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Lodz, Poland, June 12th-14th, 2020

Call for Papers (in French, English or Polish):

“Imaginaries of Time, Times of the Imaginary”

This comparative, self-reflexive and critical workshop would like to deepen the analysis of time and temporalities in Europe, an analysis which had already been undertaken in several previous workshops of the Eurethno network. The focus of this workshop, first based of ethnology and cultural anthropology, is also open to the points of view of other disciplines (history, geography, archaeology, art history, sociology, cultural studies, philosophy, religious studies etc.).

Time is an essential topic in the study of festivals, celebrations, calendars, festive activities and religious, ritual, folkloric, magic, profane, laic ceremonies in today and yesterday traditions and customs, in the life of contemporary or historical groups and societies, as well as in daily life and in the “life” of material artifacts. The inscription of time into space and into private and public individual and community spaces, as well as in social relations, gives birth to practices and narratives which can be questioned at different scales according to an interdisciplinary perspective.

Because of its transversality, the notion of time opens a reflection on general problems: what does the change of different cultural aspects mean? How should we think the questions of duration and cultural persistence, especially in connection with the general
success of the notion of cultural heritage? Why is it possible to talk about change or continuity, in the context of ethnological methods, fieldwork, ethics, and research techniques?

In a more specific way it is possible to study, in different sociocultural, national or geographical settings, the contemporary transformations of the imaginaries of time: has the notion of “mythical time”, worked out in the first Eurethno network workshops, been renewed, and how? Is it still relevant at the European scale in the XXIst century? Hasn’t it been replaced by a “time of the imaginary” around which small groups locally gather to promote specific practices and representations?

Therefore, a global perception of time would be replaced by multiple experiences of temporality, in a constantly evolving historical context. Presentations (in French, English or Polish) are welcome concerning the transformations and the renewal of the conceptions of time and temporality in different social worlds and European countries.

Dates : 12-13-14 June 2020

Place : Lodz, Poland

Local organizers: Institute for Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology at the University of Lodz and Polish Ethnological Society – Section of Lodz with Chair for Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology from the Institute of Culture Research at the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń.

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Material issues:

Delegates have to secure funding from their institution to pay for their trip to/from Lodz and accommodation (low cost accommodation will be available at the university). The conference fee includes all meals (the coffee break and lunch for the 2 days, and the festive dinner): 80 Euros (60 Euros for unemployed or colleagues coming from non-Euro zone countries).


Please address your proposals on a Word document (1 page abstract + name, surname, e-mail address, institution) before Décembre 31st 2019 at laurent.fournier@univ-amu.fr and inga.kuzma@uni.lodz.pl

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