Dear Members of HOAN,

This is HOAN’s 5th circular to inform you about developments regarding the History of Anthropology Network. HOAN has 155 members, incl. 11 correspondents. With their help we report on Past events; research projects in France, Germany and Poland; recent publications in English, French, Polish, Italian and Russian; and Future events.

Past events


Valencia, Spain, September: A colloquium on “The History of Anthropology and Ethnology in Spain and the Hispanic American World” took place on the fringe of the XIV Congress of the Spanish Federation of Anthropology Associations (FAAEE) in Valencia, Spain, 6 September 2017. It was organized by Andrés Barrera González and Carmen Ortiz García (both Madrid). The meeting was well attended. Brief presentations were made by four scholars working in this field, followed by comments from two invited discussants (see here: [http://congresoantropologiavalencia.com/programa/actos-paralelos/actos-academicos/](http://congresoantropologiavalencia.com/programa/actos-paralelos/actos-academicos/)). The convenors read aloud and summarized communications sent by anthropologists who could not attend the meeting. Questions and comments were taken from participants in the open debate that followed the formal presentations. Among those who spoke were Dr. Andrés Fábregas and Dr. Miguel Lisbona, two senior anthropologists from Mexico. Their comments served to underscore the key importance for the history of anthropology of the Mexico/Spain connection starting in the 16th century and running up to the 20th century, which has worked in both directions. (A video recording of the colloquium is available here.) In formal and informal exchanges during and after the colloquium, a consensus emerged that it was worth the effort to keep in contact and explore ways to bring about collaborative endeavours such as setting up an e-mailing and discussion list as well as a network in the framework of the FAAEE, with the purpose of convening regular panels or workshops about the history of anthropology during the periodic conferences of Spanish anthropologists. Moreover, the feasibility of launching a book series on the history of Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking anthropologies and ethnologies should be explored, starting maybe with the compilation of a collective volume on the subject. The ambition is to draw the contours of a field and make a contribution to its institutionalisation, by pursuing the systematic study of the history and intellectual genealogies of a “peripheral” but unique tradition in anthropology and ethnology.


See Resources (Newsletter No. 5):

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Cambridge, UK, September: A conference on “Histories of Anthropology: Transforming Knowledge and Power (1870-1970)” was held at the University of Cambridge on 18-19
September 2017. Two themes were discussed: the first concerned the history of anthropology’s relationship with cognate disciplines; the second explored the political and social history of anthropology, its relationship to governance, colonialism and broader political and social transformations. Conference committee: Freddy Foks, Valentina Mann and Viktor M Stoll. See: https://cambridgehistoriesofanthropology.wordpress.com/

Bozen-Bolzano, Italy, September: A conference on The Malinowskian Legacy in Ethnography took place as the 3º Biennial Symposium “Anthropological Talks in South Tyrol” on 21-22 September 2017. URL: https://mfea.projects.unibz.it/event/symposium-malinowskian-legacy-ethnography/ This symposium is one of the activities of the “Malinowski Forum for Ethnography and Anthropology” (MFEA) at Bozen-Bolzano, started a few years ago by Dorothy Louise Zinn and Elisabeth Tauber, both connected to the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano. Starting with the traces of Malinowski and his family, who lived in Oberbozen and Bozen in the 1920s and 30s, the forums promotes research on Malinowski, his wife Elsie Masson, and the circulation of anthropologists and other intellectuals (e.g., Freud) who frequented South Tyrol in the early twentieth century. It comprises projects such as the collection of archival material, videos, bibliographies, and links to institutes, associations, lectures and awards dedicated to Malinowski and his contemporaries. More information on the MFEA’s website: https://mfea.projects.unibz.it/

Berlin, Germany, October: History of Anthropology Workshop. The workshop was convened by the DGV-Working Group “History of Anthropology” around the theme “From the History of Anthropology to its Future: Historical, Moral, and Political Affinities.” Convened by Peter Schweitzer (Vienna) and Han Vermeulen (Halle), the workshop included seven papers and a keynote address by Bernhard Streck, Professor Emeritus of the University of Leipzig. For the programme titles and abstracts, see: https://tagung2017.dgv-net.de/workshops/ under “Workshop 17.” A report was submitted to the History of Anthropology Newsletter in December 2017; a report on the conference and the DGV’s name change will appear in Anthropology Today.

