinator for electronic distribution Sydney Perutz. Up to date the journal mission has been established, further details will be discussed during meeting in COTAW business meeting in Thailand 2015.

Two panel proposals have been outlined for the IUAES meeting in 2016. The proposals are not yet finalized.

8) Commission's publications, including Newsletter, books, journals, etc.

2014

Editor: Attitude towards death: cross-cultural studies"Comment on the international cooperative research project <Survey Studies on adding death treatment related courses in China's 135 medical universities

May: Post IUAES conference research project initiated by Dr. Jing Jin: Yunnan medical university and CHIBA medical school in CHIBA JAPAN. 2014 5 26

OCT 2014 The role of women in the creation of Yi Yi text in: Yi text with Egyptian hieroglyphs and Sumerian comparative study 20147 Month "Nuosu" magazine Women in the creation of the Yi Yi text Role:Yi text with Egypt and SumerHieroglyphsA Comparative Study of 20,147 Month "Nuosu" magazine Cuneiform script The role of women in the



creation of Yi Yi text in: Yi text with Egyptian hieroglyphs and Sumerian comparative study 20147Month "Nuosu" magazine

2015

Book manuscript Contesting modernity development and its discontent in China. Engendering development discourses International financial institutions. The state and women in the global south. Editor the commerce press book is entitled "Gender and Anthropological studies in the globalized world: female knowledge printed by the fragrant dirt of five continent." *Series* GENDER and ANTHROPOLOGY in GLOBALISED WORLD

9) Any other relevant information.

During the business meeting in Japan in 2014 we:

- enjoyed one another ( new members provided their emails)
- created projects COTAW's programs, thoughtful reflection before decision making;)commission supported projects;
- shared with all scholars our new website and e-journal activities and all related plans,
- asked attendees for their understanding and share with us their own advocates for the COTAW future development; then begin with the discussion, participants discussed and reviewed with the COTAW proposals for 2015 meeting in Thailand; organizers provided a list of possible proposals
  - tradition /transformation of family;
  - for humanity; for the food safety issues;
- project description and discussion section of the meeting encouraged all scholars to take their leadership to write proposals, events
  - researches and finally we reached three panels: gender and democracy; gender and food safety; gendered programs in tourism studies
- during the final stage of our meetings, we asked all meeting attending scholars and volunteers alike to discover their own communicating style be in order to make sure that each scholar with new ideas could be shared with each other, communicating an institution's image, effective communication techniques, new ways of communicating,
- we also discussed issues related our COTAW 1)what are the major challenges and problems facing our organization; 2) how do we address these challenges and problems; 3) what values would we like to pass to the next generation; 4) how can we communicating these values; 5) how to accomplish--an overview of the meeting schedule and goals.
- Emphasize, encourage and stress that the meeting is a workshop not a presentation.

2015

The main plan will be to expand our membership and to gather an updated list of members.

We intend to hold a Commission meeting and to attract new members among the participants of bi-lingual as well as Chinese language-related panels at the congress.

We will also seek to diversify its membership to form a core team of representatives from different world regions, particularly from Latin America and Africa.

We will also discuss issues related to establishment of a website of the Commission to exchange information of general interest to members and to disseminate the outcomes of the relevant research.

Advisory Committee: The establishment of an Advisory Committee was discussed at the Business Meeting held during the 2015 Annual Conference in Thailand. The Advisory Committee would support Chairpersons in carrying out their role and guaranteeing the successful continuity of the Commission's activity.

2015 in Jinan, Shandong University women's history and everyone is welcome to attend the forum 2015 World Historical Society meeting Shandong University Forum

Croatia and Slovenia in 2016

18th General Assembly in Brazil IUAES, the Commission will celebrate its 40-year history. Apply the Research Fund Research Fund: Application Publication: Beijing Wangfujing Business Press 2015. 2018 COTAW celebrate 40 years of the establishment of the Forum meeting in Brazil.

10) References

Ga WU IUAES Statement Document is Needed and Violation of Human Rights in Mexico. 2014 11 14.

Ga WU Gender and Anthropological studies in the globalized world: female knowledge printed by the fragrant dirt of five continents GENDER and ANTHROPOLOGY in GLOBALISED WORLD 2014.

## *ANTHROPOLOGY, PEACE AND HUMAN RIGHTS*

*Chair: Robert A. Rubenstein, rar[at]syr.edu*

**No annual report submitted.**

## *ANTHROPOLOGY, PUBLIC POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT PRACTICE*

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Previous Name of the Commission: *Anthropology in Policy and Practice* (Old name)

Proposed New Name : **Anthropology of Public Policy and Development Practice**

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It was decided during the Manchester Congress in August 2013 that the existing Commission on Anthropology in Policy and Practice should be revived under the new leadership of Prof.S M.Patnaik.

The Commission organized an informal business meeting during the IUAES Inter congress at Chiba city in Japan to explore the possibilities of mapping out new terrains of its future journey. It was felt that the commission should have a new name focusing more on issues of Public Policy and Governance in comparative global perspective.

The Commission is organizing a Panel at IUAES Inter Congress at Bangkok in July 2015 titled *Anthropology of Public Policy and Governance* ( P-9-10) and also planning to hold elections to its various offices including Chair , Deputy Chair(s) , Secretary and others during the Inter Congress 2015.

The following members have been consulted and have agreed upon to be the founding/supporting members of the Commission.

- 1.Tanya Jakimo ( Australia)
- 2.Akio Tanabe ( Japan)
- 3.Max Stephenson (Virginia;USA)
- 4.A.K Kapoor ( India)
- 5.Deepak Behera ( India)
- 6.Mark Peterson ( Miami;USA)
- 7.Heather Oreal ( USA)
- 8.Yumiko Tokita Tanabe ( Japan)
- 9.Nilika Mehrotra (JNU/ Delhi)
- 10.Indrakshi Tandon (Dubai)
- 11.Bijay Kumar ( Kenya)
- 12 Raminder Kaur (UK)

13 Rajanikant Pandey( Ranchi/India)

14. Supriya Singh (Delhi) and few others.

Many of them are coming to the Panel/business meeting Bangkok for July 2015 Inter Congress.

*Proposed Activities:* Currently we are planning to bring out an E News Letter which can help us in greater outreach before we finalize the details of the website.

*Completion of the Reorganization Process* will be over by end of July 2015 since most of the important decisions will be taken in the business meet to be held at Bangkok in the third week of July 2015.

## DOCUMENTATION

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The commission established in the 1980s to address documentation problems of third world departments of anthropology has been overtaken by significant technological advancements which have led the commission to reflect deeply on e-learning and e-library issues. As many libraries are increasingly enhancing the e-library facilities, the commission has been reflecting on the new possibilities.

### 2. Leadership

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The Commission does not have a web-site nor any social media outlet. There has been no change of structures since August 2013.

### 3. Commission activities

Due to financial constraints the Commission's leadership has been unable to participate in past IUAES Congresses and Inter-congresses. We do hope that the commission will participate in the forthcoming inter-congresses. The commission is planning to be part of a panel on e-learning and e-library during the AAA November meeting of 2015. The President of IUAES is expected to be a keynote speaker at this 2015 meeting during which issues of documentation will be discussed.

## ENTERPRISE ANTHROPOLOGY

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### A, Organization Structure

The business meeting and election of Commission on Enterprise Anthropology was held at room 6.210 of University Place, Manchester University, UK on August 9, 2013 during the 17<sup>th</sup> IUAES World Congress. The Commission on Enterprise Anthropology has one chair and two deputy chairs.

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**B, Academic Activities of Commission on Enterprise Anthropology**

**1, Academic Activities in 2013**

**The Commission on Enterprise Anthropology organized Series 10 Panels for the 17th IUAES Congress in UK, August, 2013**

For 17th IUAES Congress, Commission on Enterprise Anthropology (CEA) organized 10 Panels at Manchester University, UK, 5-10 August, 2013, as follows:

**Panel one(1): Anthropology of Family Business**

Convener: Prof. Tomoko Hamada Connolly (College of William and Mary, USA)

**Panel two(2): Anthropology of Arts Business**

Conveners: Hirochika Nakamaki (National Museum of Ethnology, Japan) and Koichoro Hioki (Kyoto University, Japan)

**Panel three(3): Anthropology of Cross-cultural/Ethnic Business**

Convenors: Li Yujun (Associate Professor, Institute of Urban Development and Environment, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, China)

**Panel four(4): Anthropology of Old Brand Business**

Convener: Zhang Jijiao (Professor, Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, China)

**Panel five(5): Anthropology of Knowledge Business**

Convener: Zhang Jijiao (Professor, Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, China)

**Panel six(6): Migration and Labor Market: Comparative Study between EU and Asia**

Convenors: Ludger Pries (Prof. & Dr., Department of Social Sciences, Ruhr-Universität, Bochum – Germany) & Zhang Jijiao (Prof. & Dr., Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences)

**Panel seven(7): Human Resource and Mobility: Comparative Study between North America and East Asia**

Convenors: Zhang Jijiao (Prof. & Dr., Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences) & Ellen R. Judd (Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Manitoba, Canada)

**Panel eight(8): Urban Development, Business Operation and Social Responsibility**

Convener: Prof. & Dr. Bernard P. Wong (Director, Research Center for Urban Anthropology, San Francisco State University)

**Panel nine(9): Globalization, Emerging Market and Social Change in the BRIC Countries**

Convenors: Gustavo Lins Ribeiro (Vice President, IUAES; Former President, Brazilian Association of Anthropology; Professor of Anthropology in University of Brasilia) & Zhang Jijiao (Chair, Commission on Enterprise Anthropology (CEA), IUAES; Prof. & Dr., Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences)

**Panel ten(10): Human Life, Enterprise and Market**

Convener: Li Yujun (Associate Professor, vice-director of research department of social and environment, Institute of Urban Development and Environment, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences)

## 2, Academic Activities in 2014

- **A panel on “Affecting Asian Enterprise/Business Development: Economic and Non-economic Factors”, in the 9<sup>th</sup> Conference of The Asian Studies Association of Hong Kong (ASAHK), 14-15 March 2014, University of Hong Kong**

Convener: Prof. & Dr. Zhang Jijiao (Chair, IUAES Commission on Enterprise Anthropology; Director, Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences)

Asia is one of the rapid development areas in the world. For example, Growth in East Asia is slightly revised down from 6.5% to 6.4% in 2012 and from 7.1% to 7.0% in 2013.

