## **Annual Report**

## **EASA Food Network**

The EASA Food Network has been officially established at the beginning of this year, in February 2017. It has been co-organised by Zofia Boni, Katharina Graf, Krista Harper and Patricia Homs. This year the managing conveners were Zofia Boni and Krista Harper.

During the first few months of its existence the network has raised a lot of interest in the international community of researchers working on food. However, the network also includes experts working on food from outside of academia, making it an interdisciplinary and varied network. The mailing list has almost 300 members and has been mainly used to share the information about conferences and other events. The Facebook group (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/367896353581785/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/367896353581785/</a>) has 276 members from varied international, academic and non-academic institutions, and provides information and exchanges about various food related events, such as conferences, publications, job opportunities.

This year the focus has been mainly on informing different audiences about the network, for instance we have advertised it in the newsletter of the Association for the Study of Food and Society that gathers mainly American food researchers; through Anthropology Matters mailing lists and via the SOAS Food Studies Centre group. Next year we are planning to be more active and organise few panels during the EASA biennial conference under the auspices of the network. During the conference we will also organise events for the members to meet and discuss potential collaborations and future activities of the network.

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