Lviv, Ukraine, October: Lecture by Maria Rhode (Göttingen) From the Habsburg Empire to the Age of Extremes: Physical Anthropology at Lviv University 1913-1944 held at the Centre for Urban History of East Central Europe on 13 October. See http://www.lvivcenter.org/en/chronicle/news/2560-17-10-12-maria-rhode/


Belgrade, Serbia, October: a symposium on Individualism was organized by Suzana Ignjatović and Aleksandar Bošković at the Institute of Social Sciences in Belgrade on 20 October, as a product of the newly formed Department of Anthropological Research at this Institute. The contributions were published and the book (also edited by Ignjatović and Bošković) is freely available at: http://www.idn.org.rs/kalendar/Individualizam12.pdf (three chapters in English, and all contributions have Abstracts in English).

Philadelphia, USA, 30 October: HAN 2017 Lecture by Alice Conklin. In celebration of the second anniversary of the online relaunch of the Newsletter, the History of Anthropology Newsletter (HAN) hosted a public lecture by Professor Alice Conklin
Warsaw, Poland, November: Paper by Grażyna Kubica (Institute of Sociology UJ) Skłodowska antropologii, czyli Maria Czaplicka i inne badaczki. [Sklodowska of anthropology: Maria Czaplicka and other researchers.] Presented during the conference Maria Skłodowska-Curie 2017 – Medicina – Scientia – Cultura held at the Faculty of Physics, University of Warsaw on 8 November. See http://msc2017.pl/

Rouen, France, November: A one-day conference on Renaissance anthropology (15th-17th centuries) was organised at the University of Rouen on 21 November, titled “L’anthropologie à la Renaissance. Journée d’étude.” The proceedings will be published in the online journal Clio&Themis this spring: http://www.cliothemis.com. Convenors: geraldine.cazals@univ-rouen.fr and marie.houllemare@u-picardie.fr.

Warsaw, Poland, December: Paper by Tomasz Rakowski (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, University of Warsaw) Culture, Development, Anthropology: Revisits and Reanalyses in Torgut Bulgan. Presented during the International conference Revisits and Reinterpretations of Qualitative Sociological Data held at the Institute of Philosophy and Sociology (PAN), 30 November-1 December 2017. PDF of the programme: See Resources (Newsletter No. 5):
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Toronto, Canada, History of Anthropology Events at the History of Science Society Annual Meeting, 9-12 November. For the programme, see http://histanthro.org/hss/

Washington, DC, USA: History of Anthropology Events at the American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, 29 November–3 December 2017. There were seven HoA sessions, a History of Anthropology Newsletter (HAN) Happy Hour, and a business meeting over lunch of the History of Anthropology Interest Group. Joshua Smith succeeded Ira Bashkow as coordinator of this group. See: http://histanthro.org/aaa/

Paris, 14-15 December 2017: International conference on Paul Rivet’s work, 1920-1950: Colloque international "Paul Rivet: un pont entre deux rives" (1920-1950) in the Musée de l’Homme and the Musée du quai Branly-Jacques Chirac. Organised by both museums as well as the Muséum national d'histoire naturelle, the Institut français and institutions in Colombia, this conferences addresses the work of Paul Rivet, the first director of the Musée de l’Homme, who was instrumental in organising French anthropology and ethnology (together with Marcel Mauss) and in dispatching researchers to Latin America from the late 1920s to the early 1950s. This conference
Belgrade, Serbia, 19 December: The Ethnographic Institute of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts celebrated 70 years (it was established in 1947). Several speeches were held and awards were given to Dr Jelena Vasiljević for her book Antropologija gradanstva (Anthropology of Citizenship) and the Institute's Director, Dr Dragana Radojičić, for developing ethnology and anthropology in Serbia. A formal paper of acknowledgement was presented to the Academy's president, Dr. Vladimir Kostić, for supporting the Institute.

