

Research Newsletter #22

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Headword

This week I'm starting my six months as Head of Department while Beppe is away on fieldwork in India. Most weeks, I will be in the Department from 9 am on Mondays, Tuesdays and on Thursdays until noon. Everyone is most welcome to see me in my office – also for a causal chat – you do not have to have an issue to discuss. As six months is a short time, I will not introduce any new schemes, but continue building on those Beppe has initiated. I have a motto, though: Be collegial!

This weekend we are organizing the 9th Stockholm Anthropology Roundtable. The theme is "Reading and Writing across Borders: Fiction and Reportage in a Mobile World." We look forward to two exciting days with Karin Barber, Tom Cheesman, Marie Gillespie, Narmala Halstead, Pál Nyiri, and Stuart McLean among other invited speakers.



Anna Lundberg



Now seminar and conference activities are speeding up with events almost every day. On Monday 7th, we are pleased to welcome Ulrik Jennische back from the field. He is giving the research seminar "Onions, Chiefs, Unions and the Election of a President: Marketplace Politics in Northern Ghana." This is followed by Anna Lundberg's (Malmö University) seminar in Ceifo's Transnational Migration series on Tuesday 8th. Her title is "Undocumented Children's Rights Claims: A Multidisciplinary Project on Agency and Contradictions between Different Levels of Regulations and Practice that reveals Undocumented Children's Human Rights." Mark Nuttall (Universities of Alberta and Greenland) presents an extra research seminar on Wednesday 9th entitled "This is not an

Mark Nuttall empty, wild place': Human-environment Relations and Extractive Industries in Southwest Greenland." And on 10th-12th Oc-



From *Red Ant Dream*

tober, Beppe Karlsson, Henrik Berglund and Sanjib Baruah are organizing the conference "Neoliberal Development and Indian Democracy: The Politics of Rights, Rebellions and Reforms." The conference features a screening of the film "Red Ant Dream" and a discussion with Sanjay Kak who also gives an extra research seminar on Monday 14th at 10.00 am entitled "Art and Practice of Documentary Filmmaking." On our regular research seminar slot on Monday 14th, Ruben Andersson will talk about "Time and the Migrant other: Temporalities of Border Controls at Europe's Frontiers." So get ready for two busy and inspiring weeks!

Finally, I am looking forward to working with our new Vice Head of Department, Erik Olsson. And I would like to thank Stella Waldenström who has helped out with admin tasks in the Department on an hourly basis every week since the Spring. It has been a great joy to work with you! We wish you the best of luck!

All the best. Helena

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Research seminars at the department

Monday 13.00-15.00, B600, Department of Social Anthropology

Anthropology and Art Practice

Since the Torres Straits expedition in the late nineteenth century, the treatment of film and photography in anthropology has followed the idea of the image as evidence. During the 'writing culture critique', mainstream anthropology continuously focused on the indexical aspects of photographic images. The expanding interest in sensory qualities of human experience, particularly the interrelation between various senses, has provided means for anthropology to leave the visualist paradigm behind and approach audio-visual media from a broader perspective. Non-documentary aspects of images, such as their capacity to interrogate and to lie, have recently been acknowledged and investigated within visual anthropology. Ethnographic studies of various photographic practices and collaborations with artists have further expanded the field. Simultaneously, certain contemporary artists engage in ethnographic methods and documentary filmmaking. These developments have resulted in an overlap between anthropology and art practice, where boundaries between reality and imagination are critically explored.

This seminar series invite speakers concerned with the above themes, who use practice-based (audio)-visual methods and presentations in their research. The aim is to investigate how direct engagements in visuality and materiality during fieldwork can inform theoretical perspectives and become means to convey anthropological knowledge. It opens up for formal and ethical discussions of the relation between image-maker, subject and viewer during the production process as well as the final presentation. We welcome various examples of overlaps between anthropological and artistic practice, and of how visual media can embody and make tangible that which is concealed. In addition to issues on art and anthropology the Monday seminar will also cover a wide range of other topics reflecting the on-going research at the department.

For further information, please contact **Anna Laine** or **Shahram Khosravi**.

Upcoming seminars:

2013-10-07

Ulrik Jennische, doctoral student Department of Social Anthropology, Stockholm University

»Onions, Chiefs, Unions and the Election of a President: Marketplace Politics in Northern Ghana«

In this seminar, I want to present and summarize the anthropological fieldwork I conducted in Tamale, the capital of Ghana's Northern Region, between September 2012 and June 2013. The study concerns urban small-scale traders in the rapidly changing and expanding Tamale Central Business District, and aims to understand the role of urban small-scale trade in Ghana's further political development.

In addition to being a place of economic exchange, the marketplace is a public space where ideas and values are

discussed and mediated. The importance of the field to the city and the broader development is also evident in the interventions of the many external stakeholders such as the Metropolitan Assembly, various state institutions, political parties, traditional leaders, along banks and microfinance institutions. The leaders of the many unions and associations are also given influence and legitimacy. Thus, the Central Business District is a space with many competing authorities.

The traders work in a political context which is to some extent paradoxical. The state establishes a social safety net for them, encouraging them to take loans and brings them under state control while continuing to categorize their activities as informal. One day a trader can be taxed by the city, while the next day be sent off and banned from the same place. It is hence necessary to adopt a wider approach than an informal/formal dichotomy in order to understand and describe this process.

A conflict has for decades taken place between the two branches of the royal family who both aspire to the traditional power in Dagbon, in which Tamale is located. This has affected the terms and conditions of doing business in the city. The conflict between the two branches has been politicized by Ghana's major parties, making the situation even more complex. It culminated in 2002 with the murder of the Paramount Chief of Dagbon, Ya Na, and many others in his court in Yendi.

Since 2002, Tamale and Dagbon has seen several smaller armed outbreaks. Along with an increased police and military presence, strict curfews have at times been set up. This period, however, is described by the traders as a continued expansive time for the market, with many newly arrived traders, and growth, while the influence and importance of the trade unions and associations declined. The new comers, arriving from other parts of Ghana and West Africa and moving to Tamale for the sake of trade, are at the same time distancing themselves to the conflict.

The politicization has also meant that the city has been divided into areas, neighborhoods, streets and mosques associated with the different parties/branches. This becomes particularly evident during the campaign for the presidential and parliamentary elections held in December 2012.

2013-10-09 NB Wednesday 10.00-12.00 Mark Nuttall

Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta and Greenland Climate Research Centre/University of Greenland

"This is not an empty, wild place": Human-environment relations and extractive industries in southwest Greenland«

Since the introduction of self-government in 2009, which has given Greenlanders greater autonomy within the Kingdom of Denmark, the exploration for and exploitation of non-renewable resources has been



a cornerstone of government policy. A number of mineral exploration and mining development licenses have been granted to foreign companies and exploratory work for oil has continued off west Greenland and will take place in future years in northwest Greenland. This presentation reports on an anthropological project that is mapping historical and contemporary use of the Nuuk Fjord complex in southwest Greenland and is exploring humanenvironment relations and local knowledge to outline local and regional impacts and experiences of climate change, the dynamics, socio-economics, and political ecology of resource use, non-renewable resource development and the adaptive capacities of local communities. From its outer skerries to its mountain valleys, the Nuuk Fjord area is an important social, cultural and economic environment which many people from Nuuk and the village of Kapisillit in the inner part of the fjord depend on to sustain their hunting and fishing livelihoods. Like other areas around Greenland's coasts, the Nuuk Fjord region is full of named locations that materialize social relations and experience. Place names and local narrative accounts of seal hunting, whaling, tracking reindeer, or fishing, or travelling by boat, walking across the land, and camping attest to the historical and contemporary use of the area, and inform multispatial thinking and anticipation about its future use. The area is an assemblage of past and present cultural landscapes and environments. When one travels through and around it, one becomes aware of the confluences of interior landscapes, inlets, glaciers, rivers, wider stretches of open water, local knowledge, place names, stories and narratives, history and biography, and geology and society. Yet, the Nuuk Fjord is imagined, described and represented in a different way by industry consultants and politicians ambitious for the development of mines. Mining activities and energy and industrial development plans have provoked political and social debates within Greenland about the nature of such development, the absence of appropriate public consultation and regulatory processes, concerns about the impacts of extractive industries on hunting and fishing activities, rights of participation in development decision-making, and the shortcomings of social and environmental impact assessments. I discuss how local perceptions of the Nuuk Fjord are ignored and how local experience and knowledge are erased by the production of technical knowledge and in political and industry discourses about Greenlandic environments and sub-surface resources.

2013-10-14 NB Monday 10.00-12.00 Sanjay Kak, director »Art and Practice of Documentary Filmmaking«

2013-10-14

Ruben Andersson, Postdoctoral researcher Department of Social Anthropology, Stockholm University

»Time and the migrant other: temporalities of border controls at Europe's frontiers«

The borders of Europe increasingly seem like a battleground where a new kind of 'threat' is fought back and apprehended – the so-called 'illegal immigrant'. Sea

patrols, satellites and surveillance aircraft scour the Mediterranean in search for migrant boats; high-tech anti-migration fences have been built in Greece and Spain; and advanced information-sharing systems for the 'management' of Europe's external borders are being rolled out. Through such initiatives, Europe's external borders increasingly seem to be everywhere yet nowhere (Vaughan-Williams 2008) – a dense web of controls that displaces the borders both inward and outwards, throughout European space and into the borderlands beyond it. While the emerging interdisciplinary literature on Europe's border regime has concentrated on precisely these spatial arrangements, recent analyses have shifted focus towards the temporalities of controls (e.g. Andrijasevic 2010). Building on such perspectives, and in particular on the literature on encampment, this paper seeks to suture spatial and temporal concerns in inquiring into the time-space regimes of Europe's borders. It will do so by attending to the overlapping time-spaces of migration in the emerging Euro-African borderlands, focusing on retention in Spain's North African enclaves of Ceuta and Melilla and strandedness among deported migrants in Mali, while considering these settings in relation to larger time-spaces of surveillance and control. It is hoped that such a temporal account may contribute with new ethnographic frames on irregular migration by combining perspectives from the 'top' of policing and politics with a view from 'below'. With prolonged limbo-like situations affecting migrants across Europe and beyond, linking systems of control with migrants' experiences of these controls is increasingly urgent. Crucially, this is a field where anthropology has

For all seminars in the series, please visit our website.

CEIFO seminars on Transnational Migration

Upcoming seminar:

2013-10-08, 13.00-15.00, B600
Anna Lundberg, Senior Lecturer, Department of Global Political Studies, Malmö University
"Undocumented children's rights claims. A multidisciplinary project on agency and contradictions between different levels of regulations and practice that reveals undocumented children's human rights."

During the seminar I will present our four-year research project highlighting undocumented migrant children's claims to be right holders, focusing on everyday experiences and agency. Drawing on Hannah Arendt's observation that rights can be realised only in a political community and Jacque Rancière's



theory that politics of human rights must be rooted in the practices of rights-holders the project has a strong agency perspective that asks how children themselves claim and utilize rights. We also investigate contradictions between different levels of regulation regarding undocumented children's human rights.

Activities and interviews will be conducted in the city of Manchester, Great Britain and Malmö, Sweden. We also investigate international and national regulations in the area as well as policy at city level regarding undocumented children's rights.

The research will provide knowledge about the situation of undocumented migrant children from the point of human rights. This is of central importance especially with regard to the children since they as under-age and non-citizens lack the traditional opportunities for political action. The project will also provide theoretically important insights of the contested meaning of human rights at different levels. Furthermore, an aim is to create conditions for a more tempered public debate in Sweden around highly politicised subjects. Anthropology who are working on migration issues.

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The seminar is organised by CEIFO and the Migration cluster at the Department of Social Anthropology.

Film series

Screening and seminar Wednesday 16.00-18.00

Upcoming screenings and seminars:

2013-10-09 16.00-18.00, Lecture hall 4 »Images of the World and Inscriptions of War« by Harun Farocki, 1988 (75 min)

Farocki ponders two sets of images of the Holocaust and makes them readable by way of two strategies of recovery. A dialogue is established between two films made twenty years apart, sketching two formal responses to the question of the role visual knowledge plays in our understandings of History. An experimental work, whose central motif is an aerial photograph of Auschwitz taken by an American reconnaissance aeroplane on 4 April 1944. From this photograph, analysts were able to identify the surrounding factories, but not the death camp. Dialectical editing and distantiated commentary add to this documentary essay that analyses the conditions of readability of images, of 'seeing' and 'knowing', interweaving the multiple meanings of words and photographs.

2013-10-16 16.00-18.00, Lecture hall 4 »Dark Days« by Marc Singer, 2000 (94 min)

This documentary depicts a community of homeless people living in a train tunnel beneath Manhattan, a way of life that is unimaginable to most of those who walk the streets above. The director abandoned life on the outside to spend all of his time in the tunnels, making it his home for two years. The film is an eye-opening experience that shatters the myths of homelessness with the strength and universality of the people the film represents.

For all screenings and seminars in the series, please visit our website.

