

Minutes of SIEF Space-lore and Place-lore Working Group Business Meeting

Date and place: 22 June 2015, Zagreb, University of Zagreb, main building of the Faculty of Arts, room 106

Participants: Gábor Barna (University of Szeged, Hungary), Jiří Woitsch (Institute of Ethnology, Czech Academy of Sciences Prague, Czech Republic), Anamaria Inga (Museum of the Romanian Peasant, Romania), Levente Szilágyi (HAS Institute of Ethnology, Budapest, Hungary), Jelka Vince Pallua (Institute of Ivo Pilar, Zagreb, Croatia), Dunja Brozovic Roncevic (University of Zadar, Croatia), Valentina Gulin Zrnica (Institute of Ethnology and Folklore Research, Zagreb, Croatia), Sara Kohne (University of Bergen, Norway), Jacob Geuder (University of Basel, Switzerland), Georg Wolfmayr (University of Vienna, Austria), Anna Eckert (University of Vienna, Austria), Valentina Rozas-Krause (University of California, USA), Trude Renwick (University of California, USA), Ivana Gmizic (University of Zadar, Croatia), László Mód (University of Szeged, Hungary)

1. Gábor Barna, the head of the WG congratulates those who are interested in the meeting and introduced the history and current focus of the WG.
2. The participants introduce themselves shortly. (Which institutes they are belong to?, Why they are interested in the topic?)
3. Discussion starts about the future plans and the possibilities of cooperation with main suggestions: WG should focus on both non-urban (rural) and urban places and spaces in past as well as in present; not only material spaces and places should be studied but also places of/in memory and imagined places; a cooperation with human geographers and/or architects could be fruitful; a new conceptualization, comparative study and discussion on new technical means (especially GIS) is needed in the traditional field of ethnocartography.
4. Gábor Barna resigns his position and new board has been elected. The participants elects two co-chairs, namely Jiří Woitsch and Jelka Vince Pallua and one secretary, namely László Mód.
5. The new board of SIEF Space-lore and Place-lore WG plans to organize conferences regularly (in the years between SIEF congresses) and prepare panels for the SIEF congresses.

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