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CONFERENCE

# INTERETHNIC RELATIONS IN CENTRAL EUROPE: COEXISTENCE – CONFLICTS – MIGRATION

THE CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN THE DEAN'S OFFICE CONFERENCE HALL,  
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ON 19TH – 20TH OCTOBER 2022

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THE RELATIONS BETWEEN PARTICULAR ETHNIC COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE HISTORICALLY FORMED IN CENTRAL EUROPE HAVE LONG BEEN A SUBJECT MATTER STUDIED BY SEVERAL ACADEMIC DISCIPLINES, WITH ETHNOLOGY HAVING ITS PERMANENT PLACE AMONG THEM. IN ITS HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT, ETHNOLOGY, IN TERMS OF ITS TOPICS AND APPROACHES, HAS HAD TO REFLECT THE RELEVANT ETHNIC (OR ETHNICALLY-CONDITIONED POLITICAL) SITUATION.

IN THE STUDY OF INTERETHNIC CONTEXTS, ETHNOLOGY USUALLY DIRECTED ITS ATTENTION IN DIRECTIONS DIFFERING FROM THOSE OF, FOR EXAMPLE, HISTORICALLY PROFILED RESEARCH AND ITS FOCUS ON POLITICAL HISTORY AND IDEOLOGICAL CONSTRUCTS ACCOMPANYING THIS ISSUE. THE CONDUCTED RESEARCH RATHER FOCUSED ON CULTURAL AND SOCIAL CONTEXTS, INITIALLY MAINLY ON THE BASIS OF SO-CALLED FOLK CULTURE, BUT LATER ON WITH A TENDENCY TO EXPAND THE CORRESPONDING RESEARCH FIELD TO OTHER CULTURAL AND SOCIAL LEVELS. THE STUDY OF THE ISSUE WAS BASED ON SELECTED REGIONS AND LOCALITIES, BUT IT ALSO TOOK ON PURELY MICRO-SOCIAL FORMS.

THE CONFERENCE IS SUPPOSED TO REFLECT THE PRESENT-DAY SITUATION IN THE STUDY OF INTERETHNIC RELATIONS AND PROCESSES, AS THIS IS CURRENTLY DEVELOPED THROUGH ETHNOLOGICAL, HISTORICAL, ANTHROPOLOGICAL AND POLITICAL SCIENCE RESEARCH. FROM A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE, BUT ALSO TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE PRESENT-DAY SITUATION, THE CONFERENCE SHALL FOCUS MAINLY ON THREE PARTIAL THEMATIC AXES WHICH CAN BE IDENTIFIED IN THE REALM OF INTERETHNIC RELATIONS:

- 1) COEXISTENCE
- 2) CONFLICT
- 3) MIGRATION.

THESE ARE KEY AND OFTEN MUTUALLY INTERCONNECTED CATEGORIES THROUGH WHICH IT IS POSSIBLE TO OBSERVE THE SPECIFIC FEATURES OF VARIOUSLY DEFINED SOCIETIES (WHILE APPLYING TERRITORIAL, ETHNIC, SOCIO-PROFESSIONAL, CONFESSONAL OR OTHER ASPECTS), THE STRATEGY AND BEHAVIOUR OF ACTORS, AS WELL AS THE DEGREE OF CONTAMINATION THROUGH STIMULI FROM THE EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENT. THE RESEARCH FORMED LIKE THIS ALLOWS US TO OBSERVE THE STATIC AND THE DYNAMIC LEVEL OF THE PHENOMENON. RESEARCH ATTENTION CAN BE AIMED AT THE SITUATION IN A SELECTED LOCALITY, REGION OR COMMUNITY, BUT ALSO AT MIGRATION PROCESSES, AND THEIR CAUSES, COURSE AND CONSEQUENCES IN THE FORM OF COEXISTENCE, INTEGRATION, CULTURAL EXCHANGE AND OTHER SUBSEQUENT SOCIO-CULTURAL PROCESSES WHICH THE ETHNOLOGICAL AND ANTHROPOLOGICAL RESEARCH HAS LONG DEALT WITH (MEANING INCLUDING CATEGORIES, SUCH AS ETHNIC AWARENESS AND IDENTITY, TRANSNATIONALISM, RE-EMIGRATION, CULTURAL EXCHANGE AND ACCULTURATION).

ATTENTION CAN ALSO BE AIMED AT THE LEVEL OF ACTORS (MOTIVATION, REPRESENTATION, RESPONSE TO EXTERNAL STIMULI IN ACCORDANCE WITH AGE, SOCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY, LIFE STORY AND NARRATION, OR TRANSMISSION TO SHARED COLLECTIVE MEMORY). THE REFLECTION ON THE OBSERVED ISSUE, ANALYSING HOW THE THEME OF INTERETHNIC RELATIONS HAS BEEN DEALT WITH IN A WIDE DISCIPLINARY AND SOCIAL CONTEXT, SHOULD NOT BE OMITTED. THE TERRITORY WILL BE DEFINED BY THE CENTRAL EUROPEAN AREA THAT FROM THE HISTORICAL POINT OF VIEW REPRESENTS QUITE A DIVERSE ETHNIC COMPOSITION, INCLUDING SEVERAL MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITIES WITH RELATIONS TO THE BALKANS. AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS AN AREA THAT HAS BEEN CONSIDERABLY DYNAMIC IN TERMS OF ETHNIC PROCESSES OVER THE PAST TWO CENTURIES.

#### **THEMATIC AREAS OF THE CONFERENCE:**

**1) COEXISTENCE** – COEXISTENCE OF ETHNIC COMMUNITIES WITHIN A COUNTRY, NATIONAL STATE, CULTURAL EXCHANGE, ACCULTURATION.

**2) CONFLICTS** – ETHNIC CONFLICTS, THEIR EMERGENCE, CAUSES AND CONSEQUENCES, SOURCES (POLITICAL, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, RELIGIOUS), ETHNIC VIOLENCE, THEORY OF CONFLICT (PRIMORDIALISM, INSTRUMENTALISM, AND CONSTRUCTIVISM).

**3) MIGRATION** – ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL MIGRATION, REFUGEE ISSUES, CONTROLLED MIGRATION.

REGISTRATION FOR THE CONFERENCE IS OPEN UNTIL 15 JUNE 2022. THE ACCEPTANCE OF PARTICIPATION WILL BE COMMUNICATED BY THE ORGANIZERS BY 30 JUNE 2022. CONFERENCE FEE: 400 CZK IS PAYABLE AT THE CONFERENCE VENUE.

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