

EASA's 10th Bi-annual Conference, Ljubljana 26<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August 2008

A proposal to hold a workshop on the theme:

***Europe and Anthropology. New Themes and Directions in Europeanist Research.***

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**Short abstract:**

The goal of this workshop is: to explore what are the most relevant themes in Europeanist research; to demonstrate how these would be enhanced by the engagement of Anthropology's unique resources in theory, method and epistemology; to contribute in the advancement of collaborative research agendas.

**Long abstract:**

We start with a broad definition of 'Europeanist' research. The field certainly pertains to a range of diverse disciplines, mainly within the divisions of the Humanities and the Social Sciences. We are set to discuss what Europeanist research means for Anthropology at present; and to present what individual anthropologists and ethnologists are effectively doing under this conceptual umbrella. One main goal of this workshop is to demonstrate how the engagement of Anthropology's unique resources in theory, method and epistemology contribute to enhance these research endeavours.

We invite papers that broach the subject from any of its many facets and dimensions. Not to constrain but to facilitate your initiative, we advance a tentative and open list of research issues which may be addressed in your papers:

- The ethnography of Europe and European institutions.
- Ideas and images of Europe in travel writing, literature and 'high culture'.
- Europe's lore and media narratives.
- Politics and policies of European building and identity.
- Citizenship in multinational entities and ethnically diverse polities.
- Global migrations and social cohesion at the national and supranational levels.
- Anthropology and development. The role of non-governmental organisations.

One expected outcome of this workshop is the drawing of research agendas on Europeanist issues; which may become the baseline for the setting up of multidisciplinary research teams, and for the development of cooperative research programmes.

**Scheduled:**

Workshop preferably to be scheduled for Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup>.