Many people realize that Asian enterprise/business development is based on economic factors, like investment, technology and marketing, but few people know that Asian enterprise/business development is also depended on non-economic factors, like the local society, culture and customers. So, we need to pay more attention to the relationship between Asian enterprise/business development and the ethnic culture or local traditional society.

25 scholars & students from both developed countries/regions and developing countries attended this panel. Their research papers showed the academic significance and existing value of social sciences for the contemporary Asian enterprise/business development.

Previous ASAHK conferences were held at the City University of Hong Kong in 2006, the University of Hong Kong in 2007, Hong Kong Baptist University in 2008, the Open University of Hong Kong in 2009, the University of Hong Kong in 2010, the Chinese University of Hong Kong in 2011, the Hong Kong Shue Yan University in 2012 and the Hong Kong Institute of Education in 2013.



- **The Third International Conference on Applications of Anthropology in Business in May 9-11, 2014, Jishou University, Hunan Province, China**

In order to promote phenomenon-driven and context based study on management and marketing research in the business world, the Advanced Research College of Applied Anthropology and Business School at Jishou University hosted “The Third International Conference on Applications of Anthropology in Business” in May 9-11, 2014. The conference was co-sponsored by the College of Administration, Hebei University, and the North America Business Press. Prior to the conference, there was a three-day workshop on ethnographic and qualitative research methods in business studies, which held at East China Science and Technology University in Shanghai.

The themes/topics of the conference included but was not limited to:

1. Anthropological study of contextual management and marketing phenomena and cultural issues in the business environment
2. Ethnographic methods and applications in business studies
3. Business Ethnography Vs. Traditional Ethnography
4. Anthropological study of organizational and strategic behavior
5. Anthropological study of consumer behavior, branding, advertising and marketing communication strategies
6. Anthropological study of cross-cultural business communications and practices
7. Anthropological study of product design and development
8. Anthropological study of international business strategies
9. The applications of anthropology in business education
10. Anthropological study of organizational development and change
11. Anthropological study of entrepreneurships

- **The Commission on Enterprise Anthropology organized 3 Panels for IUAES 2014 inter-congress, on May 15-18, in Chiba, Japan**

**Panel(1) P075 Cultural diversity and multiculturalism in enterprise**

Convenor: Tomoko Hamada Connolly( Prof. & Dr., Department of Anthropology, College of William and Mary, USA)

**Panel(2) P084 Creativity in business**

Convenor: Keiko Yamaki (Associate Prof. & Dr., Department of Management Studies, Graduate School of Social Sciences, Hiroshima University, Japan)

**Panel(3) P105 Enterprise development and traditional society & culture**

Convenor: Prof. & Dr. Zhang Jijiao( Deputy Head, Council of Commissions, IUAES; Chair, Commission on Enterprise Anthropology, IUAES; Director, Dept. of Social Research, Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, China)

IUAES 2014 with JASCA held in Chiba, Japan on May 15-18, was a major success. There were 937 registered delegates from 59 countries, and there were more than 1,400 participants in total because IUAES 2014 was held together with the annual JASCA conference. 137 panels were held around the general theme of “The Future with/of Anthropologies”.

- **International Forum on Business and Anthropology, the 4th meeting in Seoul, Korea, Dec. 20-21, 2014**

Convenor: Prof. Han, Seung-Mi, Yonsei University

The 4th IFBA Meeting will be held in Korea, 20-21 December. It was Saturday and Sunday before Christmas.

The venue was the 1st floor conference room of New Millennium Hall in Yonsei University.

Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> Dinner Reception.

Day 1\_Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>

Registration & Tea 8:40 am- 9:00 am New Millennium Hall

Opening Speech by the former Chairperson of the Association of Applied Anthropology

Prof. Lee, Yong-Sook, Dept. of Anthropology, Duksung Women’s University 9:00-9:15

Session 1 Cultural Traditions in Globalizing Contexts (9:15 am-11:00 am)

Prof. Hirochika Nakamaki, Suita City Museum, Director

Bodhisattva Gyoki as Religious Entrepreneur: In Reference to the Great Buddha of Todaiji Temple

Prof. Ham, Hanhee JeonBuk National University

Two Different Lists at UNESCO from One Intangible Heritage, Arirang

Prof. Zijiao Zhang, Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Chinese Academy of Social Science

China's Old Brand Companies: to preserve heritage in the rapid urban development

Discussant: Prof. Yu, Chul-In, Jeju National University

Prof. Kim, Hyun Mee, Yonsei University.

Prof. Han, Seung-Mi, Yonsei University

Session 2 Culture and Development (11:00 am- 12:45 pm)

Prof. Lee, Sang Kook, Yonsei University

Behind the Scene: Border Trade in the Thailand-Myanmar Borderland

Dr. Maria Yotova, (National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka, Visiting Researcher)

The Taste of Our Grandmothers": Ethnographic Heritage as a Branding Strategy in Post-socialist Bulgaria

Dr. Jung, Bub-Mo (Asia Center, Seoul National University)

Study on Korean ODA project in the Philippines

Discussant: Prof. Kim, Dong-Joo, Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology

Session 3 How Does Culture Matter and How Do We Study It? (1:45 pm- 3:30 pm)

Prof. Noriya Sumihara, Tenri University

Japanese Business/Management Philosophy since Yedo Period--Continuity and Change

Prof. Dixon Wong, The University of Hong Kong, Global Creative Industries Program, Director

Is guanxi an useful concept in understanding Chinese business?

Prof. Tomoko Hamada, College of William & Mary, VA USA

Moving beyond the Patriarchal Heritage of the Founding Fathers: Rise of Female Directors in Japanese Business Firms

Discussant: Prof. Kim, Hyun Mee, Yonsei University

Prof. Han, Seung-Mi, Yonsei University

Session 4 Cultural Dynamics in Multicultural Business Setting (3:45 pm- 5:40 pm)

Prof. Keiko Yamaki, Shujitsu University Dept. of Business Administration, Okayama

Home Hospice: Anthropology of Work in Service Industry

Prof. Chae, Soo-Hong, JeonBuk National University

Labor Politics in a Korean Business Firm in Vietnam

Prof. Yunhee Kang, Dept. of Anthropology, Seoul National University

Language and Power in a Multinational Corporation: a Case of Korean Company in Indonesia

Discussant: Prof. Cho, Moon-Young, Yonsei University

Day 2\_Dec 21<sup>st</sup>

Session 6 New Directions in Business Anthropology: Past and Present (9:20am-11:30am)

Dr. John McCreery, WordWorks Ltd. Tokyo

The Anthropology of Administration: An Anthropology of Business in Japan

Prof. Koh, Kyung Nan, Korean University of Foreign Studies

Representing Corporate Social Responsibility and Designing the Corporation as a ‘Super-’ Person

Dr. Michael Prentice (Ph.D. Candidate, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)

Intranet, ERP, and Excel: Overlapping socio-materialities at a Korean conglomerate

Baek, Jinyoung (MA in Anthropology, Seoul National University)

“How to be a good credit-conscious citizen”; Controversies over Government Student Loan in South Korea

Discussant: Prof. Han, Seung-Mi, Yonsei University

As an idea of IFBA (International Forum of Business and Anthropology) was conceived in the Enterprise Anthropology panels of Kunming Congress of IUAES, 2009, we have organized IFBA meetings between IUAES conferences. The first IFBA was held at Minpaku in 2010, organized by Prof. Nakamaki, and its publication was launched as a volume of SES series in 2013, namely *Business and Anthropology: A Focus on Sacred Space*. The second IFBA meeting took place at Hong Kong University in 2011, organized by Prof. Dixon Wong. The third one was also held in China in 2012, but this time in Beijing, convened by Prof. Zhang Jijiao at Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. Papers presented in this meeting were included in the volume *Enterprise and Urban Development: Not All Economic Issues (2013)*, edited by Prof. Zhang Jijiao.

### **C, Prospect of Enterprise Anthropology**

Anthropologists should have great contribution in the field of Enterprise research. The enterprise is becoming increasingly international, workforces and markets, increasingly diverse, participatory management and decision making, increasingly important, communication skills, increasingly in demand. Anthropology is one of the contemporary disciplines that approach human questions from historical, biological, linguistic, and cultural perspectives.

Demand for enterprise anthropologists is increasing stimulated by a growing need for analysts and researchers with sharp thinking skills who can manage, evaluate, and interpret the large volume of data on human behavior. The extent of occupational flexibility reflects the emphasis on breadth, diversity, and independence of thought.