Other seminars, workshops, news

Stockholm Anthropology Roundtable Reading and Writing across Borders: Fiction and Reportage in a Mobile World

October 5-6, Aula Magna, Stockholm University Deadline: September 1

This conference will bring together anthropologists and several literary scholars from Europe and North America to discuss reading and writing across borders, especially in relation to fiction and reportage but also in relation to genres such as travel writing and memoirs. One point of departure is the changing notion of world literature: while it used to refer to literary



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masterpieces from Western Europe, it has expanded to refer to the circulation of literary works in a global context. The scrutiny of relationships between texts and shifting social contexts raises key issues of literacies and diasporas, and more generally of the influence of migration and media. As not only reportage, but also fiction, turns out to be the source of much understanding about a mobile world, it is important to explore the processes of writing, publishing and reading across borders. Home audiences, diaspora audiences and global audiences are different, and may be reached through different writing and publishing strategies. What topics make it across borders? How do publishing markets operate? Translations are also important here — at present these can be understood to channel transnational cultural flow unevenly and unequally.

Helena Wulff and Mattias Viktorin.



Call for articles

Please remember to notify us when you have published a new article in a journal or have been interviewed in the media. Articles will be posted on the noticeboard opposite the kitchen. Send any articles to **Lina**.

Film screening - Red Ant Dream October 11, 15.45, B5

Screening of *Red Ant Dream* followed by discussion with Sanjay Kak.

This is a chronicle of those who live the revolutionary ideal in India, a rare encounter with the invisible domain of those whose every-day is a fight for another ideal of the world. *Red Ant Dream* is the third in a cycle of films that interrogate the workings of Indian democracy.

Find out more.

Neoliberal Development and Indian Democracy: The Politics of Rights, Rebellions and Reforms
October 10-12, Stockholm University, Aula Magna

Conference organised by Beppe Karlsson, Henrik Berglund and Sanjib Baruah.

The conference will bring together analysts whose research throws light on aspects of India's encounter with neo-liberalism. There will be political-economic, sociological and ethnographic explorations of the following themes of rights, rebellion, dispossession and the reconceptualization of the state.

Inaugural panel

- Kanchan Chandra, New York University, USA »The New Indian State«
- John Echeverri-Gent, University of Virginia, USA »India's Neoliberal Turn: Do the costs outweigh the henefits?«
- Alpa Shah, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK
 - »The Risa and Fall of the Maoist Movement in India«

There are still a few seats left, please contact us if you are interested. Please note that the first session is open for all, no need to register for that.

In the political landcape of contemporary India, the rise of Naxalism – radical groups inspired by Mao Zedong's early twentieth century vision of peasant revolution and armed class struggle – is somewhat of a surprise. "A primitive peasant rebellion based on an outmoded ideology," as the London Economist once put it, "is out of keeping with the modern India of soaring growth, Bollywood dreams and call-centres." Analysts and Indian policy intellectuals disagree on whether the rise of Naxalism is the result of underdevelopment, i.e., certain areas being bypassed by development, or of its inverse: intensive development – the escalating demand for natural resources caused by the economic boom, and the consequent threats to traditional livelihoods of peoples living on lands rich in natural resources and minerals. Another version of the underdevelopment thesis focuses not on rebel grievances, but on weaknesses of the state in peripheral regions that create conditions for armed conflicts.

The mix of ideas and policies associated with 'neoliberalism'—especially the process of what David Harvey calls 'accumulation by dispossession'—may allow us to engage with the paradox of the rise of Naxalism in contemporary India. Democratic politics – intensely competitive elections and the upsurge of lower-caste political mobilization-- has given a particular twist to India's encounter with neo-liberalism. Thus when in June 2012 the global credit rating agency Standard and Poor's (S&P) warned that India's much-touted growth story might come to an end, it blamed "political road-blocks" that risk setbacks or reversals in the neo-liberal economic policycourse. The reference is primarily to the government's incapacity to continue on the path of neoliberal economic reforms, as highlighted by the impasse (that has since been overcome) over opening the retailing and aviation sectors to foreign investors. But among "political roadblocks" many include also the significant expansion of entitlement programs over the past decade. Indeed prominent advocates of the neo-liberal model have warned that a wave of populism leading to the expansion of entitlement programs, and the government's incapacity to implement second generation economic reforms, call into question India's ability to sustain high growth rates and to achieve the great power status that many in India covet.

But some of the so-called political roadblocks are viewed quite differently from another perspective. Since 2004, says

political scientist Sanjay Ruprelia, India "has enacted a series of groundbreaking legislative acts that enshrine a number of socioeconomic entitlements through legally enforceable rights." Among them are: The Right to Information Act (RTI), The National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA), The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, and the Food Security Bill currently under consideration by India's parliament. Whether these legislations confer rights in any meaningful sense of the term, or whether they point to an emerging alternative to the neo-liberal agenda however, are open to dispute. These are not universal or justiciable rights. Furthermore new rights legislations hide realities on the ground. For instance, contrary to the promises of the rhetoric of the right to food, the past few years have seen actual reduction in the amount of food-grain made available to families below the poverty line, and in the reach of India's public food distribution programs. Legislations such as the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act or the Food Security Act, say critics, primarily reflect the Congress party's electoral calculations.

The conference will bring together analysts whose research throws light on aspects of India's encounter with neo-liberalism.

Find out more.

Apartment wanted

Visiting professor from Boston is seeking a pleasant furnished home in Stockholm from November 1 through July 31, 2014, with room to put up guests. Ideally it would be close to downtown Stockholm and not too far from Stockholm University. Must be near public transport and have internet access. She can pay up to 10,000 SOK inclusive of utilities. Reply to Jenny White **jbwhite@bu.edu.**

Final discussion - Hans Tunestad October 30, 10.00-12.00, B600 Hans Tunestad, Department of Social Anthropology, Stockholm University

Final discussion of thesis manuscript: »The Therapeutization of Work: The Psychological Toolbox as Rationalization Means during the Third Industrial Revolution in Sweden«.

Examiner: Torbjörn Friberg, Malmö Högskola

SANT – tema "Gränser" Linköping, 3-5 april, 2014 Deadline: 1 december

SANTs årliga konferens hålls i Linköping torsdag-lördag den 3-5 april 2014 och vi efterfrågar nu förslag på paneler och nätverksmöten. Vi ser gärna att din panelen anknyter till konferensens tema 'Gränser', men den kan även handla om annat. Har du en idé om en panel och vill ordna den, och/eller ett nätverksmöte, hör av dig till Björn Alm bjorn.alm@liu.se senast den 1 december 2013.

Vi lägger schemat för hur panelerna och nätverksmötena tidsmässigt ska passa i konferensen, och kommer också framöver att fördela papers på panelerna. En panel förfogar över 2 timmar, vilket möjliggör 4-6 papers. Konferensspråket är svenska, men paneler kan förstås hållas på annat språk. Ge ditt förslag på panel på det språk panelen ska hållas.

Gränser genomsyrar den mänskliga existensen. Vare sig de är synliga eller osynliga, territoriella, symboliska eller moraliska.

Människor avgränsar sin värld för att göra den begriplig, för att skapa struktur och mening. Samtidigt utmanas gränser ständigt av individer, grupper och organisationer: Läkare utan gränser, Journalister, Ingenjörer, till och med Clowner utan gränser är verkliga grupper aktiva på och i områden där gränser skapar problem. Konstruktionen och upprätthållandet av gränserna är under ständiga förhandlingar, de utmanas, ifrågasätts, överskrids och omvandlas. Alla gränser är inte problematiska eller uttalade. I vissa fall kan gränser vara svårupptäckta för en utomstående, i andra fall är deras existens ofrånkomlig.
Ämnet för årets SANT-konferens är gränser ur ett antropologiskt perspektiv. Hur studerar antropologin gränser och vad kan antropologin tillföra för förståelsen av grän-

2013-12-05 - 2013-12-06 Workshop on ethnographies of border controls

ser, gränsdragningar, deras syften och problematik?

International workshop organised by Shahram Khosravi and Ruben Andersson, Deptartment of Social Anthropology, Stockholm University.

A growing body of interdisciplinary work on the bordering of Europe has emerged in recent years in relation to one of the main catalysts for the accelerating fortification of the frontiers: the



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irregular migrant. Ethnographically informed work has much to contribute to these interdisciplinary debates – not least in questioning their parameters.

Pioneering studies are doing precisely that, focusing on issues such as the socio-legal production of illegality (de Genova 2002), the transnational formation of migration policy (Feldman 2012), the politics of refugee encampment (Agier 2011), the 'biopolitics of otherness' (Fassin 2001) and the embodied experiences of border controls (Coutin 2005; Khosravi 2010; Willen 2007). This workshop seeks to consolidate the existing ethnographic findings on the European border regime while mapping out future terrains of exploration, with a view towards a broader comparative perspective on contemporary bordering processes. Taking the cue from the finegrained material approach to the power dynamics at the border proposed by William Walters ('viapolitics': Walters 2012) and Didier Bigo (2010), the workshop seeks to explore concrete aspects of the border regime, ranging from humanitarian mechanisms and the defence industry's laboratories to the vehicles used in human smuggling and the surveillance and policing technologies that facilitate the scanning of these vehicles. The aim is to provide complex ethnographic roadmaps for what is still a little-explored field – that is, the concrete means (vehicles,

roads, machinery, manpower) by which Europe's border regime is constituted. It is hoped that this focus on the materialities of the border can contribute with new ethnographic frames on migration in which the views from the 'top' of policing and politics may be combined with the views from 'below' — that is, from the perspective of migrants traversing time-spaces of control, whether in Europe or in other regions with similar bordering dynamics.

The workshop will have a limited number of participants working on pioneering research in this field. The rationale for the small format is twofold: first, to develop common agendas and research tools while pooling existing findings, with the view to future collaboration and dissemination via the participants' own research networks. Second, to produce a thematic issue of a leading peer-reviewed journal, including versions of papers presented at the workshop. The limited number of participants also allows for extensive discussion among peers during the workshop, with 40 minutes dedicated to each paper. Scholars working on non-European migration regimes will contribute with crucial comparative perspectives. Participants will be encouraged not just to present existing findings, but to suggest future research pathways and methodological innovations (with the latter a crucial factor in the study of European borders owing to limitations in access to data). The transdisciplinary nature of the workshop will allow for the sharing of research techniques, and will also allow for extensive participation by the large number of researchers in the Department of Anthropology who are working on migration issues.

13th EASA Biennial Conference Collaboration, Intimacy & Revolution - innovation and continuity in an interconnected world 31st July - 3rd August, 2014, Estonian Institute of Humanities, Tallinn University, Estonia

Key dates

Call for Panels: 14/10/2013-09/12/2013 Decisions on panels: 22/12/2013 Call for papers: 27/12/2013-27/02/2014 Registration opens: 10/04/2014

The 2014 EASA conference, which also celebrates the 25th anniversary of EASA's inaugural meeting, coincides with a quarter-century since the end of the Cold War and the events that triggered dramatic changes around the world. The 14th EASA Biennial Conference will be held in a region that experienced first-hand the socio-political reconfigurations emerging around that time. This conference aptly revolves around the complex intimacies and collaborations at play in bringing about revolutionary change.

20th century social theory, which accounts for the majority of anthropology's professional history, was characterized, amongst other things, by the belief that anthropos was a selfish and competitive being. The new millennium has distinguished itself already by new forms of empirical data, conceptual innovation, cross-disciplinary theorising, and vanguard technologies, which acknowledge, even multiply, anthropos' potential for cooperation.

EASA 2014 is an invitation to explore new collaborative practices and data sets at various levels and in multiple directions. It is also an invitation to explore concepts of collaboration as a way out of certain theoretical and methodological deadlocks in which many anthropolo-

gists have found themselves in past decades: the iron cage of structural functionalism has been pried open, for example, by intentional and collaborating social actors, and some of the bottomless deconstructions of postmodernism have been overcome by attention to the collective and collaborative making of meaning. We also invite colleagues to think about collaboration as not just a technical affair, but as an intimate process. Approaching collaboration as relations of intimacy opens up conceptual spaces to explore the basic terms of our contemporary world, including social and political change, community, kinship, social networks, activism and digital media.

One thematic direction for this conference includes attention to the technologies of, and for, intimate collaboration, such as those proliferating on the Internet. Virtual communication has changed the flow of information and spurred new types of cooperation previously unknown or impossible, but participants are, of course, also invited to consider the many forms of intimate collaborations beyond those related to new technology. Intimacy invokes emotion and the senses. The conference will pick up on the 'sensuous re-turn' in anthropology characterised by research practises that involve contextual, reflexive, ethnological and ethnographic fieldwork, participant observation, and thick description. Narrative, memory, ways of dealing with rapid and extreme social changes, the construction of self-identity in a globalising, intersensuous, and trans-subjective world, are all issues that EASA 2014 might consider. Such considerations are crucial in developing the conceptual tools and research practices which will help to maintain anthropology's standing as a discipline among other disciplines—especially at a time of concern for the discipline, when cultures of audit, speed and disposability impact on funding opportunities and what is valued in scholarship which, in turn, are blocking certain academic pathways.

Thinking of the intimacy of cooperation and collaboration may also change our perspective on the place of anthropos in the world. We might direct our attention to companion species for instance, or meshes, or networks, or thought nebula as agents in the terraforming of experience – in the attention paid to the 'noosphere' or the 'anthropocene'. We might think disaggregation of humanity along human/machine lines and its recombination in 'cyborg' anthropology, for example, or in our understandings of artificial intelligence. Further examples include the emergence of aggregate political subjects like Occupy or entities such as Anonymous.

