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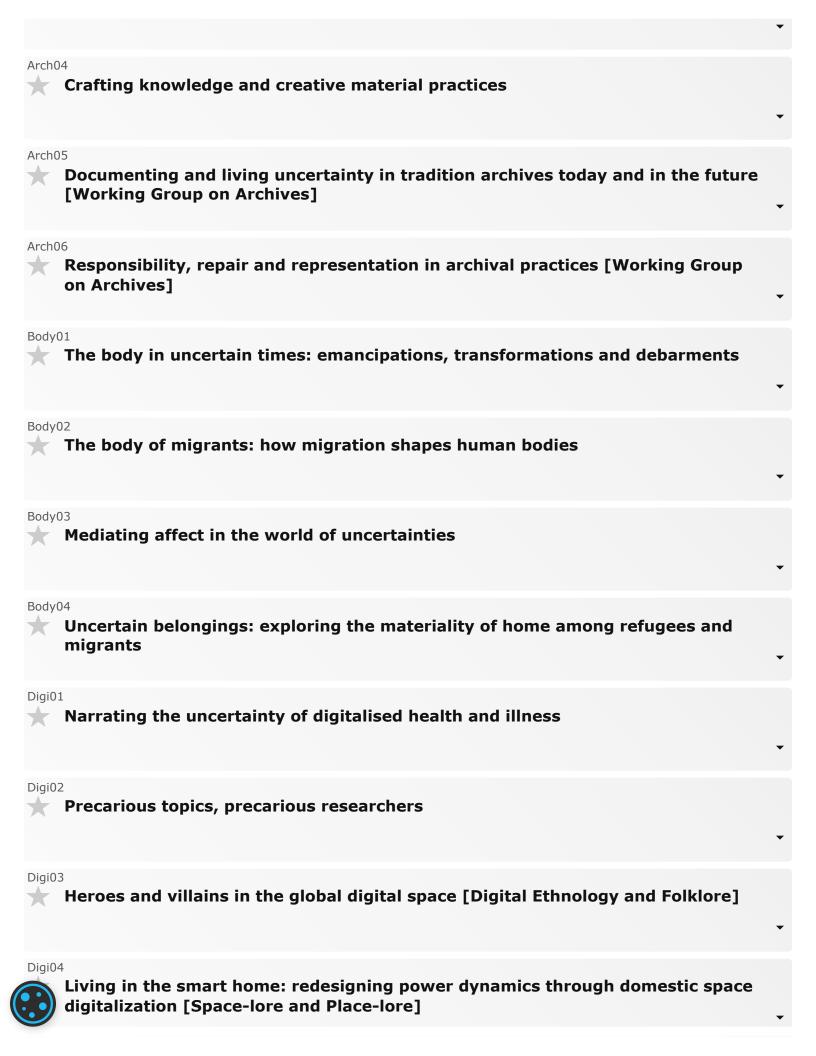
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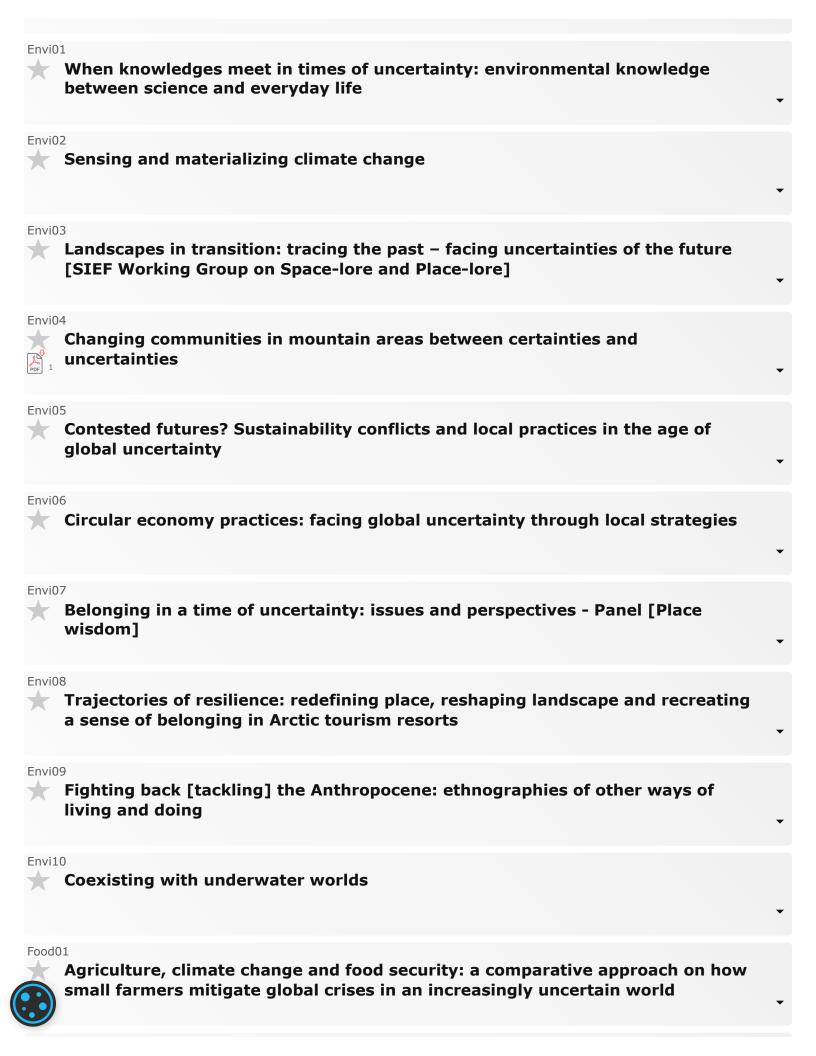


