



# MAYS

**Medical Anthropology Young Scholars**  
an EASA network (European Association of Social Anthropologists)

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting

July 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
Paris-Ouest Nanterre La Défense University  
Nanterre, France



## Final program

Venue: Maison René-Ginouvès Archéologie et Ethnologie (MAE),  
Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense University

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▶ 9h15 – 9h30 **Opening**

[‘salle du conseil’, 4<sup>th</sup> floor]

Isabelle Rivoal (directrice adjointe, Maison René-Ginouès Archéologie et Ethnologie)  
Claire Beaudevin & Susann Huschke (MAYS coordinators)

▶ 9h30 – 13h **Parallel workshops 1 & 2**

**Workshop 1 | Experiencing the Body**

[‘salle du conseil’, 4<sup>th</sup> floor]

Chair: Susann Huschke, Freie Universität Berlin,  
Germany

▶ 9h30 — Reproductive body in the Andes of Northern Peru (Lamabayaque).

*Luz Martínez Santamaría (Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain)*

▶ 10h — Parenting and family life after preterm birth  
*Helle Haslund (Aarhus University, Denmark)*

▶ 10h30 — The menopausal body as a place of mastered uncertainty: management, representations and experience of menopause in the French context

*Cécile Charlap (Université de Strasbourg, France)*

**11h-11h30 — coffee break**

▶ 11h30 — Blood in the depth of women experience of gynecological cancer

*Caroline Giacomoni (CHU Bordeaux, France)*

▶ 12h — Organ transplantation: towards the posthuman?

*Jan Borowicz (University of Warsaw, Poland)*

▶ 12h30 — Controlled pain(s). Combat sports and the remaking of the world

*Alexandru Dincovici (National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania)*

**Workshop 2 | Delivering Health Care, Applying Medical Anthropology**

[room 308F, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor]

Chair: Ruari Santiago-McBride, Queen's  
University of Belfast, UK

▶ 9h30 — Governing families through primary health care programs: an anthropological analysis of the community health worker in Brazil

*Dalila Ingrande (University of Perugia, Italy)*

▶ 10h — Welfare, ageing and socioeconomic disparities in Tarragona-Spain

*Rodrigo Conde Miguelez and Manfred Egbe (University of Rovira & Virgili, Tarragona, Spain)*

▶ 10h30 — ‘We’re in it together’ - A meta-narrative of ‘partnership’ within the World Health Organization

*Rachel Irwin (London School of Economics, UK)*

**11h-11h30 — coffee break**

▶ 11h30 — From health education to self-help: ethnography on diabetics’ groups in primary health care, Brazil

*Lucas Melo and Edemilson Campos (University of Sao Paulo, Brazil)*

▶ 12h — Applied medical anthropology in a psychiatric clinic setting: imagining solutions and alternatives for childhood epilepsy

*Grace Akello (Gulu University, Uganda)*

▶ 12h30 — Attempt of conciliation between two healing systems on a French territory

*Sophie Bouffart (Université Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense, France)*

▶ 13h00 – 14h30 **Lunch break**

## ▶ 14h30 – 16h30 Parallel workshops 3 & 4

### Workshop 3 | Medicine, Discipline, Power [‘salle du conseil’, 4<sup>th</sup> floor]

Chair: Jan Borowicz, University of Warsaw, Poland

- ▶ 14h30 — Colluding with medicine: convivial relationships between medicine, gender and the nation state  
*Todd Sekuler (Humboldt University Berlin, Germany)*
- ▶ 15h — Dis/abled body of people with disabilities: the history of biopolitical body and sovereign power of Thai nation State  
*Prachatip Kata (University of Amsterdam, Netherlands)*
- ▶ 15h30 — Personality disorder policy and practice in Northern Ireland's prison estate: a scoping study  
*Ruari Santiago-McBride (Queen's University of Belfast, UK)*
- ▶ 16h — Social accessibility? Students with congenital heart defects within the German school system  
*Ina Kathrin Hesebeck (Free University Berlin, Germany)*

### Workshop 4 | Pluralistic Approaches to Seeking Health [room 308F, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor]

Chair: Margret Jäger, UMIT, Austria

- ▶ 14h30 — The cultural reinterpretation of biomedicine in Giri, Papua New Guinea  
*Franziska Herbst (University of Heidelberg, Germany)*
- ▶ 15h — Between ideals and abilities. dynamics provoked by paradigms of holistic healing  
*Katerina Vidner Ferkov (University of Ljubljana, Slovenia)*
- ▶ 15h30 — Healing the spirit sickness  
*Gille Baptiste (University of Oxford, UK)*
- ▶ 16h — Flintstones and magic hands: biomedical regimes and Polish migrant women's transnational health-care practices  
*Maria Węgrzynowska (Dublin City University)*

## ▶ 16h30 - 17h15 — coffee break

## ▶ 17h15 - 18h30 Open Discussion: Challenges of Being an Anthropologist (parallel sessions)

### Discussion Group A: 'Nomadism'

(discussion led by Margret Jäger, UMIT, Vienna, Austria)  
[‘salle du conseil’, 4<sup>th</sup> floor]

- Do young scientists today need to be nomads for work reasons?
- How do we deal with these expectations of being super flexible, moving across the globe?
- And if this stops and when, and how people deal with that?

### Discussion Group B: 'The human side of doing anthropological research'

(Discussion led by Dominik Mattes, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany)  
[room 308F, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor]

- How is the 'human side' of our research (emotions, social interactions, troublesome experiences or difficult situations) that we all experience to some extent in the field when working on suffering, illness, and healing (i.e. shock, stress, fear, sadness, despair, powerlessness, disorientation, loneliness, lack of comprehension, frustration, failure...) dealt with and talked about in your academic environments?
- Is — and should there be — room for emotions? For failure, for complexity, for involvement?
- How can we take part in creating an academic environment that really moves beyond the unreachable goal of objectivity and the detached, well-functioning observer?

## ▶ 20h00 **Dinner**

Restaurant “Le Pot de fer”, rue du Pot de Terre, 75005 Paris [for participants who registered for dinner]

▶ **9h30-12h30 — Workshop 5: Knowledge into practice  
Enhancing employability as an anthropologist in health and other settings**

(with Dr Andrew Russell, Durham University, UK)  
[room 308F, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor]

- discussion of the 'skill sets' that anthropologists offer to potential employers
- interactive workshop on the basis of two 'job adverts' — one for an academic position, one for a non-academic position —, both in medical anthropology

Questions addressed: what kind of institutions may hire medical anthropologists; how to read and answer a job announcement; how to introduce oneself in a job interview; etc.

▶ **12h30-14h — Lunch Break**

▶ **14h-16h30 — Workshop 6: Feedback session.  
Papers to be presented at the EASA Conference**

[room 308F, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor]

Chair: Claire Beaudevin, Cermes3, France

▶ 14h — Of the rosemary, the sage and the commons  
*Elsa Mateus (University of Lisbon, Portugal)*

▶ 14h30 — The ethnography of violence in a hyper-mediatic context. Ciudad Juárez, mass-media realities and the contradictions of everyday life  
*Chiara Calzolaio (EHESS Paris, France)*

**15h-15h30 — coffee break**

▶ 15h30 — 'fuqash 'arafti fi rassek hemla?' Discovering, hiding and experiencing pregnancy and reproduction in the lives of single mothers in Morocco  
*Irene Capelli (University of Turin, Italy)*

▶ 16h — Understanding the experience of psychosis  
*Lydie Fialova (University of Edinburgh, Ireland)*