# ETHNIC RELATIONS

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- Any relevant change in the structure or activities of the Commission since August 2013 (for example, election of new chair and deputy-chair).

Expansion of Regional Representatives Board with election of reps for Argentina (Dr. M. Crivos); China (Dr. Q-Y. Li); Russia (O. Pakhomov)

- Commission's participation (past and forthcoming) in IUAES Congresses and Inter-congresses.

Latest IUAES World Congress participation: Kunming 2009

Latest IUAES InterCongress participation: Perth 2011

- Commission's Annual conferences, symposia, workshops (past and forthcoming, if any).

Latest COER-sponsored activities: Multiculturalism Roundtable meetings (Los Angeles, UCLA, 2012); (Beijing, MUC, 2013), and COER Advanced Summer School (in preparation).

- Commission's publications, including Newsletter, books, journals, etc.

*Ethnoculture* e-journal (Vol. 3) - in preparation

COER Blueprint Series (Vol. 2) - in preparation

- Any other relevant information.

Drastic cuts in academic institutional support, worldwide, have greatly hampered COER participation in international events, and the planned migration of the official website to a dedicated server has been greatly slowed down as well. Target completion date is now 8-8-2015.

## GLOBAL TRANSFORMATIONS OF MARXIAN ANTHROPOLOGY

*[iuaes.org/comm/globalchange.html](http://iuaes.org/comm/globalchange.html) Chair: Winnie Lem,  
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### 1. Revitalization

During the IUAES congress in Manchester (August 2013), the Commission on Anthropological Dimensions of Global Change was renewed and renamed with new chairs elected in a meeting held on August 9th.

### Global Transformations and Marxian Anthropology

This commission is devoted to Marxian approaches to anthropology. It promotes research that focuses on capitalism, labor, class conflict, and the theories, methodologies, and disciplinary perspectives that support forces that resist and challenge capitalism. Its purpose is to contribute to understanding the formations of capitalism, with a commitment to the politics of anti-capitalism and related mobilizations worldwide. Such commitment extends to critical engagement at the sites where we work, both within academia and outside it. The commission and its members aim to contribute to social transformations rooted in struggles for social justice and equality. The commission is open to those with a deep interest in a broadly defined Marxist tradition of research.

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The revitalization and changes to this commission were done with the approval of Dr. Laurent Bazin, CNRS (France) the chairperson of IUAES Commission on Anthropological Dimensions of Global Change.

Present at the meeting were:

Patrick Neveling, University of Bern, Switzerland  
Don Kalb, Central European University, Hungary  
Luisa Steur, University of Copenhagen, Sweden  
Winnie Lem, Trent University, Canada  
Gavin Smith, University of Toronto, Canada  
Pauline Gardiner Barber, Dalhousie University, Canada  
Nina Glick Schiller, Manchester University, UK  
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Mallika Shakya, Oxford University, UK  
Sharryn Kasmir, Hofstra University, USA  
Don Nonini, University of North Carolina, USA

## 2. Membership

The individuals who attended the meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> august also constitute the steering committee and initial membership of the revived and renamed commission. Other individuals not present at the meeting and who have expressed interest in membership include:

Gustavo Lins Ribeiro, University of Brasilia, Brazil  
Junji Koizumi, Osaka University, Japan  
Ananth Aiyer, University of Michigan, Flint, USA  
Mao Mollina, University College London, UK

Those interested in becoming members may contact the chair of the commission (wlem@trentu.ca)

## 3. Activities

2013

While the commission on Global Transformations and Marxian Anthropology was formally constituted on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August, members of the commission made a significant contribution to the ongoing IUAES world congress in Manchester in organizing a number of panels. Patrick Neveling (University of Bern) and Luisa Steur (University of Copenhagen/SOAS) organized a set of four 4 panels with the title: Capitalism and global anthropology: Marxism resurgent (PE39).

Members of the commission have also organized a series of panels at the American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings in Chicago (November 2013).

A meeting of the steering committee is planned to take place in Chicago, which will discuss future plans. Members who would like to have input into the meeting may contact [wlem@trentu.ca](mailto:wlem@trentu.ca).

2014

Some members of this commission will jointly sponsor sessions and an event with the Anthropology and Political Economy Seminar (APES) at the Canadian Anthropology Société Canadienne d'Anthropologie (CASCA) in Toronto (May 2014).

George Baca (vice chair) of the commission is planning to organize a session at the inter congress in Japan (May 2014).

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Conferences

2013

American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings (Chicago, United States of A, November)

Patrick Neveling and Don Kalb organized an invited session “Anthropology’s Public Engagement with Capitalism: beyond gifts versus markets”. This session, sought to explore the ways in which our discipline can generate realist analyses of capitalism as a means for understanding the nature of crisis. It asked for presentations from scholars that revisited the theoretical canon of anthropology and also presented fresh studies of the situated complexities of global capitalism and its crises on various spatio-temporal scales.

This was a double session in which members of our commission presented papers.

The session was very well attended and received mention in a debate over the most pertinent new trends in anthropology on the “Savage Minds” blog.

Most of the papers presented were published in July 2014 for the inaugural edition of the FOCAAL blog <http://www.focaalblog.com/2014/07/>

2014

Canadian Anthropology Société Canadienne d'Anthropologie (CASCA) Annual meeting (Toronto, Canada, May) and Anthropology and Political Economy Seminar (APES)

Pauline Garner Barber, Belinda Leach, Gavin Smith and Winnie Lem collaborated to organize APES at the annual meeting of CASCA. The seminar title was “Is the enemy of my enemy my friend?”. The theme explored the positive and negative effects of the interaction of a Marx-influenced anthropological political economy with other critical schools of thought and with other disciplines. Participants were asked to think about the ideas/influences beyond Marxism and anthropology they use; and in order to redress, which perceived lacuna/silence/problem in Marxism and anthropology.

IUAES Inter Congress (Chiba City, Japan, May)

George Baca and Patrick Neveling organized a session “Reconsidering anthropologies of neoliberalism and globalization: historical conjuncture and narratives of rupture”. Papers put theories of globalization and neoliberalism to test and addressed such questions as: In what instances are 'globalization' and 'neoliberalism' legitimate historical/analytical categories that reflect changes in the global system? In what instances are they legends or mythologies? What can anthropological analysis contribute to revealing the mythical dimension of 'globalization' and 'neoliberalism' as cultural categories? What can anthropology



say about the ways in which these periodizations lack analytical rigor and thereby dramatize the contemporary as if it is a frightening break with the past?

EASA Biannual Conference (Tallinn, Estonia, August)

Don Kalb and Massimiliano Mollona convened a panel on „The worldwide urban mobilizations: conundrums of 'democracy', 'the middle class' and 'the people' (jointly sponsored by Focaal and the IUAES Commission on Global Transformation and Marxian Anthropology). Speakers at this well-attended panel addressed the nature of the contemporary urban protests in light of the worldwide urban contentions since the 2000s and focused on analyzing these movements' class basis and their relations to broader scalar hierarchies and transformative processes of the state, capital, and the world system.

American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings (Washington, US of A, November)

Joe Trapido and Patrick Neveling convened a panel on „Modes of Production – Try Again, Fail Better?“. Considering this core debate of Marxist anthropology of the 1960s and 1970s, speakers and discussants went beyond the debating if old critiques were still valid and acknowledged the school's potential for overcoming an analytical dead end of the present when capitalism often appears natural and exchange appears to dominate production. Key areas for reflection included the role of class and class struggle in non-capitalist societies and forms of class struggle that depart from the classic bourgeois/proletarian divide; the relationship between production and reproduction; the (co-)existence of non-capitalist and capitalist modes of production within various social formations; and the analytical possibilities emerging from an application of the modes of production angle to periodisations of recent capitalism as Keynesian/Fordist or neoliberal/post-Fordist.

American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings (Washington, US of A, November)

Winnie Lem and Patrick Neveling, organized a roundtable what is (to be) done? Towards an Anthropological Analysis of the Vicissitudes in Global Capitalism and What They May Lead To. This roundtable sought to advance Anthropology's analytical capacities to capture the vicissitudes of change in the formations of capitalism. Scholars whose work is informed by Marxian anthropology, critical political economy, and critical phenomenology were invited to engage in a dialogue that addressed the logics, practices and processes that sustain inequalities under global capitalism and also challenge them.

### Future Plans/Ongoing Projects

Following the vibrant activity in panel and session organizing of the CGTMA in the past two years, the commission aims to further expand the scope of its activities in 2015 and beyond. One such activity concerns facilitating a close dialogue among the various “traditions” of Marxian anthropology around the globe. A big step in this direction has been made during a workshop in Cuba in January 2015:

Workshop, (Havana, Cuba, January)

Luisa Steur facilitated a collaboration between the Commission on Global Transformations and Marxian Anthropology (CGTMA, IUAES) and the Juan Marinello Institute for Cultural Research (ICIC Juan Marinello, Havana, Cuba) to sponsor a two-day workshop that focused on current topics in socio-cultural anthropology in our respective academic traditions. The workshop with a round-table discussion and papers on “Engaged Anthropology” that focused on about urban transformation and community engagement in changing cities, as well as AIDS research and activism." post-socialist transition and class inequality and politics in Eastern Europe and the Union Carbide disaster in Bhopal, India, as well as the history of Cuban anthropology and the distinct anthropological perspective of the Cuban scholarly tradition. The theme of new economies was also discussed and papers were presented on the

private sector and cooperative workplaces and on the gender dynamics involved in “cuentapropismo” (self-employment/small entrepreneurship) in Cuba as well as the on the cultural and tourism sectors of the Cuban economy. Other papers focused on ethnographic research on street sweepers in Havana as well as about poverty, deindustrialization and gentrification in the U.S. For a detailed report, contact Sharryn.M.Kasimir@hofstra.edu.