Jean Rouch centenary: The year 2017 was dedicated to the anthropologist and filmmaker Jean Rouch (1917-2004), one of the founders of cinéma-vérité in France: “Centenaire de la naissance de Jean Rouch, l’un des grands passeurs de la modernité” http://jeanrouch2017.fr/fr/ The festivities included several books and DVDs, an exhibition of photographs “Dialoge et regards croisés,” the 36th edition of the Festival International Jean Rouch (formely, Bilan du Film Ethnographique), a special evening on TV5 Monde (20 December), and the conference and exhibition “Jean Rouch, l’Homme-Cinéma” in the National Library of France.

New research projects

Law & Anthropology

Frédéric Audren (CNRS, Paris) and Laetitia Guerlain (Université de Bordeaux) launched a new research platform dedicated to the relation between Law and Anthropology: https://leggy.hypotheses.org. Dedicated to news, analysis and debates on legal anthropology, this platform seeks to account for scientific activities in the field of legal anthropology, mainly in Europe but on other continents as well. It will include calls for papers, dates of upcoming conferences and symposia, new publications (books, reviews, or articles), updates on doctoral training programs, upcoming PhD defense announcements, creation of virtual exhibitions, bibliographic information, and interviews with actors in this field. E-mail: anthropologiedroit@gmail.com.

Presentation of the blog, dated 18 December 2017:

See Resources (Newsletter No. 5):

HOAN_Newsletter_05f_Website_Law_and_Anthropology-2017

Ongoing research project in Germany

The History of Ethnology and Ethnography in the GDR. Under the broad theme of “Actors, Practices, and Theories” scholars from the universities of Berlin and Bonn study the history of ethnology and ethnography in the former GDR (1949-1989). Funded by the Volkswagen Foundation, the project is divided into two parts: Teilprojekt Berlin is carried out by Blanka Koffer and supervised by Leonore Scholze-Irrlitz (both Humboldt University Berlin); Teilprojekt Bonn is carried out by Ingrid Kreide-Damani and supervised by Karoline Noack (both University of Bonn). The aims include organizing a joint conference in Bonn end of 2018. Further details TBA.
Ongoing research projects in Poland

An anthropological reinterpretation of **Polish nineteenth-century scientific research of Siberia**, a collection held by the Ethnographic Museum in Kraków ("Antropologiczna reinterpretacja kolekcji syberyjskiej ze zbiorów Muzeum Etnograficznego w Krakowie, pochodzącej od polskich badaczy Syberii XIX wieku"). Led by **Grażyna Kubica** in collaboration with Seweryn Udziela Ethnographic Museum in Kraków. Funded by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education Narodowy Program Rozwoju Humanistyki (NPRH) IV/2015.

On **correspondence and popular writings of Stefan Czarnowski**, a project conducted in search of transnational and interdisciplinary roots of Polish social sciences ("Transnarodowe i interdyscyplinarne źródła polskiej humanistyki: korespondencja i publicystyka Stefana Czarnowskiego"). Led by **Joanna Wawrzyniak**, Institute of Sociology of the University of Warsaw. Funded by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education NPRH IV/2015.


On early- and mid-twentieth century **studies of ethnicity and race in Poland and the circulation of knowledge** between East Central Europe and the United States ("Studia nad etnosem i rasą w Polsce a międzynarodowy obieg wiedzy 1918-1952"). Led by Olga Linkiewicz (Tadeusz Manteuffel Institute of History PAN). Funded by the National Scientific Centre, Poland (NCN) “Miniatura-1” grant.