Scrutinising the simultaneously mental and material processes of collaboration, we find that such processes are never constituted by smooth flows or unanimous connections alone. Rather, social and cultural worlds come into being through various, often disharmonious and conflicting modes and spheres of collaborating. Cooperation in all its forms is also frequently shot through with hierarchies and inequalities. Thinking in terms of intimate collaborations also necessitates asking about clashes, conflicts, and collusion (both tacit and explicit), which frequently go hand in hand with declarations of cooperation and partnership. Ethnographers, with their sharp eye for hidden dynamics, are in a unique position to highlight the

complexities, nuances and contradictions of collaboration.

Politically, new forms of collaboration are especially topical in terms of recent post-colonial developments around the world, including those in West Africa and in the aftermath of the 'Arab Spring', as well as links forged, for example, between rioters in Brazil and Turkey. This conference provides an opportunity to discuss topics such as the relations between networking technologies and social change; there is also an invitation to critically analyse the 'revolutions' which they are understood to facilitate.

For our professional practice, focusing on the revolutionary dynamics of collaborative intimacies can help us rethink the production of knowledge which anthropologists are currently engaged with. As a researcher inevitably participates in creating a web of collaboration while conducting fieldwork, he or she may encounter various dilemmas related to the intimacy of these collaborations. What is the meaning of intimacy for an anthropologist in a variety of fieldwork situations? Furthermore, do different mediums such as written text, documentary film, or sound recordings enable the researcher to create a different level of collaboration with the field, producing more collaborative anthropological knowledge as a result? Who and what collaborates to produce ethnographic knowledge? With many anthropologists exploring dissemination through new media, does our networked world usher in the end of the lone ethnographer? What would be lost if it did?

It is fortuitous that a conference addressing these themes will take place in Tallinn. Along with other Baltic states, Estonia initiated the 'Singing Revolution' which has been credited a central role in the country's move towards independence and post-Soviet reformations. Today, Estonia is equally at the forefront of the digital revolution – a socio-technological complex which is likely to have impacts analogous to those of the printing press 500 years ago. Through a focus on Collaboration, Intimacy and Revolution we invite you to explore not only the manifold social, political and cultural transformations around the world, but also to re-think some of our taken-for-granted conceptual tools.

Find out more.

2014-03-06 - 2014-03-07

Workshop: »Transnational migration and global work« Deadline: February 10

Organised together with Department of Human Geography, Stockholm University.

In times of globalization, activities of work are also becoming more global in nature and in particular they involve transnational migration flows. Nation states and international organisations, such as the EU, are examples of emerging global mig-



ration regimes, trying to monitor global work. The increasing mobility of people, who wish to improve their life situations, is another indication of the significance of global work. Recruitment agencies are brokering migrant workers, students are entering international universities and transnational firms are

acting within global value chains. Some migrant workers enter the high end of the economy and are sometimes referred to as highly-skilled or career migrants, whereas others enter the low end of the economy, often suffering from exploitation and low earnings. The extensive student migration from India to the ICT firms in the US, South-Asian women doing domestic work in Singapore and Thai berry pickers in Sweden are all examples of global work – gendered and characterized by class and ethnic hierarchies in an evermore globalized labour market.

This workshop emphasizes how various forms of global work are closely linked to transnational migration processes. Webs of networks tie countries together, constituting a transnational social space, facilitating migration flows. The everyday practices of individual migrants are affected by these networks and the simultaneous events taking place in the sending and receiving countries – and at the same time contribute to their continuation. There are hence many examples of how transnational migration processes and global work practices are interlinked: in globalized economies institutions develop global networks within which workers are recruited. These institutions can be transnational firms, global brokers or a network of families and friends. In the receiving society, transnational networks are often used in the labour market and transnational migrant entrepreneurs can use their contacts in their homeland to establish their business in the new country.

The workshop is divided into two major strands:

- Migrant practices and everyday life In this part of the workshop focus is on the transnational activities of migrant workers and/or international students in the global labour markets. We are for example interested in the everyday life of the migrant in the homeland and/or in the receiving countries, the temporary or permanent migrant, who may or may not be embedded in an existing structure of social network (e.g. diaspora) and gender relations and effects on the household and how they relate to 'global work'.
- Structural conditions: policies, organizations and brokers The second strand of the workshop focuses on the structural level of transnational migration processes and its relation to global work, such as the political agendas or migration regimes of nation states, the activities of migrant organisations, the agendas of transnational firms or the mediating role of recruitment agencies.

We welcome scholars with an interest in transnational migration and global work to contribute to the workshop within these two strands. Please send your abstract no later than February 10 2014 and your paper no later than March 3 to: Charlotta Hedberg (charlotta.hedberg@humangeo.su.se). The abstract should not exceed 400 words and the paper should be between 4000 and 7000 words (including references). Arranging committee:

Charlotta Hedberg, Department of Human Geography, Stockholm University

Erik Olsson, Department of Social Anthropology, Stockholm University

All upcoming seminars and events in brief

2013-10-05 Reading and Writing across Borders: Fiction and Reportage in a Mobile World 2013-10-07 Ulrik Jennische **2013-10-08** Anna Lundberg 2013-10-09 Mark Nuttall 2013-10-10 Neoliberal Development and Indian Democracy: The Politics of Rights, Rebellions and Reforms 2013-10-14 Sanjay Kak 2013-10-14 Ruben Andersson 2013-10-21 Monica Sand **2013-10-28** Jannete Hentati 2013-10-29 Suruchi Thapar-Björkert **2013-10-30** Hans Tunestad 2013-11-04 Chris Wright 2013-11-11 Mark R. Westmoreland **2013-11-12** Hans Lucht 2013-11-18 Lucia King 2013-11-19 Eva Evers Rosander **2013-11-26** Alireza Behtoui **2013-12-02** Mia Forrest 2013-12-03 Vanessa Barker 2013-12-05 Workshop on ethnographies of border controls **2013-12-09** Martin Saxer **2013-12-10** Daniela de Bono **2013-12-16** Robert Willim 2014-01-14 Jesper Bjarnesen **2014-02-04** Katy Gardner 2014-03-06 Transnational migration and global work

Mondo ligger nere 16-18 oktober

Den 16-18 oktober sker planerat underhåll på samarbetsoch lärplattformen Mondo. Under tiden för underhållet kommer det inte vara möjligt att logga in i Mondo. Avbrottet kommer att pågå mellan onsdagen den 16 oktober kl. 08:00 och fredagen den 18 oktober kl. 08:00. Det kan vara bra för såväl lärare som administratörer och studenter att redan nu planera så att man inte är beroende av åtkomst till Mondo under denna tid.

Syftet med underhållet är att införa förbättringar av användbarheten i Mondo samt åtgärda kända fel. Har du frågor om uppgraderingen, kontakta Helpdesk via **helpdesk@su.se**.

För mer information.

Handledning på webben hjälper dig ta fram digital pedagogisk meritportfölj

Webbresursen »Att skapa en digital pedagogisk meritportfölj« riktar sig till dig som är universitetslärare. Webbresursen är uppbyggd som en kort handledning, en resurs som också pekar ut mot andra universitet i Sverige och världen.

För mer information.

Träffa Vetenskapsrådet för Medicin och Hälsa (VR-MH) 28 november, Ahlmannsalen, Geovetenskapens hus

13.15-15.00: Öppen hearing för alla forskare 15.15-16.15: Samtal med junior faculty

Framtida viktiga forskningsområden kommer att diskuteras.

Informationsmöte om Horizon 2020 24 oktober, 11.30-15.30, Oscar Klein Auditorium, Alba Nova

Horizon 2020 är EU:s största satsning på forskning och innovation och kommer att ha en budget på närmare 70 miljarder euro under perioden 2014-2020. I december månad förväntas de första utlysningarna öppna och VINNOVA tillsammans med KTH och Stockholms universitet bjuder därför in dig till ett informationsmöte.

Den 24 oktober besöker VINNOVA Alba Nova för att informera om EU:s nya ramprogram Horizon 2020. Informationsturnén vänder sig specifikt till dig som vill få en överblick av möjligheterna inom Horizon 2020. Programmet inkluderar en förstärkt satsning på excellent forskning, extra satsningar på små och medelstora företag, tvärvetenskapliga samarbeten, satsningar på industriella teknologier och samhällsutmaningar, samt förenklade regler för deltagande.

Vi välkomnar alla som jobbar med forskning eller innovation

och/eller dig som är allmänt intresserad av EU:s forskningsstöd till informationsmötet i Stockholm. Under dagen medverakr några av VINNOVAs nationella kontaktpersoner (NPC).

Evenemanget är gratis och anmälan görs direkt till VINNO-VA, dock senast den 17 oktober.

För mer information.

Ny tidskrift - Eurasian Geography and Economics

Eurasian Geography and Economics är en akademisk tidskrift inom ämnena ekonomisk och politisk geografi samt makroekonomi på den eurasiska kontinenten. Den publiceras i samarbete med Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies. Varannan månad publicerar tidskriften empiriska uppsatser av forskare anslutna till The Brookings Institution, Russian Academy of Sciences, Chinese Academy of Sciences, liksom stora universitet och forskningsorganisationer i Nordamerika, Västeuropa och Japan.

För mer information.

Samhällsvetenskapliga fakulteten - seminarier och föreläsningar

Här finner du de seminarier och föreläsningar som vänder sig till, och är öppna för, forskare inom fakulteten. Vissa av dem kan i undantagsfall även vara öppna för allmänheten. Vänligen kontakta respektive institution för information.

Gästforskarbostäder

Stockholms universitet hyr och administrerar ett antal möblerade lägenheter i olika områden i Stockholm. Dessa bostäder hyrs ut till internationella doktorander och gästforskare vid universitetet.

För mer information.

ResearchGate - a social network for researchers

ResearchGate lets you track and measure the visibility of your research by using different tools and metrics.
ResearchGate also lets you connect and collaborate with colleagues, peers, co-authors, and specialists in your field.

Find out more.

Sikte på miljöcertifiering nästa år

Efter rektorsbeslutet om miljöcertifiering har det miljörelaterade arbetet varit i full gång. Du har kanske märkt av det genom att din institution har fått besök av en intern miljörevisor eller att miljörepresentanten skickar ut information om den nya miljöhandlingsplan och universitetets miljöwebb.

För mer information.

Varning för stöld av mobiltelefoner

Den senaste tiden har det förekommit flera stölder av mobiltelefoner i allmänna lokaler vid universitetet. Sektionen för säkerhet uppmanar alla att vara extra vaksamma och rapportera stölder.

Stölderna har skett vid bord i allmänna utrymmen. Tjuvarna har distraherat personer vid borden till exempel genom att lägga något över mobiltelefonerna eller genom att ställa frågor. När dessa personer lämnat borden har mobiltelefonerna varit försvunna.

Har du blivit bestulen eller har iakttagit en misstänkt stöld kan du kontakta säkerhetshandläggare Thomas Hårberg på telefon 08-16 1025 eller e-post **thomas.harberg@su.se**.

European archive for social science and humanities data

A European data centre for social sciences and humanities is to be established in Bergen, Norway, and expected to open in early December.

Find out more.

Medarbetarwebben & andra informationskanaler

Medarbetarwebben SU på Facebook SUB på Facebook Sveriges Antropologförbund (SANT) på Facebook



Öppna föreläsningar vid Stockholms universitet

Sedan 30 år tillbaka ger Stockholms universitet öppna föreläsningar där universitetets forskning presenteras i populärvetenskaplig form. Ämnena är breda - stora och små, nationella och internationella, bekanta eller helt nya. **Här hittar du alla föreläsningar**.

Universitetets forskningsdatabas

Universitetets forskningsdatabas har varje vecka över 1000 besökare; 80% är förstagångsbesökare medan 20% återkommer för att leta information om Stockholms universitets forskare och forskning. Du som forskare kan logga in med ditt universitetskonto och börja använda forskningsdatabasen som din egen personliga hemsida.

Current applications, grants, calls, vacancies

Vetenskapsrådet – Konferensbidrag (Löpande ansökan)

Syftet med bidraget är att främja internationellt forskningssamarbete och erfarenhetsutbyte. Konferensbidrag är ett sätt att ge forskare verksamma i Sverige möjlighet att anordna en konferens med internationellt erkända föredragshållare.

För mer information.



St John's College at the University of Oxford invites applications for its visiting research center associate scheme Deadline: October 6

Scholarships are tenable for between three and 12 months and are intended to support academics who wish to spend a period of sabbatical leave in Oxford.

Applicants must be academic staff who hold a post in a university other than Oxford. Successful applicants will be eligible for a room or a share of a room in a research center and the same dining rights as other research center associates, but no salary, research allowance or residential accommodation.

Applications for the academic year 2014-15 should be sent by either 6 October 2013 or 12 January 2014.

Find out more.