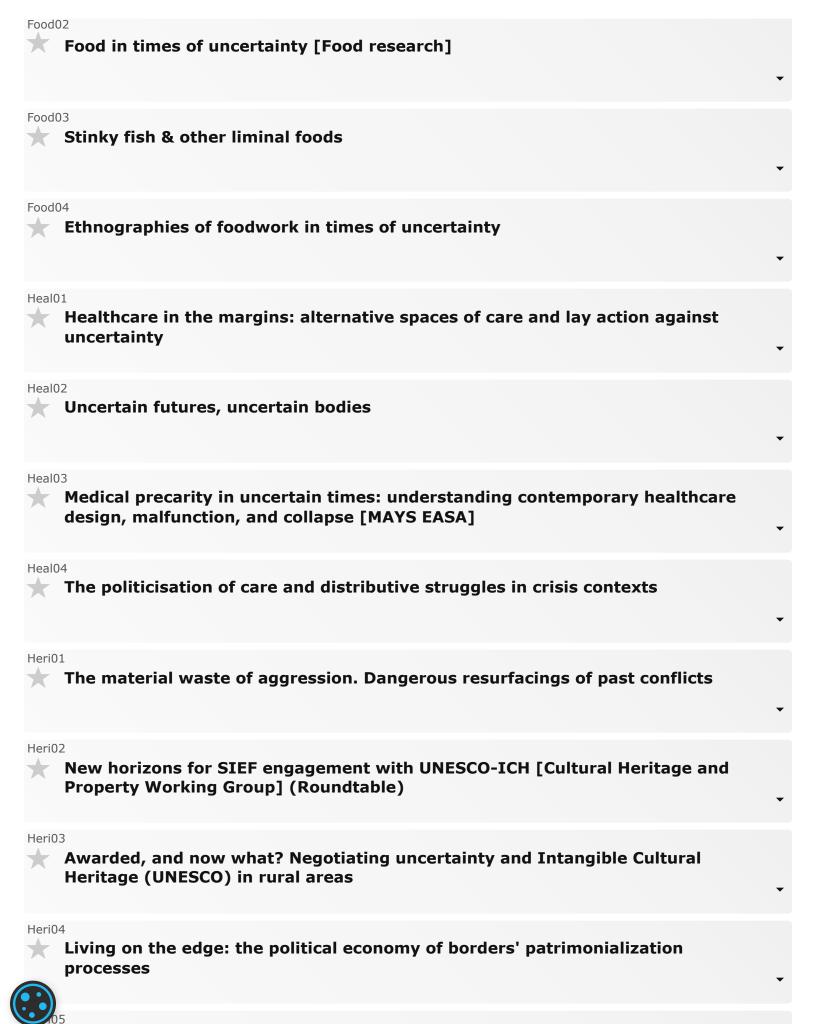
(In-)significant stuff. Museums and meaning-making in times of uncertainty [Working Group of Museums and Material Culture]