IUAES Inter-congress (Bangkok, July)

In conversation with the CGTMA, Mallika Shakya and John Clamner have organized a panel that questions the neoliberal assumption that development is merely about material gain, to be achieved only through competition drawing on profit motive, which in turn is deemed to be the primary signifier of human psychology. Contributors are asked to critically engage with the ongoing theoretical debates on economic development while bringing in varied experiences from around Asia and the rest of the world. In problematizing economic development, this panel will explore the boundaries and overlaps between economic anthropology and sociology, economic history, and comparative politics.

## HUMAN RIGHTS

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### **Seminar/Conference:**

The following panel was organized by Prof. Buddhadeb Chaudhuri in the IUAES Inter Congress held in Tokyo, Japan in May, 2014:

#### **Development, Disadvantaged People and Human Security: The Emerging Problems and Contribution of Anthropology in Resolving the Challenges**

In this Panel 17 papers from 6 countries were contributed. In the Inter Congress, seven persons from four countries actually attended.

A meeting of the Commission was also held during the Inter Congress on 15.5.2014 to discuss the present plan and programme of the Human Rights Commission and also to formulate future programmes. Nine members of the Commission attended the meeting. The members from Bangladesh agreed to organize the Annual Conference of the Commission in early 2015 before 2015 Inter Congress. ( Due to political instability in that country, it could not be organized and may be held in the near future)

IUAES Commission on Human Rights took an initiative in organizing the next Inter Congress in Thailand in July 2015.

A Panel- **Indigenous People: Struggle for Survival** was proposed by the Human Rights Commission of IUAES in the next IUAES Inter Congress to be held in Bangkok, Thailand in July, 2015.

On behalf of the Commission, Prof Buddhadeb Chaudhuri and Dr. Chandreyee Roy attended and presented two papers one on Human Survival and the other on Food Security in the Context of Deforestation in the Annual Conference of American Anthropological Association on 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 in Washington D.C. Dr. Sumita Chaudhuri also presented a paper on Urban Poor and Sustainable Development in this session.

Prof. Buddhadeb Chaudhuri, Chairperson of the Commission also attended the **International Conference on Theory and Practice of Social Governance in Ethnic Asia** in Kunming, China in November, 2014 organised by the Social Science Forum of China and delivered one Key Note Address (Forest and Tribals: Emerging Problems in the Context of Forest Policy)

#### **Publication:**

The Mss. of the volume **Anthropology and Human Rights: Challenges and Opportunities in the New Millennium** based on papers presented in an International Conference organized in 2011 in which the Commission on Human Rights was a part has been sent to the publisher.

The Mss. of another volume – Human Rights : Emerging Issues and Challenges is ready and will be sent to the publisher shortly. This is a collection of articles covering situations of different countries.

During his recent visit to USA, Prof Chaudhuri elaborately discussed with Dr. Clarence Dias regarding a text book on Human Rights to introduce the subject.

It may be added here that the Commission on Human Rights was very much involved in formulating the course structure and programmes of the first Post Graduate Human Rights programme in India in the Calcutta University.

It may also be added here that the activity of the Commission on Human Rights was not only restricted to only research and publication. Dr. Victoria Chenaut prepared the statement on behalf of IUAES in the context of Human Rights violation in Mexico.

## INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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Commission on Indigenous Knowledge and Sustainable Development was established in August 1998, at the 14<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (July 26-August 1, 1998) in Williamsburg, USA.

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- Commission's participation (past and forthcoming) in IUAES Congresses and Inter-congresses.

1. Panel on Indigenous Knowledge and Sustainable Development under Commission supervision at the 17<sup>th</sup> World Congress of the IUAES in Manchester, 5-10 August 2013.

2. Panel on Indigenous Knowledge and Sustainable Development under Commission supervision at the Inter-congress of the IUAES in Chiba, Tokyo, Japan (15-18 May, 2014)

3. Panel on Indigenous Knowledge and Sustainable Development under Commission supervision planned for the Inter-congress of the IUAES in Bangkok, Thailand, 2015.

- Commission's Annual conferences, symposia, workshops (past and forthcoming, if any).

1. Panel on Indigenous Knowledge and Sustainable Development at the 113 Annual Meeting of American Anthropological Association (Washington, D.C., US (December 3-7, 2014)

2. Participants in former presentations of the Commission on Indigenous Knowledge and Sustainable Development were invited to participate in a panel at the American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. December 3-7, 2014. The panel was organized and chaired by Dorothy Billings and Viacheslav Roudnev.

- Commission's publications, including Newsletter, books, journals, etc.

Book on Indigenous Knowledge and Sustainable Development in Anthropology and Ethnology Today Series. Book Series of the 16<sup>th</sup> World Congress of IUAES. Kunming, China. Editor-in-Chief Huang Zhongcai. Edited by Dorothy Billings and Viacheslav Rudnev. 2011.

Commission's Information Bulletin. We are publishing it on the IUAES web page: <http://www.iaes.org/comm/indigenous.html>

- Any other relevant information.

In the period from 1998 till now Commission has organized sessions at the Congresses and Inter-congresses of the IUAES in Germany, Italy, India, Japan, China, Australia, South Africa, UK and USA.

## *INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE*

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#### **I. Summary of the Commission including its history and objectives**

In the past fifteen years, the convergence of anthropological interest in rapid cultural change and traditions and the concern of social agents about the loss and transformation of living cultural heritage have led to very valuable outcomes. In the 1966 Report of the United Nations Commission on Culture and Development “Our Creative Diversity”, in which many anthropologists were involved, including Chie Nakane, Marshall Sahlins and Lourdes Arizpe

–who was head of the Secretariat for the Commission--, anthropological research was the basis for proposing a set of international development guidelines regarding indigenous cultures, cultural pluralism and preservation of cultural heritage.

At present, the organizing bodies and the NGO network of the 2003 International Convention of Intangible Cultural Heritage have been actively consolidating the normative and organizational aspects in several meetings held in Paris and Abu Dhabi. However, the theoretical and methodological aspects of defining, registering and systematizing research in this field have not advanced at the same pace. Therefore, at the recent General Assembly of the State Parties to the 2003 Convention, held in June 2010 in Unesco (Paris), the normative documents of the Convention were amended, calling for closer collaboration with the scientific research community on intangible cultural heritage<sup>(2)</sup>.

The creation of the Commission was approved by IUAES' Executive Committee on October 2010 in Antalya Turkey. At the 28<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the International Social Science Council, held in Nagoya, Japan in December 2010, the Commission was endorsed by ISSC. Lourdes Arizpe was chair of the commission from 2010 to 2013. Cristina Amescua and Kaori Fushiki were elected in 2013

#### Objectives:

- To link and strengthen research networks currently investigating living cultural heritage
- To create research groups on new topics in this field requiring scientific research.
- Provide the scientific and intellectual arena for anthropologists and ethnologists who have the fieldwork knowledge and analytical tools on living cultural heritage to give in-depth analysis of cultural groups in very diverse geographic regions

## **II. Report of activities during the period 2013-2014**

### *A. Participation in IUAES Congresses and Inter-Congresses*

Participation in the IUAES Congress in Manchester (August 2013)

#### a. Track: The world of the mind and the mind in the world

Panel WMW05: Intangible cultural heritage, memory and self-hood

Convenor: Lourdes Arizpe

#### b. Track: Movement, mobility and migration

Panel MMM19: [Travelling cultures, creating new geographies through intangible cultural heritage](#)

Convenor: Cristina Amescua

Participation in the IUAES Inter-Congress 2014, held in Chiba City, Japan May 2014

Panel 074: Anthropology and intangible cultural heritage: new possibilities for traditional topics?

Convenors: Kaori Fushiki, Cristina Amescua

### *B. Organization of other academic activities*

- a. Organization of the **II International Congress on Experiences in the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage, held in Zacatecas México** on October 2013 (we were in charge of the Scientific Committee).

134 papers were presented in a total of 32 sessions, 5 keynote lectures were held and presenters came from Mexico Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Sapin and Perú.

- b. Organization of the **III International Congress on Experiences in the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage**, will be held in Morelos México on September 2015 (we will head both the organizing and the scientific committees)

### *C. Publications*

After the Research Planning Meeting on Intangible Cultural Heritage (held in 2012) we began the editorial work for the publication on the papers presented during the meeting. They were all peer-reviewed and then submitted to Springer. The book, called “Anthropological perspectives on Intangible Cultural Heritage” coordinated by Lourdes Arizpe and Cristina Amescua, was published in June 2013.

<http://link.springer.com/book/10.1007%2F978-3-319-00855-4>

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### 1.4. General Membership

Membership in the Commission on Legal Pluralism is open to anyone with a serious and substantial scholarly or practical commitment to or involvement in the field of legal pluralism.

Currently, 420 lawyers, anthropologists and other social scientists, representing all regions of the world are participants in the activities of the Commission and receive e-mail alerts on events and activities in the field of legal pluralism. In addition, the Commission counts with 65 paying members. The annual membership fee amounts to €31.26 and includes one year complementary online subscription to the Journal of Legal Pluralism, published by Routledge, Taylor & Francis.