Recent publications


Peterson, Nicolas and Anna Kenny (eds.) *German Ethnography in Australia*. Acton, ACT: Australian National University Press (Monographs in Anthropology Series), 2017. xxvi + 495 pp. The contribution of German ethnography to Australian anthropological scholarship on Aboriginal societies and cultures has been limited, primarily because few people working in the field read German. But it has also been neglected because its humanistic concerns with language, religion and mythology contrasted with the mainstream British social anthropological tradition that prevailed in Australia until the late 1960s. (…) In 18 chapters, this book introduces the significance of this neglected work, much of it by missionaries who first wrote on Australian Aboriginal cultures in the 1840s. Almost all of these German speakers, in particular the missionaries, learnt an Aboriginal language in order to be able to document religious beliefs, mythology and songs as a first step to conversion. As a result, they produced an enormously valuable body of work that will greatly enrich regional ethnographies. Free download: [http://press.anu.edu.au/publications/series/monographs-anthropology/german-ethnography-australia](http://press.anu.edu.au/publications/series/monographs-anthropology/german-ethnography-australia)

For the latest bibliography entries in the *History of Anthropology Newsletter*, see here: [http://histanthro.org/bibliography/](http://histanthro.org/bibliography/)

Recent publications in Italy, kindly provided by Filippo M. Zerilli (Cagliari)


Allovio, Stefano and Cecilia Pennacini 2017 "Guido Piacenza au Congo: Valeur filmique et ethnographique d’un document retrouvé." Anuac 6(2): 109-128. English abstract [Article in French]: The Italian entrepreneur Guido Piacenza travelled to the Congo in 1912 for a pleasure cruise that took him from the Atlantic coast through the interior of the continent to continue crossing the Uganda border, finally reaching the Kenyan coast. The travel, that during its first part took place sailing along the river Congo, was the occasion to realize what will become the first film shot in Congo. Piacenza took with him a 35-mm camera and the equipment to develop the negative, and realized some extraordinary images of the groups he visited during the trip. In the Uele region, he came in contact with the Azande and Mangbetu chiefs. He visited their capitals and filmed some of their spectacular dance performances. The article retraces this experience showing the ethnographic and historical interest of the materials collected by Piacenza. URL: http://ojs.unica.it/index.php/anuac/issue/view/91

Baldi, Alberto 2017 "Miscuglio figurale: Alle origini della ritrattistica antropologica ottocentesca." Anuac 6(1): 271-300. English abstract [Article in Italian]: During the second half of the XIXth century, Europe, the United States and Russia witnessed an interest in the use of photography in the anthropological field. Its specific use was not very clear and defined; yet, as a consequence, its heuristic methodologies, technical shooting modalities, stylistic elements and figurative conventions were not clear either. The range goes from anthropometric photography to an ethnographic and folkloric portrait painting signed at the same time by anthropologists and travellers, professional photographers looking for exotic subjects, amateur photographers and soldiers who encourage a figural medley characterised by scientific, commercial and artistic veins that slowly finds its definition in some of its prevailing features, in primis those of the portrait with pictorial origins, however, continuously declined and reinterpreted in several ways. In this context, anthropology seeks some links with aesthetics. URL: http://ojs.unica.it/index.php/anuac/issue/view/86

Malighetti, Roberto and Yang Shengmin 杨圣敏 2017 "The Contributions of Chinese Anthropology: A Conversation between Roberto Malighetti and Yang Shengmin." Anuac 6(1): 301-317. Abstract: The conversation considers the importance of Chinese anthropology and its contribution to the international dialogue. It probes the possibilities open to Chinese anthropology to offer an original articulation of its tradition with the Western influences that accompanied, from the very beginning, the development of anthropology in China. The Chinese innovative proposals are synthetized under three approaches: the historical, the Marxist, the applied, and the study of minorities. URL: http://ojs.unica.it/index.php/anuac/issue/view/86

anthropologist Tullio Seppilli, and his contributions to the development of Italian cultural anthropology since the 1950s. URL: http://ojs.unica.it/index.php/anuac/issue/view/91


The online journal Anuac: Rivista dell’Associazione nazionale Universitaria Antropologi Culturali can be visited here: http://www.anuac.it/

Recent publications in Poland, kindly provided by Olga Linkiewicz (Warsaw):

