

To whom it may concern

**RE: Network of Ethnographic Theory Annual Report**

We are happy to provide an overview of the recent and upcoming activities of the Network of Ethnographic Theory. The network has appointed two new convenors this past summer following the EASA 2016 conference. More specifically, the active convenors of the network are now Dr. Susana de Matos Viegas (Universidade de Lisboa) and Dr. Theodoros Kyriakides (University of Manchester).

As incoming convenors we are doing our utmost to increase NET's online presence and discussion amongst members. We have created a new blog which can be accessed at <https://networkofethnographictheory.wordpress.com>. The blog includes an overview of recent NET events, relevant links to other blogs and websites which complement NET's mission, and a comprehensive *updated* member list. In addition, we have created the "Ethnographic Theory Digest" - a series of links which once again are aligned to the network's overall focus on ethnographic theory. The digest is circulated amongst the members mailing list and is also posted in our blog.

NET held a panel at this years conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists on the theme of TACTICS AS ETHNOGRAPHIC AND CONCEPTUAL OBJECTS. The panel was convened by Dr. Theodoros Kyriakides and Dr. Patrick Laviolette. Discussion generated by the panel was fruitful, and we are now in the process of exploring potential avenues for publication outputs. For an overview of the panel and abstracts of the papers presented please click [here](#).

Finally, we are in the process of organising a workshop which is to take place in the first half of July 2017. We have sent a funding request to EASA and to the Wenner-Gren foundation. This workshop is aimed at generating publication outputs and identifying subsequent themes to be explored in the 2018 EASA conference. The preliminary title of the workshop is *Sincerity, parody, and the Anthropology of Bullshit*. Following Brexit and Trump's election we believe bullshit is a timely topic, yet sidelined by anthropologists until now. We have already invited several participants: depending on their availability (i.e. if there is space left for more papers), a Call for Papers will also be circulated in 2017.

We are happy to be included under the EASA umbrella of networks, and we are confident that in our duration as convenors we will be able to strengthen NET and EASA's mission and following. Please do not hesitate to contact us at any time regarding any issues.

Best wishes,  
Susana and Theo  
(active NET convenors)