## **2. Background information on the Commission on Legal Pluralism**

The Commission on Legal Pluralism furthers knowledge and understanding of legal pluralism, with a focus upon theoretical and practical problems resulting from the interaction of different types of law, such as state law, international and transnational law, religious law, and customary law. It provides a meeting ground for the concerns of social and legal sciences in the study of law in society and the resulting power relations, and in the resolution of social problems. The Commission on Folk Law and Legal Pluralism -as it was originally called- was established in 1978 by the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES), and affiliated with the International Association of Legal Science (IALS), on the initiative of professor G. van den Steenhoven, of the Institute of Folk Law, Nijmegen University, the Netherlands.

The growth of the Commission over the years reflects a growing awareness of the contemporary existence of legal plurality, not only in countries with indigenous peoples and ethnic minorities, but also in the industrialized societies. The Commission's primary purpose, according to its Constitution, is "to further knowledge and understanding of folk law and legal pluralism, with a focus upon theoretical and practical problems resulting from the interaction of folk law and state law". Its activities include, where appropriate, "assisting in making sympathetic and constructive contributions to the solution of problems connected with the interaction of folk law and state law, and thus to the future of indigenous, ethnic and social groups, governed by folk law, in the modern world".

The official website of the Commission on Legal Pluralism is: <http://www.commission-on-legal-pluralism.com>

The Commission also has a page on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LegalPluralism>

## **3. General activities of the Commission on Legal Pluralism**

The Commission's four major current activities are: (1) the organization of international symposia; (2) the organization and delivery of courses and summer schools in legal pluralism, (3) the initiation and encouragement of Regional Working Groups in different parts of the world; and (4) the publication of the Journal of Legal Pluralism.

### **3.1. International Symposia**

The Commission's first scientific symposium was held in Bellagio, Italy, in 1981 on the theme "State Institutions and their Use of Folk Law". The second, on "The Actual and Legal Position of Ethnic and Cultural Minorities", took place in Vancouver, in 1983. Two symposia were held in 1986: in Tutzing, Bavaria, Germany, on "Formal and Informal Social Security", and in Sydney, on "Folk Law and Indigenous Rights - A Comparative Perspective". Since

1986, a long series of symposia were held in Zagreb (Yugoslavia, 1988), in Ottawa (Canada, 1990), in Amsterdam (Netherlands, 1991), in Wellington (New Zealand, 1992), Mexico City, (Mexico, 1993), Accra (Ghana, 1995), Moscow (Russia, 1997), Williamsburg (U.S.A. 1998), Arica (Chile, 2000), and Chiang Mai (Thailand, 2002). New Brunswick (Canada, 2004), Jakarta (Indonesia, 2006), Zurich (Switzerland, 2009), Cape Town (South Africa 2011). The most recent congress took place in Manchester, UK in 2013, in the framework of the 17th World Congress of IUAES. The next congress will be held in Mumbai, in December 2015.

### **3.2. Courses on Legal Pluralism**

The Commission on Legal Pluralism organizes international courses on legal pluralism in which academics and practitioners become acquainted with a theoretical and methodological basis for the study of the co-existence of legal orders and the empirical and theoretical challenges this raises. Theoretical insights are applied to focused themes such as dispute management, natural resource management, human rights, justice and the rule of law, and gender issues. The courses are usually offered in connection with the international conferences organized by the CLP. This was the case in 2002 in Thailand, in 2004 in Canada, in 2006 in Indonesia, in 2009 in Neuchatel, in 2011 in South Africa, and in 2013 in Manchester. The Commission will also organize a pre-conference course on legal pluralism in December 2015, in Mumbai.

### **3.3. Regional working groups**

The Commission has supported the creation of several regional working groups. At present, the main regional working groups are in North America (Law and Society Association, Collaborative Research Network on Legal Pluralism) in Latin America (Latin American Network for Legal Anthropology), and in Asia (regional working group on Legal Pluralism).

### **3.4. Journal of Legal Pluralism**

The Journal of Legal Pluralism and Unofficial Law (JLP) is devoted to scholarly writing and documentation on all aspects of legal pluralism and unofficial law everywhere in the world and at all times. Published since 1969, it is a refereed, independent, interdisciplinary, international journal. Since the Commission on Legal Pluralism was founded, many members have been deeply involved in the work of the JLP as contributors and editorial staff, and papers presented at conferences of the Commission have been and are being frequently published as articles in the JLP.

Effective March 2013, the Journal of Legal Pluralism is published as an official publication of the Commission of Legal Pluralism and is available through the Taylor & Francis group. There are now three issues per year, available both electronically and in hard copy.

The official website of the Journal of Legal Pluralism is:

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjlp20/current#.VOcR3p0VFdg>

## **4. Report of activities 2014**

The Commission's activities in 2014 involved mainly the Executive Body, since no conference or course were organized during this year. The Executive Body met three times in 2014 for

the discussion of the Commission's management and the preparation of the next conference and course on legal pluralism in December 2015 in Mumbai (in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, see point 5). In addition, in 2014 an alerts system for all members was fully implemented, by which they now receive regular updates on activities and topics of interest by e-mail, and a new entry was introduced in Wikipedia on the official publication of the Commission, i.e. the Journal of Legal Pluralism (an entry on the Commission itself is currently underway). Finally, the North American regional group established in 2014 a Collaborative Research Network (CRN) on Legal Pluralism in the framework of the Law and Society Association (see: <http://www.lawandsociety.org/crn.html#48>). The CRN met during the last L&S Annual Meeting in Minneapolis, where it organized several thematic sessions.

## 5. Plans for 2015 and beyond

The Commission on Legal Pluralism will organize its biennial international conference from 14 to 16 December 2015 in Mumbai, in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay. The conference will be preceded by a course on legal pluralism from 9 to 12 December 2015.

The title of the next conference is 'Normative Interfaces of Globalization and High-Tech Capitalism: Legal Pluralism and the Neo-Liberal Turn'. The conference will pay particular attention to emerging areas that have gained in momentum due to processes of globalization, the emergence of 'knowledge economies', and the evolution of high-tech capitalism, including debates and evolving policies on information technology, biotechnology, genetic engineering and intellectual property rights, especially in developing societies and 'emerging economies'. The conference will also address established themes that continue to cause significant concern, such as conflicts and contestations over property, land and natural resources; governance; religion, culture, custom and ethnicity; state and non-state laws; gender; kinship; patriarchy; human rights; development aid and cooperation; as well as migration; mobility; and transnationalism, while exploring how emerging and 'old' themes in the field of legal pluralism relate to each other in theory and practice.

During this event, the Commission will launch a new initiative, namely a 'prize for young scholars' consisting in a conference paper prize for a young scholar presenting a paper during this conference. The prize will consist in the publication of the paper in the Journal of Legal Pluralism. If this initiative is successful, it will be repeated during future conferences.

In 2016, the Commission on Legal Pluralism will hold elections for the renewal of the Board and the Presidency.

# LINGUISTIC ANTHROPOLOGY

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**Change in the structure of the Commission:**

The commission will hold the elections for new chair and/or co-chair, and deputy chair during the Inter-Congress in Dubrovnik in 2016, where a considerable attendance of the members is expected.

**COLA Activities in 2014:**

The members of the Commission have been collaborating in the following activities:

1. The **publication of the papers** edited by Commission Chair presented at the the international conference on: *Multilingualism in the Public Sphere*, Dubrovnik, 2012, co-organized by COLA: *Language, Culture & Tourism: Reflections on Europeanization and identity in post-socialist countries*, (ed. A. Sujoldzic), INANTRO &HAD, Zagreb, 2013.
2. **Co-organization of the international conference on: *Linguistic and Cultural Diversity in Space and Time***, in Dubrovnik, 28 – 30 April 2014. The conference gathered about 100 participants who engaged in important discussions dealing with: *Historical multilingualism – Lessons from the past*: The discussions reconsidered various historical multilingual contexts from the present point of view, to illuminate the relationship between newer and older ideas about linguistic practices that might shed light on present challenges of multilingualism in Europe and other parts of the world; *Commodification of languages – Liaisons dangereuses*: exploring the causes and consequences of the commodification process of linguistic practices process in a multilingual society, particularly in relation to its potential impacts on gender relations, income distribution and social solidarity; *Multilingualism and material life – ‘Talking’ things*: exploring how material culture beyond the scope of classical linguistic landscape mediates communicative practices and intercultural dialogue in a multilingual society; *The dark side of multilingualism – Social visions and divisions* dealing with research of new societal, economic and political developments in Europe and all over the world, such as new nationalisms, new forms of mobility, new relations between hegemonic and heritage languages are some of developments, and their effects on linguistic practices; *Multilingual brains and minds - Joys and fears*: exploring the relations between multilingualism and communicative skills, cognition in general, memory, creativity and health in terms of its benefits and costs.
3. The **organization of the panel on *Linguistic Anthropology - Contributions to the Future***, convened by Olga Orlic, during the **IUAES Inter Congress, Chiba-city**, Tokyo, Japan, May 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> 2014.