The Lorentz Center, together with the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences, invites nominations for its distinguished Lorentz fellowship Deadline: October 15

This is awarded to a leading scientist working on cutting-edge research at the interface between the humanities and social sciences and the natural and technological sciences. The fellowship includes: 10 months of on-site study and accommodation at NIAS; replacement funds of up to €5,000 per month for nominees working in the Netherlands; an interdisciplinary NIAS-Lorentz workshop with a total value of €25,000; a personal prize of €10,000.

Nominees must be put forward by leading figures from within the Dutch academic community.

Find out more.

Författarstipendium för offentliggjorda läromedel kopierade i Sverige Sista ansökningsdag: 16 oktober

SLFF utlyser genom sitt servicebolag Läromedelsförfattarna i Sverige AB (LISAB) varje år under september månad detta stipendium. Stipendiebeloppen varierade under år 2012 mellan 3 000 och 50 000 kr. Berättigad att söka är den som ensam eller tillsammans med någon annan

författat minst ett läromedel som kan antas ha blivit kopierat i Sverige. Läromedlet ska ha offentliggjorts i Sverige året före ansökningsåret eller tidigare. Verket ska vara avsett för undervisning i skolor, högskolor och/eller andra utbildningsanordnare samt arbetsplatser med vilka kopieringsavtal finns. Sådana är t.ex. grundskolor, gymnasier, högskolor, folkhögskolor samt vissa fristående skolor. Läromedlet får inte vara utgivet som kopieringsunder

För mer information.

REMESO Graduate School in Migration, Ethnicity and Society

Linköping University

Austere Histories: Changing Narratives of Europe's Colonial Past and Multicultural Present

November 11-December 13, Intensive Week November 26–29

Course Directors: Peo Hansen and Stefan Jonsson

The course provides a unique opportunity to explore the new Politics of Austerity together with some of Europe's best scholars and researchers on the topic. Many European societies have recently turned toward more austere political regimes guided by authoritarian values. What do these changes entail for labour markets, politics and social life? In which ways do they change imaginaries of the present and the past? The course explores how austerity imposes new regimes of migration and citizenship and new forms of exclusion along race, class and gender lines. It also investigates how austerity entails a return to more nationalist and ethnically assertive interpretations of history and the cultural heritage.

The course is organized in conjunction with an international symposium on the topic, organized by REMESO. Students taking the course will first be given two days of lectures and seminars, after which they will participate in the sessions and discussions at the two-day symposium.

Speakers and lecturers:

Nicolas Bancel, Université de Lausanne; Gurminder K Bhambra, Univertsity of Warwick; Manuela Boatca, Freie Universität; Nacira Guénif-Souilamas, Université de Paris X — Saint Denis; Lars Jensen, Roskilde University; Nicola Labanca, University of Siena; Esther Captain, National Committee for the Remembrance of WWII, Amsterdam; Robbie Shilliam, Queen Mary University of London; Charles Woolfson, REMESO, Linköping University; Branka Likic-Brboric, REMESO, Linköping University; Peo Hansen, REMESO, Linköping University; Stefan Jonsson, REMESO, Linköping University.

Find out more.



Rice University's Humanities Research Center invites applications for its external faculty fellowships: the Autrey Visiting Scholar program

Deadline: end of October

Fellowships are awarded to support research projects in the humanities. This includes, but is not limited to: history, philosophy, languages, literature, linguistics, religious studies, art history and the arts. Proposals employing humanistic approaches are welcome from the anthropology and other social sciences, natural sciences, music, architecture, and engineering. The fellows will teach one course affiliated with a humanities department, and will course affiliated with a humanities department, and will be in residence at the center during their appointments.

Both junior and senior scholars with tenure or tenure-track appointments at colleges and universities other than Rice are eligible to apply. They must be at least three years beyond receipt of the PhD at the beginning of the fellowship term. Fellows will receive a stipend of no less than \$40,000, depending on rank, for a duration of one semester, as well as an allowance for research and relocation to be used during the appointment period.

The call for applications will be posted mid-August and outlines all of the required materials. Applications are due at the end of October and decisions are announced in late December.

Find out more.

Inbjudan av gästforskare från Tyskland Sista ansökningsdag: 1 november

Riksbankens Jubileumsfond (RJ) har ett avtal med Alexander von Humboldt-Stiftung om att ömsesidigt stödja utbyte av gästforskare inom ramen för ett gemensamt program, Swedish-German Programme Research Awards for Scientific Cooperation. Avtalet innebär att RJ med ett skattefritt stipendium bekostar en längre tids vistelse (4-12 månader) för en framstående tysk forskare vid någon forskningsinstitution i Sverige. Stipendiet beräknas så att det täcker ev. avstådda löneförmåner samt rese- och uppehållskostnader m.m. för den tid som avses. Humboldtstiftelsen bekostar på motsvarande sätt en framstående svensk forskares vistelse i Tyskland.

Stipendiet avser sökande från de humanistiska och samhällsvetenskapliga ämnesområdena.

Förslagen från institutionerna ska vara RJ tillhanda senast den 1 november 2013. De bör åtföljas av en beskrivning av den föreslagna forskarens vetenskapliga inriktning och meriter liksom av institutionens engagemang och möjligheter att ordna goda arbets- och bostads-förhållanden för inbjuden gästforskare under 2014. Urvalet bland inkomna förslag görs av de arbetsgrupper som inom RJ handlägger forsknings-ansökningar. Därefter inbjuder RJ och träffar avtal med utsedd tysk forskare och svensk värdinstitution om villkoren för vistelsen i Sverige.

För mer information.

Riksbankens Jubileumsfond utlyser Resestipendier ur Nils-Eric Svenssons Fond

Sista ansökningsdag: 1 november

Nils-Eric Svenssons Fond ger möjlighet för yngre disputerade svenska forskare inom Riksbankens Jubileumsfonds verksamhetsområden att resa till och under kortare tid, ett riktmärke är 3-4 månader, vistas i en framstående europeisk forskningsmiljö.

Riksbankens Jubileumsfond utlyser härmed två resestipendier om vardera 100 000 kr för detta ändamål. Av ansökan skall klart framgå på vilket sätt resestipendiet kan vara till gagn för utvecklingen av den egna forskningen, men också för såväl hem- som värdinstitution.

Den sökande ska:

- ha doktorerat för högst 5 år sedan
- ej vara över 40 år
- vara anknuten till en forskningsenhet inom ett svenskt universitet
- ha en inbjudan till den forskningsenhet man ämnar besöka, som bifogas ansökan

För mer information.



Wenner-Gren Foundation Dissertation Fieldwork Grants Deadline: November 1

Dissertation Fieldwork Grants are awarded to aid doctoral or thesis research. The program contributes to the Foundation's overall mission to support basic research in anthropology and to ensure that the discipline continues to be a source of vibrant and significant work that furthers our understanding of humanity's cultural and biological origins, development, and variation. The Foundation supports research that demonstrates a clear link to anthropological theory and debates, and promises to make a solid contribution to advancing these ideas. There is no preference for any methodology, research location, or subfield. The Foundation particularly welcomes proposals that employ a comparative perspective, can generate innovative approaches or ideas, and/or integrate two or more subfields.

Find out more.



Fulbright Sweden: studera eller undervisa i USA

Swedish Graduate Student Program

For Swedish students with an excellent academic record who will complete a Swedish or EU university degree prior to departure for the U.S. and who intend to stay at least one academic year. Open for all fields of study, except medicine (with the exception of public health and medical research), dentistry or veterinary medicine. Graduate student applications include: Master degrees, Ph.D. degrees, Non-degree, and Visiting Student Researchers.

Master degrees are usually two year master programs in arts or sciences or one year for a Masters in Law (LLM); Ph.D. degrees usually require a completed masters degree, publications in the field of study, and academic or professional experience in the field; Non-degree students take courses for credit but do not earn a degree (usually 1 year); Visiting Student Researchers have already developed a Ph.D. dissertation topic and the primary objective is one year of research with a limitation of one or two courses. Grantees are selected in advance, as university placement and testing takes place during the year prior to the intended year of study.

Applications for the Graduate Student Program 2015-16 academic year will be due Monday, April 28, 2014.

Find out more.

Peg Zeglin Brand Endowed Chair in Gender Studies Department of Gender Studies, Indiana University- Bloomington

Deadline: November 11

The Department of Gender Studies at Indiana University, Bloomington seeks to fill the Peg Zeglin Brand Chair in Gender Studies at the full or associate rank starting August 2014 with a scholar from any disciplinary background whose work centrally addresses feminism, sexuality and/or gender. We are especially interested in interdisciplinary scholars whose areas of specialization include any combination of the following: film and media; critical race and queer of color critique; dis/ability studies; transgender studies; transnational and postcolonial feminism. Minimal requirements: Doctoral degree in relevant field and tenurable professional dossier.

Indiana University, Bloomington's Department of Gender Studies was one of the first in the nation to offer a Ph.D. in Gender Studies, now in its eighth year. Current areas of strength in the department include race/ethnicity, feminist theory, media/representation/cultural studies, sexualities, sexual health, spatial studies of sexuality and gender (including queer rurality, metronormativity, and diaspora), and studies of science, medicine and technology. The department is in the midst of a dynamic period of growth and innovation, and full participation in the development of our programs will be essential. The successful candidate will be expected to maintain an active research and publication profile in a fashion commensurate with the prestige of the endowed chair. Teaching responsibilities include both the undergraduate and graduate core and elective courses and advising student research at all levels, including direction of doctoral dissertations. Review of applications will begin November 11, 2013 and continue until the position is filled. To apply, submit electronically via https://indiana.peopleadmin.com: a letter of application detailing how your research agenda, teaching experience, and philosophy fit with job description and department; curriculum vitae; and name/contact information for four referees to Barbara Black-Kurdziolek (baablack@indiana.edu) c/o: L.H. Stallings, Search Committee Chair, Department of Gender Studies, Memorial Hall East, Room 130, Bloomington, IN 47405.

Den kvalitativa intervjun som forskningsmetod 2-13 december, Tema T, Linköpings universitet Sista anmälningsdag: 15 november

Kursen riktar sig till doktorander intresserade av att samla in empiriskt material till sin avhandling med hjälp av kvalitativa intervjuer.

Mål

- Introducera intervjun som forskningsmetod
- Göra kursdeltagarna bekanta med olika former av intervjuer och olika sätt att genomföra intervjuer
- Låta kursdeltagarna träna på att genomföra olika intervjuerformer
- Låta kursdeltagarna träna på att transkribera och analysera intervjuer
- Låta kursdeltagarna tillsammans diskutera och reflektera över intervjuprocessen och hur man kan använda detta material i avhandlingen.

Fokus är på kvalitativt intervjuarbete: upplägg, genomförande och analys.

Kursinnehåll

Kursen kombinerar föreläsningar, diskussionsseminarier samt praktiska intervju- och analysövningar. Kursen är intensiv och interaktiv och baseras på att kurslitteraturen har lästs i förväg, ett aktivt deltagande under två veckor på Tema T, Linköpings universitet samt att efterföljande göra en examinationsuppgift. Deltagarna skall under kursen genomföra egna intervjuer, transkribera och analysera dessa samt reflektera över intervjun som arbetsredskap. Examination sker genom inlämnande av kursuppgifterna samt en fristående intervjuövning som genomförs efter avslutade kursveckor på Tema T.

Undervisningstillfällena behandlar följande teman:

- Förberedelse och kontakt inför intervju
- Kommunikation och interaktion i intervjusituationen
- · Olika slags intervjuer och vilken typ av material dessa ger
- Att intervjua om känsliga ämnen
- Makt och intersektionalitet i intervjusituationen
- Fokusgruppsintervjuer
- Transkribering, kodning och analys av intervjun
- Dokumentation, arkivering och etiska aspekter

Kursen ges 2-13 december 2013, kursspråket är svenska, och deltagande i alla moment är obligatoriskt. Litteraturlista och schema skickas ut till anmälda deltagare senast 1 november. Inlämnande av examinationsuppgift senast 31 januari 2014. Max 12 deltagare, anmälan senast 15 november till **eva.danielsson@liu.se**

Kursen ger 7,5 högskolepoäng.

Kursansvariga: Corinna Kruse (corinna.kruse@liu.se) och Lotta Björklund Larsen (lotta.bjorklund.larsen@liu.se), Tema T.

The InterGender Research School Theorizing Queer Temporalities January 16-18, University of Gothenburg Deadline: November 21

Teachers:

- Jackie Stacey, Professor of Media and Cultural Studies, University of Manchester, UK
- Sam McBean, Visiting Lecturer based at the London School of Economics and Political Science

- Kajsa Widegren, Assistant Professor, University of Gothenburg, Sweden
- Guest lecturer: Clare Hemmings, Professor of Feminist Theory, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK

Course description:

This InterGender course will focus on the recent body of work on temporality in queer studies. The course will discuss key queer theoretical texts on temporality (by authors such as Elizabeth Grosz, Heather Love, Lee Edelman, Judith Halberstam, José Muñoz, Elizabeth Freeman) and consider these alongside a number of cultural texts and examples (including literature, film, live performance, art) concerned with queering time (or the queerness of time). Our sessions will be concerned with the theoretical frameworks which have informed recent debates on queer temporality (and also those which have remained in the background) as well as the methodological and conceptual issues of moving between theoretical and cultural readings.

