11th InASEA Conference in Prishtina, Kosova
19-22 September 2024

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"In, out and in between". Transnational and internal migration in Southeast Europe

Call for Papers/Panels

Migration is a continuously evolving process in Southeastern Europe, deeply intertwined with regional, international and global transformations. Along with ongoing uncertainties, these developments give rise to new cultural dynamics, political imaginings and social realities for both migrants and host countries' societies. Dynamics of both international and internal migration seen from inter- and multi-disciplinary perspectives and intersectional approaches are the core topic of the 11th InASEA conference that will take place in Prishtina, Kosova from 19-22 September 2024.

Anthropology of migration explores the emergence and transformation of transnational and translocal social fields and networks. It delves into the flow of people, capital, information, technology, ideas and practices, including social and economic remittances. Anthropological lenses also examine the intricate forms of belonging and identities that arise and shift in response to migration. These categories are also examined within diaspora studies, which have been expanded in its manifold historical and current contexts over the years. While the region as a whole is affected by strong outward migration, relationships with the region of origin often persist. At the same time, Southeastern Europe has also become a region of immigration for workers and entrepreneurs and a transit region for refugees trying to cross Schengen borders. While some migrants return "home" for summer vacations, others live in between their country of origin and the host country, either feeling they belong to both "homes" or belonging to none. The multiple migratory experiences of "in, out, or in between" have given rise to different fluid and hybrid identities and a longing for locality and localization that require detailed examination. Migration encompasses both hope and fear as it holds the promise of a better future while simultaneously exposing migrants to the often-perilous uncertainty of border crossings. Therefore, migration intersects with border studies, an important relation particularly in light of EU policies and politics.

Over the past few decades, Southeast Europe has undergone significant demographic changes resulting from internal and external migratory factors. The fall of communism, political and economic insecurities, and the conflicts of the 1990s in Yugoslavia led to massive population displacements and prompted varied coping strategies in different phases of transition. Understanding these causes and effects of in- and out-migration is of paramount importance not only for researchers but also for policymakers, as it informs decisions related to population and public policies.

In light of these compelling dynamics, we invite scholars from social and cultural anthropology, ethnology, sociology, history, folklore studies and related disciplines to explore the multifaceted world of international and internal migration and diaspora in Southeast Europe through an intersectional lens. We invite you to submit abstracts for papers or panels addressing various aspects of migration in Southeast Europe, embracing a range of themes, including but not limited to those detailed below.

- Migration and socio-economic dynamics
- Ethnicity, minority and migration
- Forced migration, expulsion and redemption
- Migration, remittances and entrepreneurship
- Diaspora politics and return migration
- New immigration, migration politics and cultural adaptation
- Postmigration in sending and receiving countries
- Transnational spaces and cultures
- Gender, age, generation and migration
- Migration and demography
- Transnational individuals, families and communities
- Internal migration, depopulation and urbanisation
- Tourism and migration
- Migration, social cohesion and (dis)integration
- New approaches and concepts in migration studies
- Seasonal, circular and temporal migration within and out SEE-past and present
- (Prohibited) Migration during the Cold War and its impact in SEE countries
- SEE as refugee route after 2010

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Submission guidelines

Please submit an abstract for paper or a panel, to inasea2024@uni-pr.edu
For paper submission: an abstract with no more than 300 words and a short biography (no more than 100 words).

For panel submission: title of the panel, names of panellists (no more than four panellists per panel), abstracts of each panellist (no more than 300 words), and their short biographies (no more than 100 words).

Submission deadline: 15th February 2024
Notification for acceptance: 30th April 2024

Travel and Accommodation

The conference organizers will cover travel and accommodation costs for participants from Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Greece, North Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, and Turkey.

Registration Fee

InASEA members who have paid their dues for the last two years are exempt from the registration fee. Non-InASEA members and non-paying members will be asked to pay an on-site registration fee equivalent to 25 € for participants from Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Greece, Kosovo, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, and Turkey; or 50 € for participants from all other countries.

Publication of Papers

After a peer review process, a selection of conference papers will be published in InASEA's journal *Ethnologia Balkanica*.