### Plans for 2015 and beyond:

1. In 2015, the main plan will be to expand our membership and to gather an updated list of members. We will also establish a website of the Commission to exchange information of general interest to members and to disseminate the outcomes of the relevant research.
2. Although the participation of the members of the Commission at the IUAES Inter-Congress in Bangkok, July 15-17 2015, will be low due to organizational as well as financial reasons, the present members will actively participate in the work and meetings of the Council of Commissions.
3. The Commission has been actively engaged in the organization of IUAES Inter-Congress: *World anthropologies and privatization of knowledge: engaging anthropology in public* to be held in Dubrovnik, from 4th to 9th May 2016. It will organize several panels at the Congress to attract most of its members. During the Inter-Congress in Dubrovnik we intend to hold the elections of Commission officials, that will reflect participation of representatives from different world regions.
3. In line with our foundational aims we will strive to considerably increase our initiatives at future IUAES Inter-Congresses and Congresses, by organizing sessions on important topics in linguistic anthropology, and make contributions to overall IUAES efforts.

## MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY AND EPIDEMIOLOGY

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## Summary of the Commission including its history and objectives:

The Commission on Medical Anthropology and Epidemiology was founded in 1988, at the venue of the 12<sup>th</sup> IUAES Conference held in Zagreb, organized by Professor Pavao Rudan and his team. Through his initiative and vision the Commission was established as an important international working body in the domain of anthropology, genetics, medicine and medical sciences (especially epidemiology) in the widest possible sense.

Through its work it aims at continuously promoting the international scientific, educational and publishing activities connected to the multifaceted strands of medical anthropology, closely connected to the equally important field of epidemiology. Through weaving the two together, a standard was achieved of addressing the observed phenomena simultaneously on two levels of significance - the populational level and the level of the observed medical phenomena.

Regardless of the fact that Medical anthropology is the most dynamic field of anthropological expansion and that it is becoming even more important due to international health system crisis, we believe that the objectives of this Commission, as envisioned, remain and can be expanded into our contemporary research through:

- critically addressing the populational level of problems;
- critically addressing the medical/epidemiological problems in their wide socio-cultural context;
- constructively addressing the means and recommendations for solving or at least alleviating the researched populational health problems and/or sustainability of health.

## Report of activities during 2014:

During 2014, the Commission continuously carried out its regular publishing and organizational activities, which can be summarized as follows:

1. The Commission continued as co-publisher regularly to publish the scientific journal 'Collegium Anthropologicum', the official journal of the Commission. The Journal is indexed in Abstracts in Anthropology, Anthropological Literature, EMBASE, ERIH, HRČAK, International Bibliography of Social Sciences, International bibliography of the Social Science, International center for scientific research (CIRS), JCR\_SSS (Journal Citation Report), Linguistics & Language Behavior Abstracts, NCBI: Index medicus, Medline, PubMed; Political Science Abstracts, ROAD (Directory of Open Access Scholarly Resources), SCOPUS, Social services abstracts, Sociological abstracts (SocINDEX), Web of Science. There are four numbers published per year, with additional two supplements. During 2014 period, 6 volumes (Vol. 38, 1,2,3,4 and suppl. 1 and 2) were printed, that include a great number of scientific and professional papers relevant to all subfields of medical anthropology and epidemiology.

2. The Commission held various meetings in Croatia that were attended and/or organized by a number of its members:

2.1. „Anthropology and Health Conference“ organized by the Commission as co-organizer:

35<sup>th</sup> Anthropology and Health Conference: The convergence of anthropological subfields in research on health and illness: cultural, biological, archaeological, and linguistic factors, Dubrovnik, August 4<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> 2014.

Lecturers: K. Anderson (USA), A. Begić (Bosnia and Herzegovina), L. A. Bennett (USA), B. Bogin (UK), N. Carceller-Maicas (Spain), M. Čoklo (Croatia), S. Doli-Kryeziu (Kosovo), A. Gomula (Poland), J. H. Halilović (Bosnia and Herzegovina), D. Henry (USA), L. Henry (USA), J. Jeszka (Poland), V. Krklec (Croatia), P. Kunstadter (Thailand), B. Legetić (USA), D. Marjanović (Bosnia and Herzegovina), R. Mowson (USA), R. Merritt (USA), K. Musante (USA), N. Nowak (Poland), M. Pasha (USA), Z. Premužić (Croatia), P. Rudan (Croatia), B. Rylko-Bauer (USA), J. Sindik (Croatia), A. Speier (USA), A. Sujoldžić (Croatia), S. Squires (USA), I. Varela Silva (UK), M. Vidovič (Slovenia), L. Whiteford (USA), M. Wozniewicz (Poland), K. Yamamoto (Japan), T. Zborovskaya (Russia).

2.2. „School of Biological Anthropology“ organized by the Commission as co-organizer:

40<sup>th</sup> School of Biological Anthropology: Interactions between Archaic and Modern Humans, Zagreb, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014.

Lecturers: J.-J. Hublin (Germany), B. Viola (Germany), M. Stoneking (Germany), K. Prüfer (Germany), J. Kelso (Germany), P. Korlević (Germany), S. Pääbo (Germany).

2.3. Panel by the Commission on IUAES Congress:

IUAES Inter Congress, Chiba-city, Tokyo, Japan, May 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> 2014.

Medical anthropology into the future: aspirations and challenges



Lecturers: Peter Kunstadter (Thailand), Amelia De Lucia (Italy), Isono Maho (Japan), Benny Malonda (Indonesia), Saša Missoni (Croatia), Udai Pratap Singh (India), Pavao Rudan (Croatia), Rusmin Tumanggor (Indonesia), Kazuhiko Yamamoto (Japan).

## MIGRATION

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- Commission's web-site (if any) and/or Commission's profile on the social media, such as Facebook (if any).

N/A: This issue will be discussed in Bangkok's Inter-Congress, July 2015.

- Any relevant change in the structure or activities of the Commission since August 2013 (for example, election of new chair and deputy-chair).

NO: But ways in which the Commission can come up to levels of other more established Commissions will be discussed.

- Commission's participation (past and forthcoming) in IUAES Congresses and Inter-congresses.

2004: Kolkatta (our first); 2009: Kunming; 2013: Manchester: 2013.

- Commission's Annual conferences, symposia, workshops (past and forthcoming, if any).

N/A

- Commission's publications, including Newsletter, books, journals, etc.

Special Issue: Journal of Social Sciences, KRE Publishers, after the 2009 Congress in Kunming

- Any other relevant information.

Papers for Publication in the Oriental Anthropologist are being sought after from now for publication immediately after the Bangkok Inter-Congress. I can only hope it works.

**For New Commissions and for the Commissions that have been re-organized following the 2013 Congress – In addition to the above information, please indicate:**

- Name of the Commission (for the re-organized Commission, please indicate the old and the new name).

Prof Koizumi had offered to place with the IUAES Exec a name change for “Commission for Migration” to “COMMISSION FOR MIGRATION AND DIASPORA STUDIES”.

- When the Commission was established, or re-organized.

“Re-establishment” of the Commission took place during Manchester Congress.

- List of founding members and supporting members.

As above

- Name/s and e-mail address/es of the Commission’s Chair/s. How the election of the Chair/s was organized (direct voting; on-line voting, etc.).

- Name/s and e-mail address/es of the Commission’s Deputy-chairs. How the election of the Deputy-chair/s was organized (direct voting; on-line voting, etc.).

Since only five people attended (including myself), my suggestion that each one accept to serve on the Committee was accepted. I was asked to continue as convener.

Should the Commission being re-organized, please indicate clearly when you expect to complete this process.

Changes or added activities will be subject to what the meeting in Bangkok decides.

## *MUSEUMS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE*

*Chair: M.K. Gautam, gautammohan[at]hotmail.com*

During the IUAES Manchester IUAES World Conference (2013) the report of the Scientific Commission on Museums and Cultural Heritage between the years of 2009 to 2013 was submitted by Prof. Mohan. K. Gautam, Chairman of the COMACH to Prof. Juni Koizumi, the Secretary-General of the IUAES.

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Dr. Lim Jock Sang,  
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Brunei.

Dr. K.N. Usubaliev,  
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#### **-Change in the COMACH structure during 2014:**

During the Manchester World Conference in 2013 the COMACH Board members of the commission unanimously elected Prof. M. K. Gautam as the Chairman of the COMACH until 2018, the Brazil IUAES World Conference).

Since 2012 Prof. M. K. Gautam has been requesting to Prof Junji Koizumi to select a Museologist-cum Anthropologist from Japan. In 2014 Prof. Koizumi selected Prof. Kenji Yoshida. His name was sent to Prof. Gautam in 2014.

Together with him a COMACH a panel was organized in Japan. The theme was

“Re-imagining ethnological museums: new approaches to developing the museum as a place of multi-lateral contacts and knowledge”

During the IUAES-Inter-Congress , Japan , the elected chairman Prof. M. K. Gautam had a definite plan to go to Japan. Unfortunately, due to shortage of funds (for accommodation in Japan) Prof. M. K. Gautam had to cancel his flight. He did request to Prof. Junji Koizumi to help him and grant him some meager funds for a cheapest accommodation in Japan. The application was rejected when it was officially strongly recommended by the former President of the IUAES Prof. Peter Nas . on 25 May 2014 the Secretary-General selected Prof. Yoshida (Japan) as the Chairperson and Prof. Renato Athias (Brazil) as the Deputy Chairperson.

**-Commission’s website(if any) and or Commission’s profile on the social media:**

After the IUAES World Conference Kunming (China, 2009) Prof. Gautam, the Chairperson of the COMACH tried to contact the Secretary-General several times. Unfortunately there was no response. He wanted to contact him to open a sub-division of the COMACH Commission in the website of the IUAES. Since there was no response, the website was not realized.