We will ask questions about what we might mean by 'temporality' and 'queer' and consider what norms of temporality queer is supposedly challenging. Moreover, the course will bring queer work on temporality into dialogue with feminist debates about the politics of time and our affective investments in narration and story-telling. We will explore how and why feminist approaches to temporality are different/similar to queer ones and consider why we might want to bring them into dialogue with each other.

Find out more.

Revisiting 'doing gender': Language and gender in interaction

May 6-8, 2014, University of Karlstad, Sweden Deadline: March 7, 2014

Teachers:

- Don Kulick, Professor of Anthropology, University of Chicago, USA
- Ann-Carita Evaldsson, Professor of Education, Uppsala University, Sweden
- Erica Sandlund, Senior lecturer, English Linguistics/ affiliated researcher, Center for Gender Studies, Karlstad University, Sweden

Course description:

This course centers on exploring key aspects of the relationships between language, gender, and social interaction. Current and earlier debates in the area of language, gender and interaction are revisited with a focus both on the commonalities and differences between different approaches. Providing methodological discussions and illustrative examples on how researchers go about collecting and analyzing data, the overreaching focus of the course is how gender issues and other forms of inequalities have been addressed in recent discourse research. We will pay particular attention to research on language and sexuality, enactments of differences, and on interactional accomplishments of gender in various settings. A core

idea behind the research examined is the ethnomethodological concept of 'doing gender' that had been present in some form since mid-seventies and firmly established during the 1990s.

The course will, firstly, investigate the relationship between language and gender, both theoretically and empirically. Secondly, the course encompasses research using an ethnomethodological and conversation analytic approach in the study of identity and interaction. The course is aimed at doctoral students in gender studies and related fields, suitable for anyone with an interest in how gender is 'done' in language and embodied action.

Find out more.

European JPI Climate Joint Call for Transnational Collaborative Research Projects Deadline: November 29

The call is open to international consortia of researchers and research groups from academic and other organisations that have a strong focus on research.

For the call topic on Societal Transformation, consortia must include partners from at least three of the European countries participating in the call: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, The Netherlands, Norway, Slovenia, Sweden, the UK. Involvement of partners from civil society, policymakers, public administration or industry for co-designing research questions and co-production of knowledge is encouraged.

For the call topic on Russian Arctic & Boreal Systems, consortia must include at least one partner from the Russian Federation, based in a research institution, funding its own participation in the project, and partners from at least two of the European countries participating in the call: Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Norway, Sweden, the UK.

For both topics, researchers from countries others than those participating in the funding of the call may participate in the research project at their own expense.

The Joint Programming Initiative "Connecting Climate Knowledge for Europe (JPI Climate)" was established as part of the effort to deal with climate change as one of the Grand Challenges. JPI Climate seeks to facilitate integrated climate knowledge and decision support services for societal innovation towards a climate-friendly and climate-proof Europe. JPI Climate provides a platform for aligning national research priorities, coordinating the research base in Europe, and responding to the needs of the European society, through innovative inter- and trans-disciplinary approaches and flexible collaborative governance.

This JPI Climate Joint Call for Transnational Collaborative Research Projects will provide support for top-quality research projects on topics that are of high societal relevance in Europe and globally, recognising that such challenges require joint efforts through multinational approaches. JPI Climate is seeking proposals from consortia consisting of partners from the participating European

countries as well as others. Consortia should preferably bring together different scientific disciplines to address the issues within the scope of the described call topics. The projects should display clear links to decision-makers and users of climate knowledge as well as potential change agents in society. Following the recommendations made by the European Commission to reinforce the European Research Area partnership for excellence and growth (COM (2012) 392 final), activities supported within JPI Climate need to be coherent with other on-going national and international initiatives, including European Union programmes. They should be genuinely collaborative and demonstrate that more will be achieved by working together than by individual partners working on their own.

Thematic framework

Two broad topics have been defined for this first call of JPI Climate.

Topic 1: Societal Transformation in the Face of Climate Change

The call aims to facilitate research activities in the European Research Area that inform and support societal transformations in the face of climate change and in line with sustainable development in Europe and globally. The social sciences and humanities are crucial to understanding these processes of change. In particular, proposals should address:

- The normative and social justice dimensions of climate change
- The role of knowledge and risk perception in climaterelated policies
- The societal capacity and governance to respond to climate change
- The role of economy and finance in societal transformation
- Integrative studies on societal transformation, visions and pathways under climate change
- Topic 2: Russian Arctic & Boreal Systems
 The call aims to improve the fundamental understanding
 of key biological and physical drivers and feedbacks in
 Russian Arctic/Boreal system (tundra-taiga-coastal region)
 to enable better representation of these processes in climate models. In particular, proposals should address the
 following issues:
- Improving the understanding and the modelling of permafrost and its impact on the capture, storage and release of GHGs
- The dynamics and drivers of climatically relevant gases in the terrestrial, freshwater and coastal environments

Find out more.

University of East Anglia Visiting Research Fellowships Deadline: November 29

The Sainsbury Research Unit offers two Visiting Research Fellowships in each academic year for the study of the arts of Africa, Oceania and the Americas. Normal duration is three months, coinciding with Autumn and Spring terms. Applications are welcomed from scholars of appropriate standing in such fields of the Humanities and Social Sciences as Anthropology, Art History, Archaeology, History and related disciplines.

Applications are currently invited for the academic year 2014-2015.

Find out more.



Invitation to participate in The Swedish National Research School in Work Science

Labour markets in a Swedish, European and Global perspective (7.5 credits), first half of spring semester 2014 University of Gothenburg

Deadline: December 1

This course is part of the Swedish national research school in work science II managed by Forum för arbetslivsforskning, FALF with funding from the Swedish research council for Health, Working Life and Wellfare (FORTE). In total the research school comprises six courses given once every semester 2013-2015. For more information, see www.falf.se.

The course Labour markets in a Swedish, European and Global perspective is intended for students that want to develop their knowledge and understanding on globalisation and its effects on work and employment relations.

The course starts out from globalisation and the increasing mobility of capital, goods, services and labour. From a global perspective employment patterns in Sweden, in some European countries and in some "new" emerging economies are discussed and analysed. Using Sweden and its development as a reference point, institutions and labour market actors and their different roles are studied. The "Swedish Model" is compared to labour market models in other countries. The course also discusses labour market policies and their effects on (un-) employment, marginalisation and mobility. Different regimes and their consequences for employment conditions are analysed from different theoretical perspectives.

To attract students with experiences of different national systems the course will be given in English*. It is open for doctoral students admitted to a position at Swedish universities. We will strive to admit research students so that there is a spread across universities, gender and scientific disciplines. Doctoral students from outside Gothenburg will have their travel costs paid by The Swedish National Research School in Work Science II. The maximum number of students is 12-15.

The course has three lunch-to-lunch campus meetings at the Department of Sociology and Work Science at the University of Gothenburg in the first half of the spring semester 2014. Campus meetings are on 6-7 February 2014, 25-26 February, and 19-20 March.

How to apply

Use the form found on FALF's homepage (**www.falf.se**). Send application to Tommy Isidorsson no later than 1 December.

Tommy.Isidorsson@socav.gu.se



The University of Michigan and its Center for Afro-American and African Studies invites applications for the Du Bois/Mandela/Rodney postdoctoral fellowship

Deadline: December 1

Applications are welcome from scholars working on Africa and the African Diaspora. This is a residential fellowship for one academic year. The fellowship package is worth US\$45,000 plus health insurance.

Consideration will be given to all disciplines, including the humanities, social sciences, physical sciences and professional schools. Scholars from or who study the Gullah speaking Sea islands, Cape Verde islands, the Anglophone Caribbean, the Canary Islands and Madagascar and/or other less studied areas are especially encouraged to apply.

Applications are accepted from scholars of any nationality who have a PhD in hand and who are no more than five years beyond the completion of their degree. For the 2014-2015 academic year, applicants are required to have earned a PhD no earlier than January 1, 2009 and no later than August 31, 2014.

The next fellowship application period begins September 15, 2013. All application materials are due by December 1 at 5 pm eastern standard time.

Find out more.



Mistra och Forskningsrådet Formas utlyser ett humanistiskt miljöforskningsprogram Sista ansökningsdag: 2 december

The Swedish Foundation for Strategic Environmental Research and the Swedish Research Council for Environment, Agricultural Sciences and Spatial Planning Formas invite applications under their call for a national programme for Environmental Humanities research.

The purpose is to bring about a vigorous national initiative in environmentally oriented humanities, with the ambition of achieving international reference status within a few years. The programme is to be interdisciplinary, with a core of humanities. It will be open to all Swedish higher education institutions and every discipline in the humanities that is studied at Swedish HEIs. The programme may also include disciplines relating to humanities, especially social sciences.

Researchers and organisations outside Sweden are welcome to participate as partners in the application but the principal applicant and planned programme host must be a Swedish institution. Companies and other organisations may take part as partners.

A total of SEK10 million will be available annually for four years. Counterfunding that represents at least 25 per cent of the funds applied for is required. This may be in cash or in kind, and come from the applicants' HEIs or from other stakeholders in the project.

Find out more.



The Cambridge University Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology invites applications under the Frederick Williamson memorial fund

Deadline: March 15

One-year fellowships and grants will be awarded to finance advanced study or research relating to the peoples of Tibet, Bhutan, Sikkim and neighboring Himalayan areas, their society, religion and material culture. Applicants need not be members of the university.

Find out more.

Utlysningsöversikt: »De nya forskarländerna«

Som exempel på framtidens forskarländer brukar man nämna Singapore, Sydkorea, Kina, Indien, Uganda, Kenya och Brasilien. Denna sammanställning av forskningsmöjligheter i de nya forskarländerna har gjorts genom sökningar i utlysningsdatabasen Research Professional; det kan gälla allt från forskningssamarbeten, resor och konferenser till projektbidrag, forskning i eller om landet ifråga, och finansieringen kan komma från Sverige, Europa eller något av de nya länderna.

För mer information.

Utlysningsöversikt: Stöd till nätverk och internationellt samarbet

Forskningsservice vill här bidra till universitetets satsning på internationalisering genom att visa på olika möjligheter till finansiering av nätverksaktiviteter samt internationellt samarbete.

Vi gör inget anspråk på att vara heltäckande, och nya utlysningar tillkommer ständigt, så hittar du inte vad du söker här kan vi starkt rekommendera en egen odyssé i Research Professional, som är helt gratis för alla vid Stockholms universitet. Om du ändå går bet – kontakta Forskningsservice så kan vi diskutera alternativ, sökstrategier, eller göra en sökning.

För mer information.

Utlysningsöversikt: Rese- och konferensbidrag

Forskningsservice vill här bidra till universitetets satsning på internationalisering genom att visa på olika möjligheter att dels ta hit forskare utifrån och dels att själva kunna ta oss ut i världen. Det kan röra sig om att finna medel för att organisera en internationell konferens, för att bjuda in en gästprofessor, eller resa till en institution i fjärran land, kanske presentera dina forskningsresultat vid ett stort möte utomlands – här har vi gjort en översikt över dina möjligheter just nu.

För mer information.

Research funding opportunities at high-ranking international universities

This compilation contains research funding opportunities from universities among the 150 highest ranked universities in the 2013 Leiden ranking (this is based on bibliometric analyses, specifically impact indicators, such as the proportion of the university's publications belonging to the top 10% in their field used here). These are the calls that currently have published deadlines; please note that there are several other calls that either do not have a set deadline date at this time or that have not yet been announced — check Research Professional regularly to keep updated on the calls that match your favorite keywords/ search terms!

Find out more.

Utlysningsbilagan

Forskningsservice samlar i **utlysningsbilagan** aktuella och kommande utlysningar, fr.o.m. september 2013 med deadlines t.o.m. augusti 2015 samt löpande ansökningar.



Sök utlysningar

Research Professional är en internetdatabas med vilken det är möjligt för alla forskare vid Stockholms universitet att hitta aktuella utlysningar av forskningsmedel och resebidrag samt automatiskt bevaka utlysningar av intresse.

SU:s sida med utlysningar SU:s sida med stipendier Lediga anställningar på SU

Seminars, lectures at SU and beyond

Stockholms universitet - Sociologiska institutionen

Onsdagsseminariet/Wednesday Seminars 16 oktober

Viktoria Spaiser

»Dynamical Systems Modelling in Social Science«

30 oktober

Mikaela Sundberg

»Legio Patra Nostra and the Mafias«

SUDA/SPaDE Colloquium Series

Frank Furstenberg (University of Pennsylvania) »The growth of family complexity: Does it matter?«

October 17

October 10

Doreen Huschek (Stockholm University)

»Long-term social and health consequences of a criminal past«

October 24

Ilkka Mäkinen (Södertörn University) and Liuba Borisova (Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences) »Regional population development in Russia: Path dependency and change«

11 oktober, Ahlmannsalen, Geovetenskapens hus Jani Turunen disputerar

»Stepfamily Dynamics in Sweden: Essays on family structure and children's wellbeing«

Opponent är Frank Furstenberg, University of Pennsylvania.

Stockholms universitet - Institutionen för etnologi, religionshistoria och genusvetenskap

Högre seminariet i etnologi 9 oktober

Johanna Lundström Gondouin från Stockholms universitet och Jenny Gunnarsson Payne från Södertörns högskola. Seminarieledare: Fataneh Farahani.

