Easa Network for Applied Anthropology (or, alternatively, Engaged and Applied Anthropology)

In recent decades anthropology in Europe grew rapidly in terms of academic institutes, programmes, graduates and institutions. However, the growing number of recently educated professional anthropologists was not followed by their employability in public and private sector.

The network will encourage and support applicability of anthropology in many different ways. It will be the place for exchange of information and sharing of practical experience from various European countries regarding employability of graduates as well as applicability of the discipline.

There are many possibilities for use of anthropological knowledge in private and public sector as well as in societies where anthropologists are placed or engaged. Their engagement may be various. Anthropology is applicable, and anthropologists may become engaged in many different ways: in business anthropology, anthropology of work, NGO's, policy making, (general) education, consultation and expertise, (grassroots) politics, public intervention and communication, environmental activities, cultural preservation, etc.

The initiative meeting of the network will be organised in at the forthcoming conference in Ljubljana within (or with) the workshop 'The applicability of Useless Endeavours: The Practicability of Anthropology' held between November 25 and 27, 2010.

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