

# Pilgrimage and Sacred Places



in Central and Eastern Europe: Place, Politics and Religious Tourism

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## 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)

**16:20-16:40** The University of Happiness: Relaxing Holiday, Religious Tourism and Development Strategy of a New Religious Movement; François-Xavier Bauduin (Ecoles des Hautes Etudes en Sciences sociales (EHESS), Paris)

**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 Niedźwiedz (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“ Monastery 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 Pavlič (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 Bužeková**

**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)

**13:20-13:40** Back to the Future: the El Camino of an Atheist Pilgrim; J. Bouwer (Director of Research at the NHTV Breda International University of Applied Science)

**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