16 oktober

»Analoga möten och digitala representationer – de digitala teknikernas effekter i fågelskådning« Elin Lundquist

Högre seminariet i religionshistoria 15 oktober

Anette Lindberg presenterar ett avhandlingskapitel betitlat "Religionsarkeologins metoder och premisser".

22 oktober

»Att undervisa om religion«

Vi diskuterar religionsundervisning mot bakgrund av Jonathan Z. Smith's nyutkomna bok On Teaching Religion (Chicago University Press, 2013).

Högre genusvetenskapliga seminariet 15 oktober

»Genito-pelvic pain/penetration disorder: Towards a revision of pain and the meanings of sex«. Ulrika Nilsson. Seminarieledare: Hillevi Ganetz.

29 oktober

Christina Alnevall presenterar en text ur sin avhandling.

November 12

Annika Olsson

Seminarieledare: Johanna Gondouin

Queerseminariet

Välkomna till en ny termin med Queerseminariet som den här terminen förvandlas till en läsecirkel där vi tillsammans läser och diskuterar skönlitterära texter från olika tider. Queera läsningar av skönlitteratur har varit en central del av queerteorins framväxt. Vi hoppas att höstens samtal ska handla om och utveckla vår syn på vad det kan innebära att läsa queert. Men det kan också vara ett tillfälle att äntligen ta sig an några av de där böckerna som länge legat i att läsa-högen. För att alla ska hinna läsa har vi begränsat oss till två romaner, en äldre och en mer samtida. Varje gång kommer en inbjuden person att kort rama in texten och inleda samtalet.

19 november, 16.00-18.00

Kvinnogatan (1930) av Agnes von Krusenstjerna. Inledning: Hilda Jakobsson, doktorand i litteraturvetenskap, SU.

23 januari, 16.00-18.00

Släggan och städet (1996) av Christine Falkenland Inledning: Maria Margareta Österholm, fil.dr i litteraturvetenskap, SU.

Stockholms universitet - Statsvetenskapliga institutionen

Allmänna seminariet 9 oktober

Staffan I Lindberg, Göteborgs universitet »Global Standards, Local Knowledge: Varieties of Democracy«

16 oktober

Henric Barkman, Slutseminarium

»Barriärer och broar för hållbar konsumtion: Medborgarkonsumenters engagemang I en institutionell kontext«
Opponenter: Andreas Duit och Maria- Therese Gustafsson

23 eller 24 oktober

David Owen, Southampton »Two Types of Deliberative System«

Gemensamma seminariet i internationella relationer

Forum for Asian Studies



Stockholm University - Institute of Latin American Studies

Öppna föreläsningar October 9

»Global Player Brasil: Antecedentes de uma vocação nacional« Georg Wink é professor de Estudos Portugueses e Brasileiros na Universidade de Copenhaga

October 23

»Violencia sexual como crimen de lesa humanidad« Maria-Luisa Bartholomei es Docente e investigadora del Instituto de Estudios Latinoamericanos, Universidad de Estocolmo, Doctora en Derecho internacional y derechos humanos, Universidad de Lund, y abogada por la Universidad de Córdoba, Argentina.

Stockholms universitet - Kulturgeografiska institutionen



Stockholms universitet - Ekonomisk-historiska institutionen

Högre seminariet

Seminarier med Jill Rubery om värdediskriminering 11 oktober, 9.30-11.45 (fika från kl. 9), OFR, Linnégatan 10, Stockholm

11 oktober, 14.00-16.00, Spelbomskan, Aula Magna

Varför är kvinnodominerade yrken lägre betalda? Väljer kvinnor låglöneyrken eller är vissa yrken osakligt lågt avlönade därför att de flesta som arbetar inom dem är kvinnor? Finns det något som kan kallas "värdediskriminering" i värderingen av kvinnodominerade yrken? Hur går det till? Och vad kan man göra åt det? Det diskuteras vid två seminarier med den framstående brittiska genusforskaren Jill Rubery i Stockholm fredagen den 11 oktober.

På förmiddagen anordnar Nätverket jämställda löner (http://www.njl.nu) och Forskarnätverket jämställda löner ett seminarium om orsakerna till att kvinnodominerade arbeten värderas lägre än mansdominerade och vad som krävs för att bryta mönstret. Representanter från arbetsmarknadens parter och politiken kommenterar. På seminariet avsätts även tid för gruppdiskussion och frågor från deltagarna. Seminariet är kostnadsfritt.

För mer information och anmälan.

På eftermiddagen kl 14-16 hålls ett tvärvetenskapligt forskarseminarium kring samma tema i Spelbomskan, Aula Magna. Till forskarseminariet anmäler du dig senast den 8 oktober men gärna tidigare genom att mejla **Susanne.Fransson@socwork.gu.se**.



Stockholms universitet - FoKult (Forskarskolan i kulturhistoriska studier)

»Intellectual Labor«

Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak

Med efterföljande samtal med Stefan Jonsson 17 oktober, 15.00-18.00, Aula Magna

Gayatri Spivak är litteraturvetare och University Professor vid Columbia University. Hennes första större verk var översättningen av Jacques Derridas Of Grammatology (1976), och hon har senare blivit känd som kritisk feminist, marxist och postkolonial teoretiker med texter som 'Can the Subaltern Speak?' (1988), 'The Politics of Translation' (2003), och böckerna *In Other Worlds* (1987) och *Other Asias* (2005). Hon är känd för att ha myntat begreppet 'strategisk essentialism' och har sedan 1986 varit aktivist i utbildningsfrågor med en egen stiftelse för flickors utbildning i Indien. Föreläsningen följs av ett samtal med Stefan Jonsson, professor i etnicitet vid Linköpings universitet.

För mer information.



ABF Stockholm

9 oktober

Klass, rasism och 1990-talets Sverige Hur formas en som antirasist i ett segregerat klassamhälle fyllt av motsättningar och främlingsfientlighet? Daniel Poohl och Åsa Linderborg

Daniel Poohl, chefredaktör för den antirasistiska tidskriften Expo har i höst debuterat som romanförfattare. Uppväxtskildringen Som om vi hade glömt beskrivs som en berättelse om utanförskap, om en pojkes sökande efter en identitet i ett Sverige där flyktingförläggningar sätts i brand och där en kallblodig mördare riktar lasersiktet mot invandrare. Hur formas en som antirasist i ett segregerat klassamhälle fyllt av motsättningar och främlingsfientlighet? Författaren samtalar om boken med Åsa Linderborg, kulturchef på Aftonbladet.

14 oktober

Barn och segregation

Rädda Barnens måndagsträff: Vilka konsekvenser kan den urbana segregationen ha på barn och ungdomars identiteter? René Leon Rosales

Leon Rosales har i sin avhandling följt en grupp pojkar över tid och berättar här om konsekvenserna som urban segregation kan få för identitetsskapandet hos unga. Han kommer även att beröra vilka utmaningar detta kan innebära för skolor belägna i socioekonomiskt utsatta områden. René Leon Rosales är fil dr i etnologi, och arbetar som forskare och utbildningsansvarig på Mångkulturellt centrum i Fittja.

För mer information.

The Institute for Futures Studies (Institutet för Framtidsstudier)

October 14

»The future of work: the paradox of increased team production and greater inequality in pay in the knowledge economy« Main speaker: Richard B. Freeman

October 18

»Modelling Social Mechanisms for Knowledge Generation & Exploration«

Nanda Wijermans, Stockholm Resilience Centre

October 25

»Trade Unions and Redistributive Politics«
Jonas Pontusson, Department of Political Science, University of Geneva

October 31

»Is the world ready for democracy?«

Welcome to a seminar where we present the newest results from World Values Survey, the world's largest survey on values and cultural changes. The results concern several countries in the Middle East, Africa and Central Asia. This seminar will focus on questions concerning democracy.

Find out more.

Utrikespolitiska institutet

Glömda kriser - medias bevakning och samverkan mellan olika aktörer på plats i en kris 8 oktober

Utrikespolitiska institutet (UI) och Läkare Utan Gränser bjuder in till en diskussion om hur olika aktörer samverkar vid en humanitär kris. Diskussionen tar sin utgångspunkt i en rapport från Läkare Utan Gränser om humanitära kriser som svenskarna har glömt.

Läkare Utan Gränser lät göra en undersökning som visade att svenskarna inte kände till kriser som drabbar miljoner människor. En analys av svenska mediers bevakning av kriser tydde på att de kriser som de flesta svenskar känner till också är de som är mest omskrivna i media.

Med utgångspunkt i dessa slutsatser kommer seminariet att ta upp frågor som varför vissa kriser och katastrofer glöms bort av media, vilka konsekvenser detta får och hur samspelet ser ut mellan de aktörer som åker till en kris för att bevaka den och de hjälporganisationer och räddningsstyrkor som åker dit för att hjälpa befolkningen. Vad gör Läkare Utan Gränser och vad gör MSB? Vilka problem kan uppstå i relationerna mellan dessa aktörer och media? I hur hög utsträckning påverkas hjälpinsatserna av hur stor mediebevakning det blir? Vilka problem kan detta leda

Johan Mast, generalsekreterare för Läkare Utan Gränser i Sverige sedan 2010. Johan Mast har tidigare bland annat arbetat för Folke Bernadotteakademin och varit utsänd på flera utlandsuppdrag för Läkare Utan Gränser.

Johan-Mathias Sommarström, utrikesreporter vid Sveriges Radio. Johan-Mathias Sommarström har arbetat på Sveriges Radio sedan 1995 och är sedan 2008 baserad på

utrikesredaktionen. Han har stor erfarenhet av att bevaka humanitära kriser.

Christian Di Schiena, tillförordnad chef på enheten för insatser vid Myndigheten för Samhällsskydd och Beredskap (MSB). Christian Di Schiena har tidigare arbetat vid FN:s World Food Programme, Räddningsverket och avdelningen för samordning och insats på MSB. Han har varit på insatser i bland annat Irak, Burma, Georgien, Pakistan och Jordanien och är medlem i FN:s Snabbinsatsstyrka för humanitär samordning.

Seminariet modereras av Ylva Johnson, chefredaktör för Utrikespolitiska institutets tidskrift Internationella studier.

För mer information och anmälan.

Uppsala universitet

Uppsala universitet - Institutionen för kulturantropologi och etnologi

October 9

Research Seminar in Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology Viveca Motsieloa

Ethnology and the Postcolonial Field: PhD-thesis Seminar (English), Viveca Motsieloa. Discussant: Daniel Bodén. Chair: Oscar Pripp.

October 16

Research Seminar in Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology David File

Afro-Colombian Identity Formation and Urban Development in Cartagena de Indias (English), David Eile. Chair: Charlotta Widmark.

October 23

Research Seminar in Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology Gabriella Körling and Charlotta Widmark

Thematic Seminar: Metropolises, suburbs and rural towns: Center and Periphery in Urban Studies (English), Gabriella Körling and Charlotta Widmark.

October 30

Research Seminar in Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology Sten Hagberg

Malian Presidential Elections in a Municipality at the outskirts of Bamako (English), Sten Hagberg.

Uppsala universitet - Forum for Africa Studies

Uppsala universitet - Forum för skolan

Uppsala universitet - Den goda staden

8 oktober, 14.15-16.00, 2-2033

Malin Arvidsson (Konstv.) presenterar sin masteruppsats Välkommen till din nya bostad! Vilket bildmaterial och vilka föreställningar påverkar bostadsannonsens struktur

Uppsala universitet - Uppsala Forum for Democracy, Peace and Justice

Uppsala Forum Lecture with Professor Elena Grunt Modernization of higher education in post-communist Russia: pro and contra

October 17, 15.15-17.00, The UCRS-library. the Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Gamla torget 3, 3rd floor

The former Russian(Soviet) five-year higher education system does not meet the demands of modern society. This in the light of current social developments, characterized by global trends impacting contemporary society in regards to both the economic, political and social spheres. Transformation of higher education in modern Russia in the light of social developments entails a number of contradictions, this more so when taking into account the Bologna Declaration and the formation of common European educational standards.

Elena Grunt will during her lecture focus on methodological and theoretical developments as well as new findings in the study of modernization of higher education in post-communist Russia. New theoretical approaches paired with methodological advances goes some way in explaining student core values and attitudes towards higher education in contemporary Russia.

Uppsala Forum Lecture with Professor Marianna Shakhinovich

Anticlericalism in Russia - History and current situation October 22, 15.15-17.00, The UCRS-library, the Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Gamla torget 3, 3rd floor

In her lecture »Anticlericalism in Russia – History and the current situation«, professor Shakhnovich offers an analysis of the current developments in Russia, focusing on the increasingly strengthened cooperation between the state and the Russian Orthodox Church.

The lecture will focus on reaction towards these developments that could be described in terms of anticlericalism. Historical as well as contemporary forms of anticlericalism as a phenomenon will be analyzed and critically evaluated.

