Pilgrimage and Sacred Places in Central and Eastern Europe: Place, Politics and Religious Tourism

Programme

University of Zadar, Croatia

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Programme
Wednesday, September 26th

19:00 Official Opening  
(Aula Magna (Obala kralja Petra Krešimira IV. br. 2))

20:00 Catering  
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Thursday, September 27th

09:30 1st Keynote lecture  
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i)): Pilgrimage, Travel and Tourism: Europe in a Global Perspective; John Eade (UCL/Roehampton, UK)

10:30-10:40 Coffee break

SESSION 1  
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Božena Krce Miočić

10:40-11:00 Catholic Pilgrimage as a Way to God, Oneself and the Others; Gerhard Hofbauer (Diocese Graz-Seckau)

11:00-11:20 The Importance of the Croatian Coast in the European Pilgrimage Routes Network; Josip Faričić (University of Zadar)
11:20-11:40  Pilgrimage and Shrine of our Lady of Zečevo in Nin, Through Memories and Stories; Marija Dejanović (Tourist board Nin)

11:40-11:50  Coffee break

SESSION 2
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Tomislav Klarin

11:50-12:10  Mirila – Sacred Place as a Tourist Attraction; Mario Katić (University of Zadar)

12:10-12:30  Potential of Religious Tourism Development in Sinj; Božena Krce Miočić (University of Zadar)

12:30-12:50  Impacts of Sacred Sites on City Tours in Zadar – Tourist Guides’ Opinions and Assessments; Vinko Bakija (University of Zadar)

12:50-13:00  Coffee break

SESSION 3
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: John Eade

13:00-13:20  Sacred Heritage and Cultural Tourism: The Case of Zadar County (Croatia); Tomislav Klarin (University of Zadar)
13:20-13:40  Cultural and Historical Aspects of Pilgrimage Tourism in Northern Croatia and their Evaluation on Web Sites; Goran Pavelin; Sanja Vuk; Paolina Radović (University of Zadar)

13:40-14:00  The Place and the Role of Religious Tourism in Croatian Tourism Industry; Šime Vučetić (University of Rijeka)

14:00-16:00  Lunch break

SESSION 4
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Johan Bouwer

16:00-16:20  Religious Tourism and Serbian Orthodox Church; Svetlana Mihić; Aleksandar Andrejević (University EDUCONS, Novi Sad)


16:40-17:00  Parishioners, Pilgrims, Tourists: Visitors to an Orthodox Christian Shrine in Sofia; Vihra Baeva (Institute of Ethnology and Folklore Studies with National Ethnographic Museum Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

17:00-17:10  Coffee break

18:00-20:00  Guided Tour through Zadar
Friday, September 28th

09:30  2nd Keynote lecture
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i)): In Medias Res: Local Intercommunal Shrine Pilgrimage in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Macedonia and Kosovo — Past, Present, and Possible Futures; Glenn Bowman (University of Kent)

10:30-10:40  Coffee break

SESSION 5
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Mario Katić

10:40-11:00  Jasna Góra and Licheń: Old and New “National Shrines” of Polish Catholics; Anna Niedźwiedź (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland)

11:00-11:20  Govedarov kamen – A Sacred Place of Different Religious Traditions; Dragica Popovska (Institute of National History, Skopje)

11:20-11:40  Pilgrimage Site Beyond Politics: Experience of Sacred and Interreligious Dialogue in Olovo (Bosnia); Marijana Belaj (University of Zagreb), Zvonko Martić (The „Carmel of St. Elijah“ Monestery and Spiritual Center)

11:40-11:50  Coffee break
SESSION 6
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Glenn Bowman

11:50-12:10  Rooting Routes: Return Movements and Pilgrimage to Stavridi in Southern Albania; Natasa Gregoric Bon (Institute of Anthropological and Spatial Studies Scientific Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts)

12:10-12:30  Pilgrimages to Gökceada (Imvros), a Greco-Turkish Contested Place: Religious Tourism or a Way to Reclaim the Homeland?; Giorgos Tsimouris (Panteion University)

12:30-12:50  An Enquiry into the Construction, Deconstruction, Transubstantiation and Reconstruction of Christian Pilgrimages in Modern-Day Albania; Konstantinos Giakoumis (University of New York Tirana)

12:50-13:00  Coffee break

SESSION 6a
(Lecture room 125, New Campus, (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Vinko Bakija

11:50-12:10  The Change in the Perceptions of the Christian Pilgrim Travelling to the Holy Land in the Early Modern Period; Milorad Pavić (University of Zadar)

