

BORDERLAND

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

“Identity and Identity Needs among Culturally Diverse Communities of the Eastern EU Borderland”

November 22nd-23rd, 2019, Białystok, Poland

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

November 22nd, 2019

9.00 – 10.00 **Registration** [The University Culture Centre, University of Białystok]

10.00 – 10.30 **Opening and Welcome**

▶ 10.30 – 12.20 **Session 1: Borders: Diversity of Images and Discourses**

David Newman (Ben-Gurion University): *Research Agendas in Contemporary Border Studies*

Lyudmila Austin (Michigan State University): *Migration, Nation and Selfhood in the Northern Caucasus Borderland since Perestroika.*

Oliver Kriska, Dávid Bende (University of Szeged): *The Formation of the Hungarian-Serbian Frontier Zone*

Basia Nikiforova (Lithuanian Culture Research Institute): *The Zigzag of Will Kymlicka' Multiculturalism: from Human Rights to Animal Rights.*

Iwona Leonowicz-Bukała, Kamil Łuczaj, Olga Kurek-Ochmańska (University of Information Technology and Management in Rzeszów): *Creativity Transfer in the Borderlands? The Case of Commuting Professors*

12.20 – 13.00 **Ethno-Project in Kruszyniany** *There is Something Extraordinary About This Village.* Presentation by Kaja Kojder, Stowarzyszenie „Pracownia Etnograficzna”

For centuries, Kruszyniany was a village of Poles, Belarusians and Jews, who belonged to Islam, Orthodox Christianity, Judaism, and Catholicism. The aim of the ethno-project in Kruszyniany is to show the multicultural character of the village and to give its inhabitants tools to talk about their heritage.

13.00 – 14.00 **Lunch**

▶ 14.00 – 15.20 **Session 2: Reflections on Historical Memory and Myths**

Toni Muñoz-Hunt, Aztlán (University of Texas at Dallas): *From Mythos to Logos*

Kinga Połyńczuk-Alenius (University of Helsinki): *Ambivalently Multicultural: Reflections on the Conditional Embrace of the Jewish Past in the Local Identity of Białystok*

Katarzyna Niziołek (University of Białystok): *Assemblage of Memory. A Female Experience of Memory Transmission and Performance*

15.20 – 16.00 **Coffee Break**

16.00 – 18.00 **Bieżeńki Research Project**

The video is a documentation of the theatre performance “Bieżeńki” - a public effect of an interdisciplinary research project - filmed by Marcin Góralski and Paulina Tumiel-Góralaska at the premiere of the performance in June 2018, in Białystok, Poland. Time: 1h35m. English subtitles.

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▶ 10.30 – 12.40 **Session 3: The Culturally Distinct Inhabitants and their Multifarious Identity Needs**

Ewa Dąbrowska - Prokopowska (University of Białystok): *Models of Local Identity of Borderland Inhabitants with Reference to the Theory of Complex Systems and Culture Evolution*

Karolina Radłowska (University of Białystok): *Identities of the Polish Tatars*

Kelsey Weber (University College London): *Practices of Belonging: Identity Among Polish Tatars*

Andrzej Nikitorowicz (State Higher Vocational School of prof. Edward F. Szczepanik in Suwałki): *Transformations of Identity Needs on the Example of the Ukrainian Minority in the Podlasie Voivodship*

Jakub Barszczewski (University of Białystok): *Between the Two Worlds – Indigenous Peoples Struggles for Recognition in Latin America*

Distributed Papers:

Andrzej Sadowski (University of Białystok): *Borderland Identity and the Identity Needs of Residents*

Urszula Abłażewicz- Górnicka, Aleksandra Porankiewicz- Żukowska (University of Białystok): *Emotional Capital in Late Modernity: the Role of Emotional Competencies in the Context of Cultural Diversity*

12.40 – 13.30 **Lunch**

13.30 – 15.00 **Borderlands Studies: From Past to Future**

Emmanuel Brunet-Jailly (President of the Association for Borderlands Studies, University of Victoria):

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Małgorzata Bieńkowska (University of Białystok): *Sociology of Borderlands – Studies by the Białystok Sociological Community*

15.00 – 15.30 **Coffee Break**

16.00 – 21.00 **Tour of Tykocin (The Great Synagogue) and Banquet**

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