Uppsala universitet - CEMUS

Uppsala universitet - Centrum för genusvetenskap

Queerseminariet

14 oktober, 18.00-20.00, Uppsala universitet, campus Engelska parken

Panelsamtal med tema humor

Kan en skämta om allt och i alla sammanhang? Eller är det så att en bara borde få skämta om sin egen grupp? Var går gränserna mellan humor som satir och humor som förtryck? Vilka motståndsstrategier kan en använda för att ge svar på tal i situationer då en upplever att skämt sker på bekostnad av förtryck? Att humor kan fungera som ett vapen har exempelvis en tudelad mening, delvis eftersom det både kan vara en viktig del i marginaliserade gruppers motståndsstrategier och ett medel varigenom majoritetssamhället kan förtrycka och reproducera negativa stereotyper kring de samma. I juli kunde vi även läsa Jonas Gardells artikel i expressen, där han tycks mena att den kritik som väckts mot honom i samband med att han twitterskämtade om islam är del av ett utspritt »humorhat«.

Sett ur ett feministiskt perspektiv relaterar Gardells utspel till den feministiska tänkaren Sara Ahmeds diskussion om den så kallade feministiska glädjedödaren. Ahmed menar bland annat att den som påtalar maktobalanser i exempelvis kontexten humor tenderar att stämplas som just arg och humorlös. I juli kunde vi samtidigt läsa Lawen Mohtadis viktiga och konstruktiva bemötande av Gardells artikel och skämt om islam, som Mohtadi bland annat menar saknar finess och förtrolighet med ämnet han skämtat om. Mot denna bakgrund är det planerade seminariet kring humor tänkt att med utgångspunkt i kritiska perspektiv på maktstrukturer kopplat till rasifiering, kön, nation, sexualitet, funktionalitet, religion, klass och ålder et. cetera lyfta breda frågor med fokus på glidningarna mellan humor som satir och humor som förtryck.

Moderator är Signe Bremer, fil dr i etnologi och forskare vid Uppsala universitets centrum för genusvetenskap.

Panelen består av:

- Anna Lundberg: Lärare och forskare vid Tema Genus, Linköpings universitet. Hon disputerade 2008 med den feministiska avhandlingen "Allt annat än allvar. Den komiska kvinnliga grotesken i svensk samtida skrattkultur". För närvarande bedriver hon två forskningsprojekt kring intersektionalitet och scenkonst för unga.
- Anna Melanie Pirata Stendin: Är en av personerna bakom projektet "Svar på tal", aktivist, pedagog och mekaniker som under senaste åren jobbat via förskolan, lokalorganisering och föräldraskap för ungas rättigheter.
- Jojo Ramey Louis: Är en av personerna bakom projektet "Svar på tal", transaktivist, låtskrivare och hundperson som på dagtid projektleder ungdomsprojekt inom en HBTQ-organisation.
- Tobias Hübinette: Forskare vid Mångkulturellt centrum. I sin forskning har han framför allt ägnat sig åt framställningar och föreställningar om asiater och andra minoriteter i svensk samtidskultur i relation till så kallad gulinghumor och rashumor.

För mer information.

Uppsala universitet - Hugo Valentin-Centrum

10 oktober, 18.15-19.45

Föreläsning: Livet i Jiddischland

Susanne Sznajderman-Rytz, språkvetare/lingvist, utbildad vid Göteborgs universitet, och har representerat jiddisch i Minoritetsspråkskommittén

23 oktober, 18.15-19.45

Föreläsning: Roma: Explaining today through history. Professor Ian F Hancock is a linguist and director for Program of Romani Studies and the Romani Archives and Documentation Center at The University of Texas at Austin, USA.



Linköping University - REMESO

October 9

Gästseminarium Muhamed Amin, gästforskare vid REMESO och doktorand vid University of Ottowa, Kanada

»Welcome« to Europe! Migration and Asylum Films as an Alternative Medium to Discuss the European Asylum Crisis and its Impact on the Emergence of a European Public Sphere«

October 11

Disputation Caroline Tovatt

Caroline Tovatt disputerar på avhandlingen »Erkännandets Janusansikte: Det sociala kapitalets betydelse i arbetslivskarriärer«. Fakultetsopponent: Lennart Svensson, professor emeritus, Institutionen för sociologi och arbetsvetenskap, Göteborgs universitet.

October 16

Avhandlingsseminarium (60%) Jennie K Larsson Prel. titel: »Förvaltningens många ansikten - om individers roll i implementeringen av integrationspolitik«

October 23

Avhandlingsseminarium (60%) Viktor Vesterberg Preliminär avhandlingstitel: »Targeting unemployed people with a foreign background - Ehnicized un/employability and problematized Others«

October 30

REMESO gästseminarium med Michael McEachrane: »Deracializing Human Dignity«
Michael McEachrane, fil.dr. i filosofi och forskare presenterar sin aktuella forskning.

Find out more.

Linköping University - Tema Genus

October 9

Mini-Symposium »History Revisited«

Pia Laskar (LiU), »Roma as gender marked sexual counter images in novels«

Wera Grahn (LiU), »Intersectionality and the construction of heritage«

Marie-Louise Holm (LiU), »Queering temporalities in historical writing and life stories of body modifications«



Lunds universitet - Sociologiska institutionen

Forskning på gång

8 oktober

Vesa Leppänen inleder om ett nytt projekt om arbetets betydelser och arbetsbyte inom handeln, vilket genomförs tillsammans med Ann-Mari Sellerberg och finansieras av Handelns utvecklingsråd under 2013-2015.

15 oktober

»Fosterland, familj och födslotal« Tova Höjdestrand diskuterar familjevärderingar, homofobi och kravet på moralisk upprustning i dagens Ryssland.

22 oktober

»Film, identitet och minnesarbete i argentinska Chaco« Anne Gustavsson diskuterar den etnografiska metodens Möjligheter i studiet av digital repatriering av museiföremål.

5 november

»Freak i tidoch rum: från monster till sexy«
Hanna Wittrock's presentation handlar om begreppet och
fenomenet »freak«. Hur kommer det sig att »the freak« har
utvecklats från att beteckna ett avvikande och stigmatiserat
objekt till att framstå som ett lockande ideal?

Find out more.

Conferences at SU and beyond

marx2013: Klass Kris Kritik Kapitalism 19-20 oktober, ABF-huset, Stockholm

Karl Marx samhällsanalys har sedan finanskrisen 2008 kommit att åberopas av allt fler, till och med av borgerliga ekonomer, för att förstå den kris som drabbat världsekonomin. Vad kan Marx analys och systemkritik erbjuda för att förstå dagens samhälle i övrigt? På konferensen marx2013 medverkar ett antal framstående internationella samhällsforskare och såväl svenska som utländska forskare diskuterar betydelsen av Marx teorier för att förstå dagens samhällsutveckling, ekonomi och kultur, med fokus på begrepp som klass, kris, kritik och kapitalism.

Marx 2013 arrangeras i gränslandet mellan aktivism och akademi. Radikala politiska ansatser har alltid uppstått ur och växelverkat med radikal filosofi och samhällsvetenskap. Under de senaste trettio åren har radikal samhällsvetenskap ofta bedrivits med andra förtecken (postkolonial, Foucault, queer, genus, cultural studies) än den tidigare tongivande traditionen av forskning grundad på Marx och marxismens teorier. Dessa mer sentida teorier har inte sällan utvecklats genom en kritik av marxismen och lämnat viktiga bidrag. Mot denna bakgrund ställer marx 2013 frågan om möjligheten av en mer radikal systemkritik i dag.

Huvudtalare är Gérard Duménil (Frankrike), John Bellamy Foster (USA), Wolfgang Fritz Haug (Tyskland), Michael Heinrich (Tyskland) och Anne Steckner (Tyskland). Under konferensen hålls runt 30 akademiska seminarier, paneldiskussioner och föredrag på konferensens tema klass, kris, kritik och kapitalism.

Inledande anförande av Nina Björk och Tiina Rosenberg. Som föreläsare, deltagare i paneler och som paper-presentatörer medverkar bland andra: Irene Molina, Kajsa Ekis Ekman, Roland Paulsen, Mats Lindberg (f.d. Dahlkvist), Rasmus Fleischer, Johan Fornäs, Donald Broady, Sven-Olov Wallenstein, Andreas Malm – plus en rad andra forskare och debattörer.

För mer information.

Antiziganism – What's in a word?

The Uppsala International Conference on the Discrimination, Marginalization and Persecution of Roma October 23–25, Higo Valentin-Centrum, Uppsala universitet

The international conference "Antiziganism – What's in a Word?" will take place at Uppsala University and the Hugo Valentin Centre in October 2013. The main purpose of the conference is to discuss definitions, concepts and methods connected to the study of antiziganism, a research area that was rarely approached systematically before 1990. In the conference's core seminar, leading scholars in the field will partake in a common discussion of what directions will be necessary to follow for the future development of the research area.

A number of side seminars will be devoted to aspects such as art and memory work, border controls, gender/sex and sexuality, and intersectional perspectives.

The call for papers and sessions has now expired, and a preliminary program was published here below in August, with updates coming up until the beginning of the conference. The conference is still open for, and encourages, participants who will not present any paper. Please contact us by way of the address rorhin@valentin.uu.se. We welcome students. This possibility will be open until 23 October.

Find out more.

ASA14: Anthropology and Enlightenment June 19-22 2014, The Surgeons' Hall, Nicolson Street, Edinburgh

Deadline: October 27

The conference theme, Anthropology and Enlightenment, takes its inspiration from the tradition of the Scottish Enlightenment. This was a time of intellectual optimism and experimentation, of polymaths and autodidacts who were not afraid to address the widest and most fundamental questions of what it is to be human. Above all, the Scottish Enlightenment was a milieu rather than a school, a world of public argument, rather than a canonical set of texts. Through our choice of theme we aim to rekindle the spirit that gave birth to the discipline of anthropology, yet in a manner and an idiom appropriate to the contemporary era, by combining historical reflection with an exploration of anthropology's relations with other disciplines, including philosophy, political economy, theology, history, architecture, medicine, law, agriculture and even sociology. Papers and panels will form the basis of the programme and will address current interdisciplinary strands, each of which could potentially be aligned with, and identified by, a key work from the Scottish Enlightenment:

- Time, Earth and Cosmos
- Health and Wealth
- Natural Religion
- Human / Nature
- Beauty, Order, Harmony and Design
- Moral Sentiments

In addition there will be a series of other events, including special named lectures, fringe sessions, tours and much more.

Find out more.

"Africa in the Global South: biographies of mobility and aspirations of success"

Frankfurt, May 15-17 2014 Deadline: October 30/December

The AEGIS thematic confrence is organized jointly by the Centre for Interdisciplinary African Studies at the Goethe University of Frankfurt and the Centre for the Study of Contemporary Africa at the University of Naples "L'Orientale".

South-south connections between Africa and other regions of what has come to be known as the Global South have

existed for centuries, but, since the end of the Cold War, new patterns of interaction have emerged. As many recent studies evidenced, in fact, countries such as China, India and Brazil play today a highly influential role in defining emerging political, economic and cultural scenarios throughout the African continent. However, beyond the macro-narratives about new forms of south-south political and economic engagement that this geopolitical landscape has generated, a much less investigated universe of interactions, transactions and movements of people, objects, stories and ideas successfully proliferates. This conference intends to explore this arena through the stories of individual actors, goods and enterprises whose activities or pathways are defined by south-south itineraries and connections, with a specific focus on the past two decades. We suggest looking at concrete case studies that investigate the perspective of the local actors and their motivations in directing their activities either from Africa to other parts of the Global South or from there towards Africa.

What is, for instance, the biography of a Nigerian trader who lives in Hong Kong? What brought him there, and how did he manage to create his own trading business in that context? And what is the experience of a young Malian student who got a scholarship to study in Bejing? What is the story of those Chinese students that live, for instance, in the campus of the University of Lagos, or that of those Indian media entrepreneurs that got involved in the emerging Ethiopian film industry? What, for example, is the itinerary that brought Brazilian and Mexican soap operas to dominate most of African screens, and how did such a capillary penetration happen? And what brought that Malaysian media company to decide, in the 1990s, to buy the Ghana Film Industry Corporation?

What business plan was behind that move and what economic, social and cultural impact did it have? By putting together contributions that adopt this perspective, this conference intends to:

- draw a vivid portrait of the existing geography of southsouth interactions;
- produce a thick description of how countries of the Global South mutually relate and interconnect, taking into account the concerns and aspirations of local actors;
- look at globalization from a vantage point that goes beyond the established center-periphery dichotomy;
- further the understanding of Africa's positioning in the Global South.

The organizers invite scholars working in areas related to the theme of this conference to submit an abstract (no more than 500 words) and a short CV. Scholars whose abstracts have been selected will be asked to turn in first drafts of their paper by the 15th of April for circulation among the participants. A limited number of funds is available to support the participation of scholars coming from African universities.

Please address your abstracts and inquiries to Ute Röschenthaler (Frankfurt) (Ute.Roeschenthaler@normativeorders.net) and Alessandro Jedlowski (Naples/Liege) (alessandro.jedlowski@gmail.com).

The deadline for scholars based at AEGIS member institutions is 30 October 2013. There will be a second deadline in December 2013 for the submission of abstracts from other researchers.

Power Geometries of/in Motion:

An International Symposium on (Im)Mobilities, New Media and Social Distinction.