12:10-12:30  Pilgrims and Plague in the East Adriatic Coast from the 14th to the 17th Century; Krešimir Kužić
12:30-12:50  The Interpretation of Medieval Religious Orders and Religious Change in the Vrana; Đani Bunja, Edita Pavlić (University of Zadar)

12:50-13:00  Coffee break

SESSION 7
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Marijana Belaj

13:00-13:20  Virgin Mary, Attila and the Lama Pilgrimage as Vessel Ritual in Contemporary Hungary; István Povedák (PhD)

13:20-13:40  The Vidovdanski March: An Ethnography of a Serbian Political Pilgrimage to Kosovo; Michaël Busset (Laboratory of cultural and social anthropology, Social Sciences Institute, University of Lausanne)

13:40-14:00  Linguistic Analysis of Translating the Texts Regarding Pilgrimage; Tomislav Krpan, Željka Lilić (University of Zadar)

SESSION 7a
(Lecture room 125, New Campus, (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Josef Langer

13:00-13:20  Pilgrimage and Sacred Places in Contemporary Armenian Vernacular Christianity; Konrad Siekierski (Institute
of Archaeology and Ethnography, National Academy of Sciences of Armenia; Institute of Eastern Studies Adam Mickiewicz University)

13:20-13:40 The Armenian Holy Places of Jerusalem; Khachatur Stepanyan (Armenian State Pedagogical University, Yerevan)

13:40-14:00 Sterilisation and Desacralisation of the Places of Commemorative Pilgrimages; Polina Tserkassova (Tallinn University)

14:00-16:00 Lunch break

16:00-20:00 Excursion to the Croatian royal city and a pilgrimage place at Nin

Saturday, September 29th

09:30 3th Keynote lecture (Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i)): Rediscovering Sacred Places in Eastern Europe – A Western Perspective; Josef Langer (Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt)

10:30-10:40 Coffee break

SESSION 8 (Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Marta Botikova
10:40-11:00  Hare Krishnas in Vrindavan: Pilgrimage or Spiritual Colonization?; Matej Karásek (University of ss. Cyril and Methodius in Trnava, Slovakia)

11:00-11:20  The Construction of Sacred Places in Neo-Shamanism; Tatiana Bužeková (Institute of Ethnology, Slovak Academy of Sciences)

11:20-11:40  The Holiday of Good Fruits. Pilgrims of the Church of the Last Testament; Maciej Rafiński (University of Ljubljana)

11:40-11:50  Coffee break

SESSION 9
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Tatiana Bužekova

11:50-12:10  Siberian Folk Tradition of the Orthodox Veneration of Sacred Places in the Context of People’s Historical Memory; G. V. Lyubimova (Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography of the Siberian Branch of RAS)

12:10-12:30  The Image of Medjugorje in Contemporary German Literature; Goran Lovrić (University of Zadar)

12:30-12:50  Pilgrim Sites in the Surroundings of Bratislava and Their Reflection in the Life of a Scripturalist Jure Treuer (case study); Marta Botiková (Comenius University, Bratislava)

12:50-13:00  Coffee break
SESSION 10
(Multimedia Hall, New Campus (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Francois-Xavier Bauduin

13:00-13:20  “Pilgrims, Environmentalists and Doctors of the Planet": an Ethnography of Ecological and Religious Practices in Rio Grande do Sul rituals, South Brazil; Stella Maris Nunes Pieve (Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS))

13:20-13:40  The Role of Pilgrimage Centres in the Creation of National Identities in the Western Balkans; Jurica Botić

13:40-14:00  The Making of Eastern Free State Pilgrimage; Shirley du Plooy (Department of Anthropology, University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, South Africa)

SESSION 10a
(Lecture room 125, New Campus, (Franje Tuđmana 24 i))

Session moderator: Polina Tserkasova

13:00-13:20  Pilgrimage and Consumption: Dynamics Between Religious Authorities and Popular Religious Practices at Pilgrimage Sites in ex-Yugoslavia and Japan; Delakorda Kawashima Tinka (University of Ljubljana)


13:40-14:00  Pilgrimage, Social Integration and Identity Construction; Philip Nel (Centre for Africa Studies, University
of the Free State, Bloemfontein, South Africa)

14:00-14:20  The Catholic's Church Contribution in Religious Tourism Development and its Implementation in the Croatian Touristical Offer; Tomislav Korov (Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Management in Opatija, University of Rijeka, Croatia)

14:20-14:30  Coffee break

14:30-15:00  Closing discussion; Concluding thoughts of keynote speakers

19:00  Organised dinner for participants