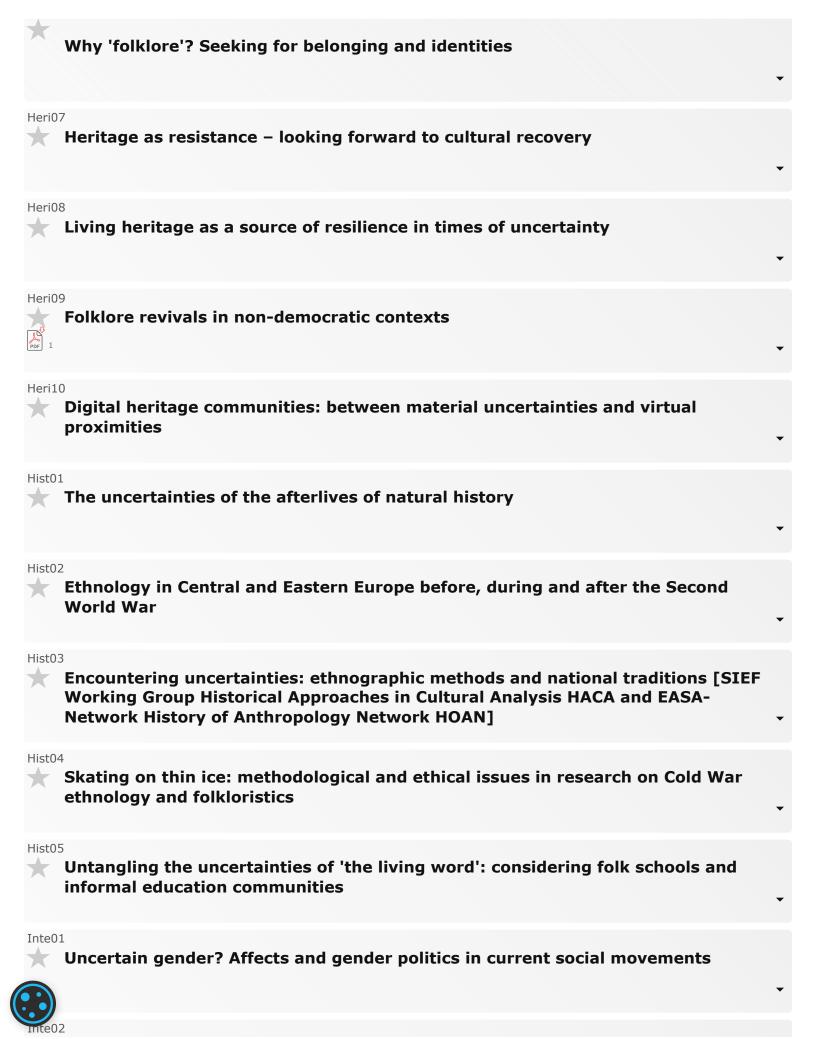


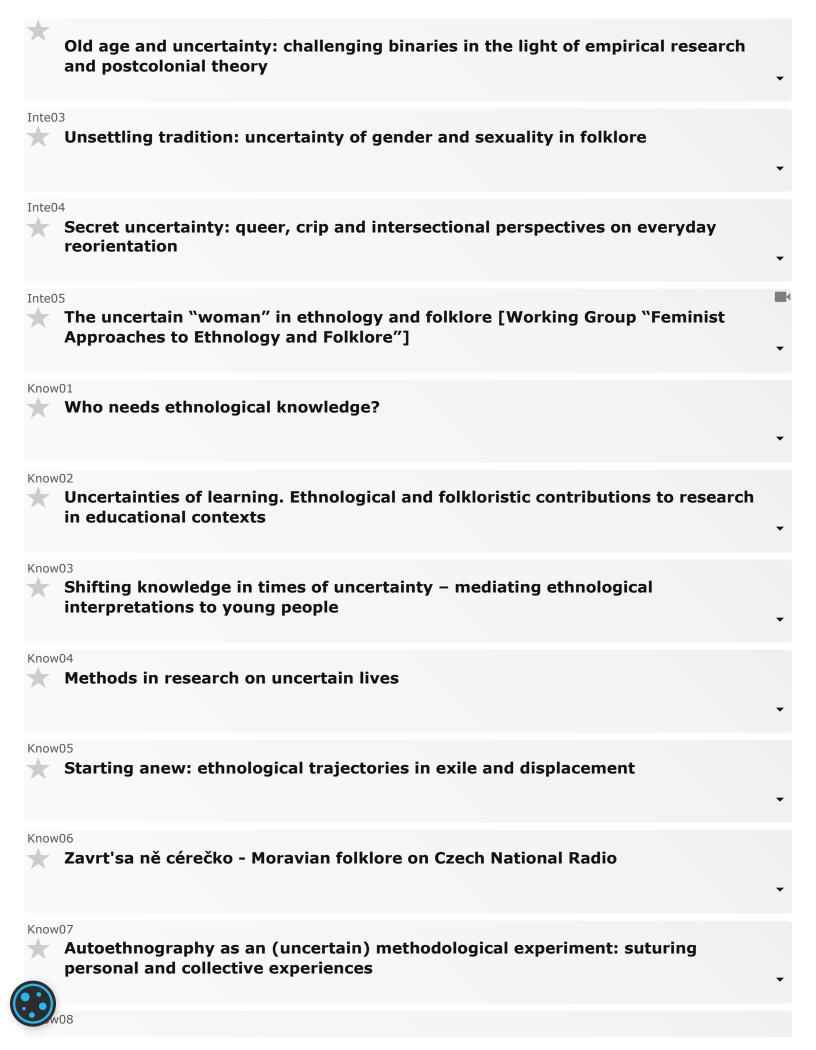
Ethnological museums, (b)orders and epistemological uncertainties