**-Any other relevant information:**

Since 1978 during the 10<sup>th</sup> IUAES World Conference in Delhi the COMACH has been sending reports for the Newsletter regularly to the Secretary-General. About the COMACH an article was printed in English and Chinese during the 16<sup>th</sup> IUAES World Conference in Kunming. The article was written by Prof., M. K. Gautam on “ The Identity of Cultural Heritage” in ANTHROPOLOGY NOW, by Peter. J. M. Nas and Zhang Jijiao (Eds.) , China. There have been other books published by the COMACH in 1983, 1987. 1988 . There were various publications and symposia until 2009.

(since the secretary-General has all old Newsletters it is easy to find out the names of the articles, books and symposia). The last panel was organized in Manchester on “The Role of the Museum of Ethnography in a changing multi-cultural society: issues of ethnicity, identity and cultural heritage”.

Unfortunate, it may seem but the fact is due to the paucity of funds from universities, institutions and sponsors many potential scholars could not participate in the IUAES World and Inter Conferences. Unfortunately, in this way many talented scholars do not get opportunity to express their research findings and ethnographical exhibitions .

The COMACH has repeatedly told the Executive Body of the IUAES but nothing has happened. COMACH during the Mexico (1993) Williamsburg(1998) and Manchester (2013) IUAES World conferences did arrange funds from sponsors and invited scholars to contribute

ion the panels. Let us hope that in futures the IUAES will do its best to arrange funds for Potential scholars.

**The set up of the new structure of the COMACH since 2014.**

During the IUAES Japan-Inter congress Prof. Junji Koisumi on 15 May 2014 created a new set up. As I discussed with Prof Prato some members elected during the IUAES Manchester World Conference are included in the new structure of the COMACH.

**Chaipersons:** Prof. Kunji Yoshida  
National Museum of Ethnology (Japan) and  
  
Prof. M. K. Gautam  
President European University of West & East  
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**Deputy Chairperson:** Prof. Renato Athias  
Universidade Federal de Pernambuco  
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Unfortunately it has not been possible to supply immediately the IDs and tel. nos. of the Board members of the COMACH. Soon it would be supplied to Prof. Prato.

List of the Founding members: Prof. Gautam is the founding member since the inception of the COMAC (Chicago's Iuaes World Conference (1973). Dr. Icke-Schwalbe an

Dr. Damodar Frlan are the members , joined COMACH after Zagreb's IUAES Inter-Congress (1988).

The election of the COMACH members has always been organized with direct voting. Prof. Gautam can not tell how the IUAES Inter-Congress in Japan took place. The election of new members was done without informing to Prof. Gautam.

COMACH activities in 2014 and 2015:

Prof. Athias organized the following:

- a) Organization of a book on Ethnographic Collections & Museums and Indigenous (in press to launch 2015)
- b) Supervision of the Museology course at the Federal University of Pernambuco
- c) Organization and coordination of the international seminar "The Ethnographic Museums : the place of anthropology in the contemporary society" (Aug. 2014) in Natal, Brazil
- d) Organiuzation and Coordination II National Indigenous Museum meeting in the university (Dec 2014).
- e) Courses and seminars offered "Ethnomuseology and Anthropology and Museums" (in 2014).

Prof. Junji Yoshida (since he did not send me his museum activities I can not give you his detailed activities).

- a) organized a COMACH panel together with Prof. Gautam during the IUAES Inter-Congress in Japan on “ Re-imagining ethnological museums: new approaches to developing the museum as a place of multi-lateral contacts and knowledge. Prof. Gautam could not attend the conferences.
- b) Organised a week to give lectures on Museology in 2014 in Japan.
- c) Organised an exhibition on “the Power of Images of the National Museum of Ethnology collection at National Art Center, Tokyo in 2014.

Prof. M. K. Gautam

- a) Organized and gave lectures on the Museum Management at the Shivaji University, Kolhapur , India. in Dec 2013.
- b) Submitted a paper for the IUAES Japan-Inter Conference on” The New Role of Ethnographical Museums in re-examining the identity canvas of the tribal cultures”.
- c) Submitted a paper to the Siberia Conference on “ The Applied Role of the Museums of Ethnography in creating a bridge of understanding between the Ethnic Native Minorities and the Dominant Society: Re-examining the identity and cultural heritage for an ethnic policy in multi-cultural society” (in October 2014).
- d) Helped and arranged an exhibition on the Indian Diaspora in MGI Mauritius in November 2014.
- e) Arranging a COMACH panel together with Prof. Renato Athias for the IUAES Inter- Congress in Thailand 2015 on “Re-thinking Ethnographic Museums: New Approaches and Perspectives in the Contemporary Society”
- f) The trends in World Museums for the last two decades” the book is in press and can be released in 2015.
- g) Working and editing on the Manchester COMACH Panel Conference papers.

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Journal website *Nomadic Peoples* [http://cnp.nonuniv.ox.ac.uk/NP\\_journal](http://cnp.nonuniv.ox.ac.uk/NP_journal)

This site is maintained by White Horse Press <http://www.whpress.co.uk>

<https://www.facebook.com/thewhitehorsepress>

### **5. Any relevant change in the structure or activities of the Commission since August 2013 (for example, election of new chair and deputy-chair).**

Professor Dawn Chatty (Oxford University) retired as Chair of CNP having served from 1998-2013. Professor Elliot Fratkin (Smith College, USA), who was elected Deputy Chair in 2009, assumed chairmanship 2013 – present,

Tory Sternberg (Oxford University) was elected Deputy Chair by direct vote at CNP Business Meeting, IUAES Congress Manchester UK, 2013.

Saverio Krätli was reaffirmed as editor of *Nomadic Peoples*

Professor Jeremy Swift (Sussex University) was awarded the CMP Lifetime Achievement at 2013 Business Meeting of CNP in Manchester. Elected

Our Journal *Nomadic Peoples* changed publishers from Berghahn Press to White Horse Press in 2014. (Dr S. Johnson, Publisher, 10 High Street, Knapwell, Cambridge, CB23 4NR, UK

<http://www.whpress.co.uk> <https://www.facebook.com/thewhitehorsepress>)

It continues to be edited by Saverio Krätli.

### **6. Commission's participation (past and forthcoming) in IUAES Congresses and Inter-congresses.**

a) 2013 IUAES Congress in Manchester UK, 7-8 August 2013.

The Commission on Nomadic Peoples sponsored two large panels:



MMM09 “The emerging world of pastoralists and nomads.” Conveners: Prof Dawn Chatty (University of Oxford); Prof Philip Carl Salzman (McGill University). Twenty eight papers presented

MMM12 “Lost in mutation: pastoral development rhetoric of the third millennium.”

Convener: Dr Saverio Kratli (IUAES Commission of Nomadic Peoples). Eight papers presented

b) 2014 IUAES InterCongress in Chiba City, Japan, 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2014

IUAES Commission on Nomadic Peoples presented two panels of three sessions each:

Panel 038 “Sedentarization and Concentration among Nomadic Peoples.” Convener Kazunobu Ikeya, National Museum of Ethnology. Twelve papers presented.

Panel 043 “Development and Pastoralists (convener Kazuyuki Watanabe, Ritsumeikan University. Seven papers presented.

c) Call for Papers for 2015 IUAES Inter Congress in Bangkok

Tilman Musch and Rami Wadelnour at Universität Bayreuth invite members of the Commission for Nomadic Peoples to submit papers to their panel, [P4-04 “Contesting the “Emptiness” of Space: Towards an Anthropology of Deserts.”](#)

**7. Commission’s Annual conferences, symposia, workshops (past and forthcoming, if any).**

**8. Commission’s publications, including Newsletter, books, journals, etc.**

Our Journal *Nomadic Peoples*, founded in the 1970s, changed publishers from Berghahn Press to White Horse Press in 2014. It continues to be edited by Saverio Krätli. Two issues of *Nomadic Peoples* were published in 2014, Volume 18 No with six articles, three book reviews, and one obituary; Volume 18 No. 2 with seven articles, three book reviews, and one obituary.

Volume 19 No 1 (2015) is currently in publication.

**9. Commission’s profile on the social media,**

White Horse Press <https://www.facebook.com/thewhitehorsepress>

## THEORETICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

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«World Congress on State Origins and Related Subjects»

The congress took place in WANE Conference Centre at Wigry, Poland, from 7th to 13th September 2014. It was first announced at the 16th World Congress of IUAES in Manchester

which took place in early August 2013, during the COTA session “Towards a universal paradigm in political anthropology”. Later the congress was repeatedly advertised on the pages of *Anthropology Today* (published in London by the Royal Anthropological Institute) and distributed worldwide. The main organizers were Petr Skalník (University of Wrocław), Aleksander Posern-Zieliński (University of Poznań) and Mariusz Ziółkowski (University of Warsaw). The Organizing Committee also included Jerzy Brozowski (Suwalki Regional Museum), Renée van Kessel-Hagesteijn (Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research or NWO), Michał Tymowski (University of Warsaw) and Nikolay Kradin (Far Eastern Federal University). Secretary was Jan Szymański (University of Warsaw). Chapurukha Kusimba (American University) was invited to the committee but after he helped with editing of the Call for Papers, he stopped working with the Organizing Committee and had to be dropped from it.

The preparation of the congress was complicated because the IUAES leadership declined any financial support. This adverse fact made applying for financial support from other sources very difficult. Eventually, however, the NWO, University of Wrocław, University of Warsaw, Uchitel Publishing House and most importantly the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education (applied by the Polish branch of The Explorers Club) provided the organizers with enough financial backing so that the congress could do without a special registration fee. Renting the conference room and equipment, lodging and meals of the delegates were all covered from the grants. The overall expenditure reached the sum of PLN 30 000<sup>1</sup> which was equal to the received subsidies. I am very thankful to all institutions for their financial support and those individuals who negotiated and applied for the grants.