BOOKS


ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS


Special issues of Laboratorium Kultury/ Laboratory of Culture dedicated to prominent figures in anthropology, such as Jan Czekanowski, Jan Karłowicz, Ralph Linton, and Marcel Mauss. Available at digital library of the Polish Anthropological Institute (Biblioteka Cyfrowa PIA) http://www.cyfrowaetnografia.pl/dlibra. For details see here http://www.laboratoriumkultury.us.edu.pl/

Recent articles in *Etnograficheskoe obozrenie* [Ethnographic Review] 2017 no. 5 information kindly provided by Sergei Alymov (Moscow):

Special issue theme: To the 130th Anniversary of Sergei M. Shirokogorov (editors: Anna A. Sirina, V.N. Davydov)
Sirina, Anna A., and V.N. Davydov. 2017. "Prodavavshaia ledi plakala... kogda pokupku unosili": etnograficheskie kollektsii S.M. i E.N. Shirokogorovykh ["The Selling Lady Cried... When the Purchase Was Carried Away": Ethnographic Collections of S.M. and E.N. Shirokogoroff]. *Etnograficheskoe obozrenie* 5: 9-31

Special theme: The Invention of Etnos: An Unknown History of the Known Theory (editor: Sergey S. Alymov)

See the journal webpage: http://journal.iea.ras.ru/current.htm
The articles under Alymov’s editorship are short versions of essays that hopefully will appear in English in a collected volume edited by David Anderson and Dmitry Arzyutov.

**Forthcoming IEA 2018**

A large number of national traditions of anthropology is discussed in the *International Encyclopedia of Anthropology* to be published by Wiley-Blackwell in 2018, general editor Hilary Callan. Gustavo Lins Ribeiro (Brazil/Mexico) was the associate editor in charge of the almost 100 entries on world anthropologies (including national traditions, major authors and associations). This is the first time such an effort was made in a single publication.

**Future events**

**Chapel Hill, USA**, 20 March 2018: Olga Linkiewicz (Tadeusz Manteuffel Institute of History, PAN, Warsaw) will present a lecture on *Ethnicity and Race in Poland: Politics, and Mobility of Knowledge, 1918-1952* at the Center for Slavic, Eurasian, and East European Studies, University of North Carolina. Further details TBA.

**London**, 20 April 2018: Symposium on the History of Biological Anthropology and the Royal Anthropological Institute. The Royal Anthropological Institute (RAI) will be holding a one day meeting to explore the history of biological anthropology and the RAI. Dr. David Shankland, Director of the RAI, and Dr. Simon Underdown, Oxford Brookes University, invite paper submissions that examine the history of biological anthropology or the changing relationship between bio- and social anthropology, focusing particularly on how these histories intersect with the RAI. They also welcome papers about the Institute’s publications, its Presidents, Fellows, or its projects from its foundation to the present. The symposium abstract and call for papers are provided here: [http://histanthro.org/raisymposium/#more-3068](http://histanthro.org/raisymposium/#more-3068)

**18th IUAES Congress in Florianópolis (Santa Catarina), Brazil, 16-20 July 2018**

[http://www.iuaes2018.org/site/capa](http://www.iuaes2018.org/site/capa)

Peter Schröder (Recife, Brazil) and Han Vermeulen proposed a panel on “the History of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences.” Other panels on the history of anthropology would be welcome. ([http://www.iuaes2018.org/conteudo/view?ID_CONTEUDO=441](http://www.iuaes2018.org/conteudo/view?ID_CONTEUDO=441))

The Call for Panels is open until 28 February 2018. Urgent action required!

**15th EASA conference in Stockholm, Sweden, 14-17 August 2018**

The network intends to convene one or more panels at the EASA conference in Stockholm, 14-17 August 2018. [https://www.easaonline.org/conferences/easa2018/](https://www.easaonline.org/conferences/easa2018/) Frederico Delgado Rosa and Han Vermeulen proposed a panel on “Writing the History of Anthropology in a Global Era.” Aleksandar Bošković and David Shankland intend to propose a panel on the role of learned societies and associations in the creation of European anthropology. Anyone interested in organising another HoA panel, please contact the HOAN convenors.

All good wishes for the New Year,
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