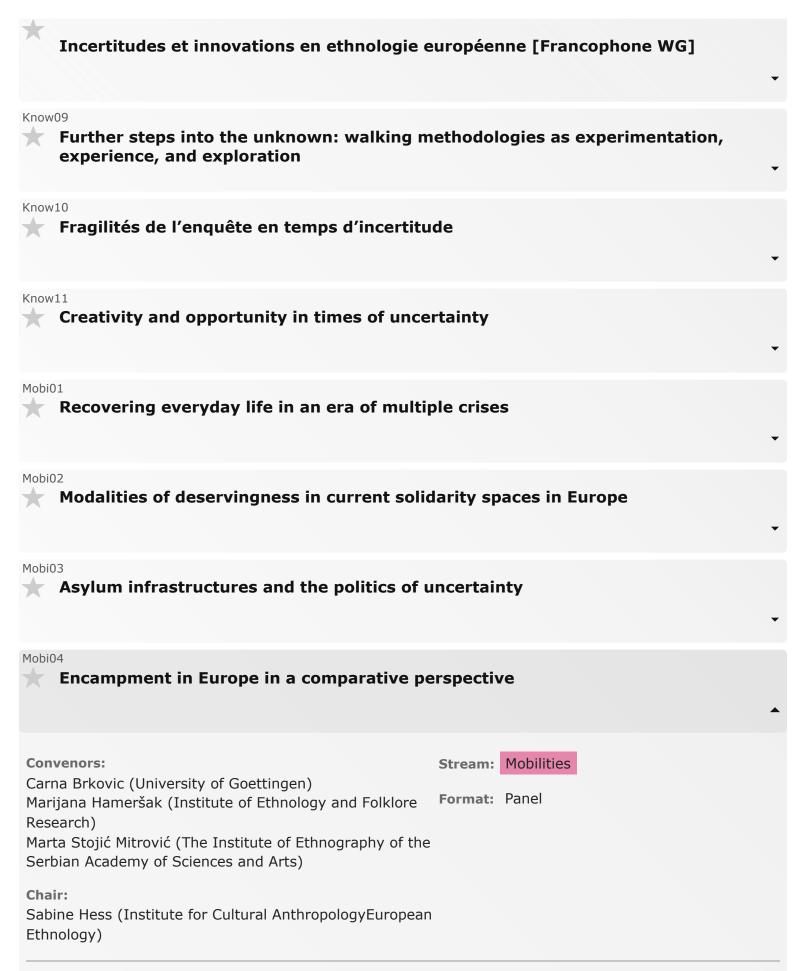














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Long Abstract:

This panel offers a comparative ethnographic and historical perspective on processes of encampment in Europe and on refugee camps as spaces run by complex and ambiguous interweaving of humanitarian and security logics. It approaches encampment as a specific architectural-political form of managing displacement that became possible with the establishing of the nation-state system. With the growth of the humanitarian industry and its 'mobile sovereignty' (Pandolfi 2003), refugee camp was dispersed globally as a preferred model of managing displacement.

The panel contributions could address one of the following key aspects:

- 1) the complex and shifting securitarian-humanitarian logics of governance that are reflected in the management of displacement through encampment;
- 2) how camps as infrastructures of immobilization, control and care change over time;
- 3) everyday life and encampment;
- 4) shifting logics of racialization and how they shape processes of encampment;
- 5) camps as places of resistance to racialisation and humanitarian-securitarian governance.

We invite papers that explore (in)visibility and (un)knowability of the management of European borders by empirically focusing on diverse process of encampment in European member states, as well as those looking at the processes of offshoring encampment from the EU to the countries in the Mediterranean, alongside the Balkan Route, in Africa etc. Papers for this panel would offer an ethnographically and historically grounded analysis of processes of encampment and refugee camps as racialized formations made possible by certain forms of governance in which boundaries between care and violence are increasingly blurred and of resistance to these.

Accepted papers:

The spatio-temporal governance of migration through the Hotspot Approach: a comparative analysis of law and practice in Greece and Italy

Karl Heyer (IMIS Osnabrueck)

The Reception Regime. How camps shape between Italy and Germany.

Giuseppe Platania (Scuola Normale Superiore)

The camp as method: infrastructural uncertainty in state reception for asylum seekers. ▼
Caterina Borelli (Università Ca' Foscari)

Swedish quarantine camps as a form of biopolitical borderwork in the end of World War ullet II





