



### **3<sup>rd</sup> INTH network Conference: “Place and Displacement: The Spacing of History”**

**Stockholm, August 20<sup>th</sup>–22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018**

#### **Call for papers**

The International Network for Theory of History (INTH) is happy to announce that its third network conference will take place in Stockholm from August 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, at Södertörn University. The goal of the conference is to gather theorists and philosophers of history from around the world and to offer a forum for scholars to exchange ideas, questions and resources.

Recent years have seen a tragic combination of increasing levels of forced migration and a rise of isolationist nationalist and religious identity politics. The 3<sup>rd</sup> INTH conference will address these issues through the overarching theme of place and displacement and the shaping of the spaces of history and memory.

History is often used to claim the specific identity of places, delimit or contest certain territories, and undergird politics of spatial in- and exclusion. Spatial politics also tend to orient how and from what perspective the past is represented. Migration and spatial dislocation can profoundly change the way people relate to history and memory. The politics and historicity of space is an emerging domain where theory of history, history and philosophy, critical cultural geography, political science, urban and memory studies come together to explore a common territory. Ultimately, it motivates a critical examination of the fields of knowledge production and transmission: To what extent are particular histories and philosophies of history not only *place-based* but also *place-bound* in their truth-claims? How can we capture the transnational interconnectedness and *place-making* dynamics of histories from migrating, multidirectional memories? And which kinds of history writing and history education are best equipped to respond to the challenges of global migration and multicultural societies? To what extent do histories not just ‘take place’ but also always ‘make place’ by changing these places and the way they are experienced?

#### **Topics**

The main focus of this conference is on place and displacement and its relevance for the theory of history. But as in the previous meetings of the INTH, we also welcome papers on other relevant topics in the field of Philosophy and Theory of History, including (but not necessarily limited to):

- Conceptual history
- Ethics of history
- Experience/presence

- Hermeneutics
- Historical (in)justice
- Historical time
- History and mourning/trauma
- History as science (causation, explanation, lawfulness ...)
- Narrativism
- Politics of history and memory
- Public/popular history
- Substantive/speculative philosophy of history
- The history of historiography
- The relations between history and other academic fields

Through the collaboration with the Centre for Baltic and East European Studies (CBEES), there will also be special panels devoted to topics in the Theory of history with connection to Eastern Europe and Russia.

#### **Confirmed speakers:**

Joan W. Scott  
 Jeff Malpas  
 Victoria Collis-Buthelezi  
 Jo Guldi  
 Marek Tamm  
 Susanne Rau  
 Michael Rothberg  
 Yasemin Yildiz

#### **Practical information**

Those interested in taking part in the conference are asked to send in abstracts of 300-500 words either in docx or pdf format to [inthstockholm@gmail.com](mailto:inthstockholm@gmail.com), by January 2nd, 2018. Please name your file following this structure: Surname\_Title of the abstract

We will consider both proposals for panel sessions and individual papers. Panel proposals should preferably include a commentator and a chair. Please send the overall panel proposal and individual papers in the same application (all following the 300-500 words limit per paper).

Please visit the conference website: <http://www.inth.ugent.be/conference> for further information.

The local organizing committee is led by Prof. Hans Ruin, and the conference secretary is Phd. Gustav Strandberg. Please use the conference email address for all correspondence. The meeting is made possible with generous support from and collaboration with CBEES and the Baltic Sea Foundation.