The Call for Papers with further information about the congress was sent out in September 2013. Its wording was as follows:

**Origins of the state and related subjects – Outline of the world congress Poland  
2014**

(under the auspices of the IUAES Commission on Theoretical Anthropology)

The research on the origins of the state has made a considerable progress during the last 50 years. New discoveries by archeologists, anthropologists, historians and political scientists have brought into the light various empirically based theories and hypotheses which inspire further research and encourage new generations of investigators to come forward with even more refined theses and hypotheses. Especially notable have been works of Elman Service, Morton Fried, Ronald Cohen, Robert Carneiro, Kent Flannery, Bruce Tigger, Pierre Clastres, Henri Claessen, Lawrence Krader, Timothy Earle, Kristian Kristiansen, and Gary Feinman

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<sup>1</sup> Equal to USD 10 000 according to the rate of exchange valid in September 2014.

to name only a few. Russian scholars Dmitri Bondarenko, Leonid Grinin, Andrey Korotayev and Nikolay Kradin came with analogues and alternatives to the ruling neoevolutionist theories. The international journal Social Evolution and History, has emerged as one of the the standard journals for new viewpoints, research results, and fielding discussions of the most controversial topics. The recent issue (vol. 11, No.2) carrying the "reformulation" article by Carneiro followed by responses and Carneiro's reply is an example of the creative challenge within the state origins research. The national conference of the Polish Academy of Sciences which took place in Poznań in November 2012 is another example of the attractiveness of the problematic of the state origins.

It was at that conference that Petr Skalník suggested that a world congress be organized in Poland which would bring together researchers from all continents who will present their latest findings and discuss newest versions of theories concerning various ways of political centralization processes, be they called chiefdomhood or statehood or otherwise. The research on the state origins and related topics is based on empirical evidence which while narrowing the space for conjecture allows for new hypotheses and suggestions for research on thus far unusual themes. The congress will preferably consist of only plenary sessions. There will be plentiful opportunity for discussion, individual gatherings, networking, and good food. We hope to publish the conference proceedings with a prestigious press.

The congress will be held in a congenial atmosphere of the Wigry Conference Centre located in beautiful environment of northeastern Poland ([www.wigry.pro](http://www.wigry.pro)), from 7 to 14 September 2014.

Abstracts of proposed papers are welcome (max. 500 words). They should reach the organizers by not later than 31 October 2013 ([skalnik.petr@gmail.com](mailto:skalnik.petr@gmail.com)). The evaluation of abstracts will be carried out by a scientific committee composed of Renée Hagesteijn, Nikolay Kradin, Chapurukha Kusimba, Aleksander Posern-Zieliński, Michał Tymowski, Mariusz Ziółkowski and Petr Skalník. The authors of accepted abstracts will be notified not later than 15 November 2013.

18 September 2013

Petr Skalník, COTA Chair

As there was first a slow response to the Call for Papers the deadline for the submission of abstracts had to be extended until the middle March 2014. By that time 30 abstracts were received. Evaluation of abstracts was done by the members of the Organizing Committee. Three abstracts had to be rejected. Authors of the accepted abstracts received the invitation letters. One letter, that to J. Daniel Rogers, was not sent because of the confusion on the list of accepted abstracts. I apologized to Rogers and invited him to submit his paper for publication in the resulting volume. We had to send special letters to those invited delegates who needed it in order to obtain the Polish visa. Local arrangements in Wigry and Suwalki was undertaken by Mariusz Ziółkowski and Jerzy Brozowski to whom we owe sincere thanks. As the congress approached several invited delegates apologized for their absence

(Korotayev, Grinin, Kradin, van Kessel-Hagesteijn, Vdovchenkov, Bondarenko). Instead, the archaeologist Andrzej Buko offered to present a paper on the beginnings of the Polish state.

Monday 7 September was devoted to the visit of the Suwalki Regional Museum and the archaeological site of Szurpily. The delegates were introduced by two Polish archaeologists to the up to date knowledge about the Yotvingians, who are thought to be precursors of the state in today's north-eastern Poland and adjacent parts of Lithuania. Lunch was offered in Puńsk, a small town inhabited by Lithuanian minority. A guided tour in local Lithuanian open air museum followed. In the evening the Lord Mayor of Suwalki, Mr Czeslaw Renkiewicz, invited the delegates to a sumptuous reception.

The congress proper began on Tuesday 9 September in the congenial atmosphere of the former Kamedulian monastery in Wigry which now serves as a conference centre. It took place under the auspices of Marek Bojarski, Rector of the University of Wroclaw and Alojzy Nowak, Vice-Rector of the University of Warsaw. Professor Nowak arrived for the opening and officially opened the congress. Also three main organizers (Posern-Zieliński, Ziółkowski, Skalník) welcomed the participants. In the three days of 23 papers were presented and discussed. Two papers were read because the authors had apologized shortly before the congress. There were also three special discussion sessions. At the end of the congress the delegates discussed 1) the question of COTA as a platform for further research on state origins which was accepted, 2) the possibilities for publication of the revised papers and 3) the role of the journal *Social Evolution and History* as a forum for continuous publication of research on state origins.

The breakdown of paper-giving participants by nationality was as follows: Polish 13, Russian 4, American 2, British 1, Canadian 1, Czech 1. One Dutch and one Russian delegate apologized shortly before the congress. Papers by Dmitri Bondarenko and Renée van Kessel-Hagesteijn were read by Petr Skalník. The breakdown of papers by region was as follows: Eastern and Central Europe 8, Mediterranean 1, Theory 6, Asia 1, Africa 5, The Americas 2. Breakdown by disciplines was: Archaeology 6, History 6, Anthropology 9, Political Science 2. Interdisciplinary profile of the congress was evident, but especially state origins in Western Europe, Near and Far East and Oceania were not represented among the papers presented. It was agreed that revised papers by the delegates and those who could not come to Wigry but wanted to participate will be sent by the end of 2014. Subsequently a publication project will be presented to several publishers so that by the end of 2015 the book publication will be available. COTA chairperson (Skalník) will explore future possibilities for conferences on the same or similar topic.

On Friday 12 September the participants could choose from two day excursions: 1) Trakai Castle and Kernavé in Lithuania, and 2) Wigry environs. There was a farewell dinner for all the delegates served in the conference centre.

The congress was a successful activity of COTA in cooperation with several Polish institutions and it is hoped that the topic of state origins will continue to be on the agenda of the commission. I attach a pdf of the printed programme of the congress (without last minute adjustments).

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### **Report of activities during the period 2013-2015**

Full reports of the Commission's activities are published in the CUA Annual Bulletin. Below there is a summary of the activities for the period 2013-2015.

2013 –IUAES 17th congress *Evolving Humanity, Emerging Worlds*, Manchester, UK; 5th-10th August.

The CUA participated in the XVII IUAES World Congress with nine panels: LD05 and LD10 (which also include papers by biological anthropologists); MMM05; PE04; PE05; PE07; PE14; SE02; WMW03.

Giuliana Prato, Chair of the CUA, served on the Congress National Organizing Committee.

2014 –IUAES Inter-congress, *The Future with/of Anthropologies*, Chiba, Japan,

15-18 May. The CUA originally organized five panels: P016, P035, P121, P066. Due to lack of funds and the impossibility of participants to meet the cost for attending the congress, Panel P066 was cancelled; Panel P035 was left with only one paper-giver, who was accommodated in panel P016. Panel P016 and panel P121 also suffered a considerable number of cancellations. Panel, P016 was jointly organized with the Commission on the Anthropology of Women.

2014 – CUA Annual Conference, *Dreamed/planned cities and experienced cities*, Université Jean Monnet, Saint-Etienne, France, 8-10 July. 2

### ***Forthcoming in 2015:***

2015 – CUA Annual Conference, *The Global Financial Crisis and the Moral Economy: Local Impacts and Opportunities*, Brooklyn College, CUNY Brooklyn, New York,

June 18-20

2015 – IUAES Inter-congress, *Re-imagining Anthropological and Sociological Boundaries*. Thammasat university, Bangkok, 15-17 July. The following panels have been convened under the auspices of the CUA: P1-02; P1-07; P2-01; P7-07 (jointly organized with the proposed Commission on Anthropology of Music, Dance and Related Practices).

### **Publications**

1) The CUA publishes an *Annual Bulletin*, which is distributed through the CUA mailing list.

2) In November 2011, senior members of the CUA launched the on-line, open access journal *Urbanities*: <http://www.anthrojournal-urbanities.com/>. In addition to peer-reviewed articles, *Urbanities* publishes review articles, book reviews, current research reports, abstracts of recently completed doctoral theses, timely letters, comments and reflections. As a service to the community of scholars, *Urbanities* also welcomes brief announcements and reports of conferences, academic seminars and course offerings, new books from publishers, as well employment, fellowship and grant opportunities. Further details are posted on the Journal web-site and on the Facebook profile at: <https://www.facebook.com/anthrojournal.urbanities>

3) *Forthcoming publications:*

Three Special issues of the Journal *Urbanities* and two edited volumes, which include selected and revised papers from the CUA conferences held in 2012 in Naples and in Prague, and in 2014 in St Etienne. All publications are peer-reviewed.

## **URGENT ANTHROPOLOGICAL RESEARCH**

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