Into the unknown: uncertainness as the common condition of mobilities [Working Group on Migration and Mobility]

Convenors:

Stream: Mobilities

Ignacio Fradejas-García (University of Oviedo) Kristín Loftsdóttir (University of Iceland)

Format: Panel

Short Abstract:

In this panel we explore mobility and uncertainty, asking more specifically: how mobilities are used to deal with uncertain circumstances; how uncertainty can hinder or encourage mobilities; as well as how dealing with uncertainty during mobilities.

Long Abstract:

Mobility uncertainness might be structural or/and provoked by unexpected events. The acceleration of interconnected crisis of identity, environment and economy (Eriksen 2016) produces states of uncertainty that can be aggravated by sudden events. The pandemic radical uncertainties produced 'shock mobilities,' reconfiguring mobilities routines (Xiang et al. 2022) and revealing striking differences between essential and existential mobilities (Salazar 2021). Uncertainness is shaped by gender, race, origin, or class, where subaltern and unprivileged people on the move are especially affected. People on the move enter in unknown territories with different socio-cultural rules and legal systems that shape their position within society as gendered, racialized bodies. Some migrants are impacted by political uncertainties in origin while being in precarious situations during movement (Loftsdóttir 2016). Uncertainty also links with agency and power for choosing/forcing go/stay or destination/routes, while concerned with tempo, duration and intensity of mobilities (Amit and Salazar 2020). Disruptions in travels have long been a common characteristic of everyday life (Pooley 2013) and the same argument might be applied to all spatial mobilities: anything can happen on the move. In times of permanent crisis, tolerating and dealing with uncertainty has become a highly valued capacity, and can encourage creativity, resistance and imagination. This panel seeks to illustrate how uncertainty operates on the move and we call for proposals on a broad range of mobilities/immobilities engaging with: How mobilities are used to deal with uncertain circumstances; how uncertainty can hinder or encourage mobilities; as well as how dealing with uncertainty during mobilities.