Karlstad University, Sweden, December 5-6

Deadline: November 1

As indicated by much research over the last few decades, power geometries of space and place have become increasingly mobile, fluid and mediatized. Such concepts as network capital, mobility capital and cosmopolitan capital all point to the socially distinctive, and increasingly complex, role of mobility and media practices, as well as to the contestation of modern demarcations, ranging from domestic territories and the private sphere to the nation state. The amalgamation of mobile (trans) media technologies and infrastructures with virtually all forms of mobility today (from corporeal habits of exercise and strolling to global migration and mass tourism) sustains new modes of connectivity and expressivity, which potentially set power geometries in motion.

The symposium focuses on power-geometries of/in motion, that is, the dialectics of "spaces of flows" and "spaces of places", and new media as a key dimension of social distinction in our times. The symposium will scrutinize these dynamics in an interdisciplinary manner, in order to get a sense of how power, privilege and forms of socio-cultural dominance today are played out through mobilities/mediations at different scales and in various contexts, ranging from the classified/classifying spatialities of everyday interaction to the global distribution of technological wealth. In particular, we seek deeper, situated understandings of the interplay between micro-processes of social distinction and the (re)production of global power geometries.

Send your abstract to Associate Prof. Mekonnen Tesfahuney: mete@kau.se

Det ifrågasatta arbetet Arbetets museum, 7-8 november

Måste vi verkligen arbeta så mycket? Vilka jobb är inte okej? Konferensen handlar om meningsskapande, värderingar och arbete. Hur ser arbetsmönstren egentligen ut och hur förhåller sig det synliggjorda arbetet till det som inte syns? Vilka mekanismer påverkar hur arbete värderas och att vissa arbeten osynliggörs? Vilka yrken och arbeten ifrågasätts idag, och hur har detta förändrats över tid?

Genom att belysa normer kring arbete och vårt sätt att värdera arbete, hur det genomsyrar både samhälls- och individnivå, vill vi i denna konferens diskutera tämligen förgivettagna samhällsmål och fundera över hur samhällsproblem formuleras i relation till dessa.

Konferensen arrangeras av Arbetets museum och Rådet för yrkeshistorisk forskning, i samarbete med Institutet för social forskning (SOFI) vid Stockholms universitet. Konferensen är avgiftsfri tack vare stöd från Forskningsrådet för arbetsliv och socialvetenskap (FAS).

För mer information kontakta Johanna Övling, johanna. **ovling@arbetetsmuseum.se**, 011-23 17 13.

För mer information.

Regime Change and the Participation of Women in Decision-Making

Tunis, December 7-8 Deadline: November 20

The international research collaboration project: New Avenues for Political Influence for Women in the Arab Region? organizes at research symposium in Tunis, Tunisia, Dec. 7-8. 2013, entitled "Regime Change and the Participation of Women in Decision-Making". The project can pay for 4 Swedish/Nordic scholars to attend the conference, provided they give a paper.

The aim of the symposium is to further international research collaboration between Nordic and Arab scholars studying women in public life in times of change. The dramatic changes in the MENA region call for further studies of the position and participation of women in the processes of change. The symposium will look at a number of related themes: Regime change and women's political influence; changes in women's legal right to participate; women's actual inclusion or lack of inclusion in political decision-making at various levels; political activism among immigrant women; new forms of political participation through demonstration, activism in the social media etc.; actions against the harassment of women in public life; changing discourses about women's position in public life; Islamic feminism. The papers should be written in English or French (8-10.000 words). The language of the conference is English with simultaneous translation into Arabic.

Participants: 10-12 invited paper-givers, 4 from the Nordic countries, and 5-7 from the MENA region. The invited scholars will deliver original papers, which will constitute the foundation for the common book project (which will also include some of the papers from the first conference in Stockholm, January 2013).

The invited scholars are invited to send their papers before the 20th of November 2013 to **drude.dahlerup@statsvet**.

The symposium will be open for app. 30 additional scholars, practitioners and media. The project pays all expenditures for the paper givers, but all other participants are expected to pay for their own travel and accommodation.

Find out more.



Joint Nordic Focus on Research Infrastructure - Looking to the

November 27-28, Scandic Hotell Hasselbacken, Stockholm

The Nordic Council of Ministers, the Swedish Ministry of Education and Research, NordForsk and the Swedish Research Council invite you to a conference on Nordic Cooperation on Research Infrastructures.

The conference Joint Nordic Focus on Research Infrastructure - Looking to the Future will span a wide range of topics, all related to planned and existing large scale research facilities in the Nordic countries. It is aimed both at research leaders and policy makers.

Find out more and how to register.

Austere Histories Social Exclusion and the Erasure of Colonial Memories in European Societies 28-29 november, 2013. Arbetets museum, Norrköping

I höst arrangerar REMESO, Institutet för forskning om migration, etnicitet och samhälle vid Linköpings universitet, ett internationellt symposium om sambandet mellan åtstramningspolitiken i dagens Europa och en starkare betoning av nationella och europeiska normer i historieskrivningen och kulturarvsinstitutionerna. I fokus för symposiet står relationen mellan två fenomen. Det handlar å ena sidan om dagens åtstramningspolitik i ett Europa i kris, med skärpta migrationslagar, exkluderande arbetsmarknadspolitik, krympt social ansvarstagande och hårdare diskriminering av invandrare och minoriteter. Det är en utveckling som i sin tur hotar att urholka demokratins institutioner och medborgerliga rättigheter.

Å andra sidan skönjer vi hur minoriteter och migranter, deras historier och kulturella minnen marginaliseras i historieskrivning och kulturdebatt. En mer heroiserande och homogen bild av den egna nationen liksom av Europa och västvärlden betonas ofta. Nationalistiska perspektiv väcks till liv och många pläderar för en normativ kosmopolitanism där Europa står som global modell. Vad som går förlorat i denna process är bilden av den europeiska historiens mångfald och komplexitet, migranternas och minoriteternas minnen, liksom medvetenheten om de imperialistiska system som präglat kontinentens kultur. Vid symposiet medverkar en rad framstående forskare som ska undersöka sambanden mellan åtstramningen av politik och ekonomi (vad som i den engelskspråkiga världen kallas "politics" of austerity") och en framväxande auktoritär historiesyn där mångkulturalismen, minoriteternas kollektiva minnen och kolonialismens arv görs osynliga.

Huvudföreläsare:

- Nicolas Bancel, Universitetet i Lausanne, Schweiz.
- Gurminder K Bhambra, The University of Warwick, Storbritannien.
- Manuela Boatca, Freie Universität, Berlin, Tyskland
- Nacira Guénif-Souilamas, Université de Paris VIII, Frankrike.
- Peo Hansen, REMESO, Linköpings universitet, Sverige.
- Lars Jensen, Universitetet i Roskilde, Danmark
- Nicola Labanca, Università degli Studi di Siena, Italien.
- Gert Oostindie, Universitetet I Leiden, Nederländerna
- Robbie Shilliam, Queen Mary, University of London, Storbritannien

Initiativtagare och vetenskapligt ansvarig är Professor Stefan Jonsson, REMESO. Symposiets språk är engelska. Avgiften för deltagande är 500 SEK för de som arbetar vid statliga institutioner och 625 SEK (inklusive skatt) för övriga. I deltagaravgiften ingår lunch, kaffe och kakor båda dagarna, samt reception på Norrköpings rådhus, torsdag kväll. För registrering och information om betalning gå till: http://sleipner.isv.liu.se/event/

För övriga frågor kontakta Julia Willen: julia.willen@liu.se



Network for applied anthropology

The network provides a platform for sharing information, experience and discussions regarding the applications of anthropology. It attempts to become the main European network for scientists and practitioners who believe that anthropological theories, approaches, methods and skills can also be used beyond academic boundaries — to solve problems in practice. The network focuses on the transfer of anthropological knowledge to private and public sectors and to profit and non-profit organisations. Some fields of interests of the network's members include business anthropology, design anthropology, organisational anthropology, anthropology of work, applied educational anthropology, tourism, policy-making, anthropological consulting, etc. The network is collaborating in an upcoming event:

Why the world needs anthropologists - new fields for anthropology in Europe November 29, Amsterdam

Find out more.

CASA 2014 Hiroshima, Japan March 17-18, 2014 Deadline: December 15

The Conference on Anthropology & Sustainability in Asia is a biennial event. CASA 2014 will provide a two-day interdisciplinary platform for scholars, researchers, policymakers, entrepreneurs, students, and practitioners. Selection of Hiroshima as the venue site provides the ideal backdrop for a conference that will draw researchers and scholars from around Asia to discuss the importance of anthropology in regards to the CASA 2014 theme: Anthropological Perspectives on Holistic Sustainability.

Under the theme of Anthropological Perspectives on Holistic Sustainability, CASA 2014 welcomes submissions from the following areas:

- Cultural Sustainability
- Social Sustainability
- Political Sustainability
- Economic Sustainability
- Archaeology and Sustainability
- Linguistic Sustainability
- Biological Sustainability
- Other areas (Please specify)

Sustainability is a term of recent origin with widespread contemporary saliency. In its popular use, sustainability tends to focus mostly on issues of natural environment. The lens of environmental sustainability raises questions such as:

- Can the natural world recover from damage caused by human activity at a rate faster than the damage is done?
- Is the use of natural resources at a rate that is compatible with their regeneration?
- What changes in human practice can lead to long-term availability of necessary natural resources?

This conference considers the contributions that anthropology can make to expanding the horizons of sustainability.

Find out more.

The Fiscal State and Social Citizenship II: Theorizing tax avoidance from socio-cultural perspectives Deadline: January 15, 2014

We call for abstracts to the second workshop on The Fiscal State and Social Citizenship taking place March 13-14, 2014 in Linköping. Our aim is to continue the fruitful discussion initiated in the first workshop in spring 2013 at Umeå University and the diverse research routes there laid out. In this second workshop we broaden the focus to include theorizing tax avoidance from socio-cultural perspectives. For inspiration we have two key note speakers that have contributed widely to establish the field internationally:

- Bill Maurer, Professor of Anthropology, UC Irvine
- Lynne Oats, Professor of Taxation and Accounting, University of Exeter

Another inspiration will be a panel discussion on tax avoidance with participants offering diverse theoretical views and angles: Steven Sampson, Professor in Anthropology, Lund University and Hans Sjögren, Professor of Economic History, Linköping University are already confirmed and in addition there will be a representative from the Swedish Tax Agency and a legal scholar. Moderator Åsa Gunnarsson.

In this call for abstracts we invite scholars, practitioners and activists interested in the issue of taxation, tax avoidance and their socio-cultural impact. Please send an abstract of max. 300 words to **FC-2014@liu.se** no later than January 15, 2014.

Taxes do not only provide economic funding for infrastructure, welfare, and defense but its mere existence raises seemingly eternal political and moral questions in society. Fiscal issues are as topical as they ever were, yet so utterly differently debated in diverse countries.

The Nordic countries provide in this perspective an interesting field for study. The taxes are by international comparison high and so is tax payers' compliance. The Nordic tax collecting agencies work actively to enhance compliance and do not only perform their fiscal duties, but aim to convey a role in society that is more encompassing with a moral message. This can be exemplified with their mottos and mission on each website. VERO, the Finnish tax agency has a collective aim that "the Finnish welfare is created hand in hand", in Denmark SKAT states that they "secure a just and efficient financing of our future public sector", the Norwegian Skatteeaten has the goal "to secure the welfare states funding". The Swedish Tax Agency boldly emphasises that "our vision is a society where everybody wants to do the right thing" or perhaps more specifically "do one's fair share. Their quest for minimizing tax faults is very important for the Tax Agencies legitimacy in each society.

In contrast to these governmental fiscal endeavors, there are many examples of people, corporations, organizations and also municipalities that minimize, avoid and evade paying taxes. These strategies and practices and their impact on society in diverse empirical contexts is the subject for this workshop. Corporations are invariably profit-seeking, and thereby aim to minimize costs. Still, businesses apply many different strategies in regards to taxes: from law-abiding planning to the more ethically questionable deferral schemes involving so-called tax paradises. People also apply various means and morals towards their tax paying strategies. Incomes taxes are for the employed difficult to avoid, but there are various ways to avoid consumption taxes such as buying work off the books, deduct costs of various sorts, and even involvement in straight out economic crimes. By analyzing the actors' strategies and practices that

violate the governmental agendas, we welcome contributions that shed light on the relationships between cultural aspects, economic institutions, and political responsibility. Examples of research questions

- Who occupy this void beyond the moral and 'right' tax paying entities? What implications do the creation, interpretation, and practices of tax laws have on everyday life? What effects does tax evasion have on behavioral patterns, social relations, normative standards and institutional framework?
- Are there circumstances when tax avoidance is made licit? If so, who make them licit? What strategies do exist; both to avoid taxes and to stop the avoidance, and what impact do they have? Does perceived taxpayer behavior affect cultural attitudes toward tax-evasion? Do these values differ between nations as well as between social groups, or between urban and rural areas, and why is this the case? What values make citizens comply with in order to avoid paying diverse type of taxes?
- How does lobbying and remittance institutions impact the creation of new tax laws? As an overall question what is the impact of tax cheating on democracy and sovereignty?

Åsa Gunnarson, Professor of Law **Lotta Björklund Larsen**, PhD