



# Baltic Anthropology Graduate School bags-phd.org

BAGs International Conference & Workshop

6-7 October 2017, Vytautas Magnus University (VMU), Kaunas

## Fragmentation of globality: political subjectivity, culture and human rights

Venue: Valdas Adamkus Library-Museum, Daukanto Street 25, Second Floor

### 6 October – BAGs Conference Day

#### 10.00 Welcome address

#### Session 1. Political Subjectivity and Human Rights 10.20-13.10

**Chair:** Vytis Čiubrinskas and Kristina Šliavaitė (Vytautas Magnus University)

**Discussants:** Stef Jansen (University of Manchester), Klavs Sedlenieks (Riga Stradins University)

10.20 - 11.10 **Jonathan Hill** (Southern Illinois University) “The Erasure of Indigenous Rights in the 21 st Century Brazil”

11.10 - 12.00 **Steven Sampson** (Lund University) “Anthropology of Trumpism. An Approach to Comparative Trumpology in Europe”

12.00 - 12.20 Coffee brake

12.20 - 13.10 **László Kürti** (University of Miskolc) “Illiberalism and Populism: An Anthropological Analysis of Hungary's Socio-political Quagmire”

13.10 - 14.30 Lunch

#### Session 2. Social Mistrust and Cultural Difference 14.30 -17.20

**Chair:** Patrick Laviolette ( University of Tallinn)

**Discussants:** Jeanette Edwards (University of Manchester), Kristin Kuutma (University of Tartu)

14.30 - 15.20 **Christian Giordano** (University of Fribourg) “Political Subjectivity vs. Informal Networks in Politics: Dealing with Social Mistrust between State and Citizens”

15.20 - 16.10 **Robin Cohen** (University of Oxford) “Living with Cultural Difference: Co-habitation or Creolization”

16.10 - 16.30 Coffee break

16.30 -17.20 **Victor de Munck** (State University of New York and Vytautas Magnus University) “Changes in the prototypes of Modes of Fusion in the U.S. Courtship Processes: from traditional to post-modern”

#### BAGs Advisory Board Meeting 17.30 -19.00

**Moderators:** Patrick Laviolette (University of Tallinn), Aivita Putniņa (University of Latvia), Klavs Sedlenieks (Riga Stradins University)

### 7 October – BAGs PhD Student Workshop Day

First Round of Workshops (W1 - W3)  
9.00 - 12.50

**Chair:** Carlo Cubero (University of Tallinn)

### Workshop 1. Displacement and Human Rights

**Discussants:** Robin Cohen (University of Oxford), Steven Sampson (Lund University)

9.00 - 10.10

Timothy Anderson (University of Tallinn) "Displacing Nations: Identities and Narratives of Asylum-seekers in Vao, Estonia"

Raminta Lisauskaitė (Vytautas Magnus University) "Security vs Human Rights: Misfits of the European Asylum Policies and Management of Rejection, Insecurity and Vulnerability"

### Workshop 2. Nature – Culture

**Discussants:** Jonathan Hill (Southern Illinois University), Victor de Munck (State University of New York & Vytautas Magnus University)

10.10 - 11.20

Kārlis Lakševics (University of Latvia) "Counting which Nature? Eco-knowledge, Discipline, and Resistance in Latvian Environmental Inventory Project"

Aivaras Jefanovas (Vilnius University) "Investigation of Sociocultural Relationships between Humans and Animals (especially large predators – wolves, bears, snow leopards) in Tuva Republic".

11.20 - 11.40 Coffee break

### Workshop 3. Fertility and Reproduction

**Discussants:** Jeanette Edwards (University of Manchester), Aivita Putniņa (University of Latvia)

11.40 -12.50

Diāna Dubrovskā (Riga Stradins University) "Sex selective Abortion: Reproductive Decision Making Practice in Montenegro"

Ilze Mileiko (University of Latvia) "Fertility in Traditional and Contemporary Culture in Latvia"

12.50 -14.00 - Lunch

### Second Round of Workshops (W4- W5)

14.00 - 17.45

**Chair:** Agita Lūse (Riga Stradins University) and Ieva Puzo (Riga Stradins University)

### Workshop 4. Religion, Consumerism and Urban Transformation

**Discussants:** Christian Giordano (University of Fribourg), Carlo Cubero (University of Tallinn)

14.00 -15.45

Kristina Jonutyte (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle) "(Re)building Buddhism in a Siberian City: Religious Giving, Materiality and Agency in post-Soviet Ulan-Ude"

Dita Vinovska (University of Latvia) "Losing 'track' of Inverted Time and Space: the 'Crazy Days' in and Outside a Finnish-owned Department Store in Riga"

Mykolė Lukošienė (Vytautas Magnus University) "Marking Territory in Transforming Neighbourhood: Šančiai Parade "Chair"

15.45 -16.00 Coffee break

### Workshop 5. Security, Justice and Memory

**Discussants:** Christian Giordano (University of Fribourg), Gareth Hamilton (University of Latvia)

16.00 -17.45

Justinas Stankus (Vilnius University) "Informal Justice System in Shan State, Myanmar".

Vidmantas Vyšniauskas (Vytautas Magnus University) "Parallel Images of the Past: Case of Southeast Lithuania"

Piret Paljak (Tallinn University) "Baltic Lifeworlds: Baltic Countries' Contribution to International Military Operations"

### 17.45 - 18.30 Concluding Remarks

**Moderators:** (BAGs Representatives and the BAGs Advisory Board Representatives)