Accepted papers:

Uncertainties, Unevenness and Mobility in the Touristic Swiss Alps

Danaé Leitenberg (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Germany)

What's Next? Examining the Experiences of International Scholars in Latvia

Ieva Puzo (Riga Stradins University)



'Emigration is luck': Destiny, uncertainty and witchcraft in migratory journeys from the ▼ Gambia and Guinea-Bissau

Reverse migration during the COVID-19 pandemic and the energetic crisis. Routes of Romanian migrants in Germany

Antonia Jeflea (University of Tübingen)

Mobility indeterminacy and grass-roots rescue infrastructure on Kolyma roads, Russia ▼

Asya Karaseva (University of Tartu)

Between a rock and a hard place: Border regime analysis in and beyond the Canary Islands

Zina Weisner (Danube University Krems), Kristín Loftsdóttir (University of Iceland), Ignacio Fradejas-García (University of Oviedo)

The precariousness of privileged mobility: Turkish migrant doctors in contemporary Germany

Erkan Tümkaya

The Railway and Clandestine Migration along the Balkan Migratory Trail

Marijana Hameršak (Institute of Ethnology and Folklore Research), Marta Stojić Mitrović (The Institute of Ethnography of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts), Simon Campbell (University of Graz)

Paper short abstract:

Based on long-term ethnographic research along the Balkan migratory trail, we discuss how the railway, as a mobility structure shaped by the ideology of progress, coordination and certainty, is simultaneously used and reshaped in the context of uncertainty of clandestine migration.

Paper long abstract:

As a product of modernity, the railway is a mobility (infra)structure shaped by the ideology of progress, coordination and certainty (Beaumont and Freeman 2007). In this presentation, we ask how this structure works in the context of uncertainty. We are interested in the interactions of prolonged and repeated situations of uncertainty related to clandestine or irregularized migration, on the one side, with the railway, on the other. Our main question is how railways are utilized for both containing and enabling mobilities towards the EU. Based on long-term ethnographic research along the Balkan migratory trail, we discuss how railways are used by clandestine migrants for facilitating movement (as leads, resting infrastructures, etc.), and how they are used by state authorities to hinder and revert this movement (as detention, backward-paths, etc). We examine the relation of tragic events and border deaths associated with railway-use in the context of irregularized migration with changes in migration practices and discourses. The use of railways to prevent unwanted novement toward the EU has also resulted in physical changes of railway infrastructure. We

investigate how the usages of active/abandoned railways inform and reshape everyday geographies of movement along the route, intercity mobility and life on the EU administrative border.

By focusing on the entanglements of railway and clandestine migration, this presentation seeks to illustrate how uncertainty operates on the move, unpacking the way train infrastructure spatially interfaces mobile bodies with the potentials and foreclosures of crossing borders, contributing to a non-linear understanding of migration.

Home Balloon. The prints of belonging and uncertainty in the international mobility of ▼ Romanian Roma

Stefania Toma (Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities)

"Most of the times I have to move, I am never in the same place" - mobilities and the 🔻 emotional experiences of places in the city of Zagreb among people in street homelessness

Paula Greiner (Institute of Social Sciences Ivo Pilar)

Mobi06



Uncertain temporalities of children and youth with a migrant background

Mobi07



Intimate uncertainties: powers, subjectivities, and the inner workings for a better future

Narr01



Family as a safe haven? Families in social practice and narratives in times of crises

Narr02



Uncertain death: narrative and physical death and the spaces in between

Narr03



Open paths - coping with uncertainty through ambiguity in and of narratives [Narrative Cultures Working Group]

Narr04

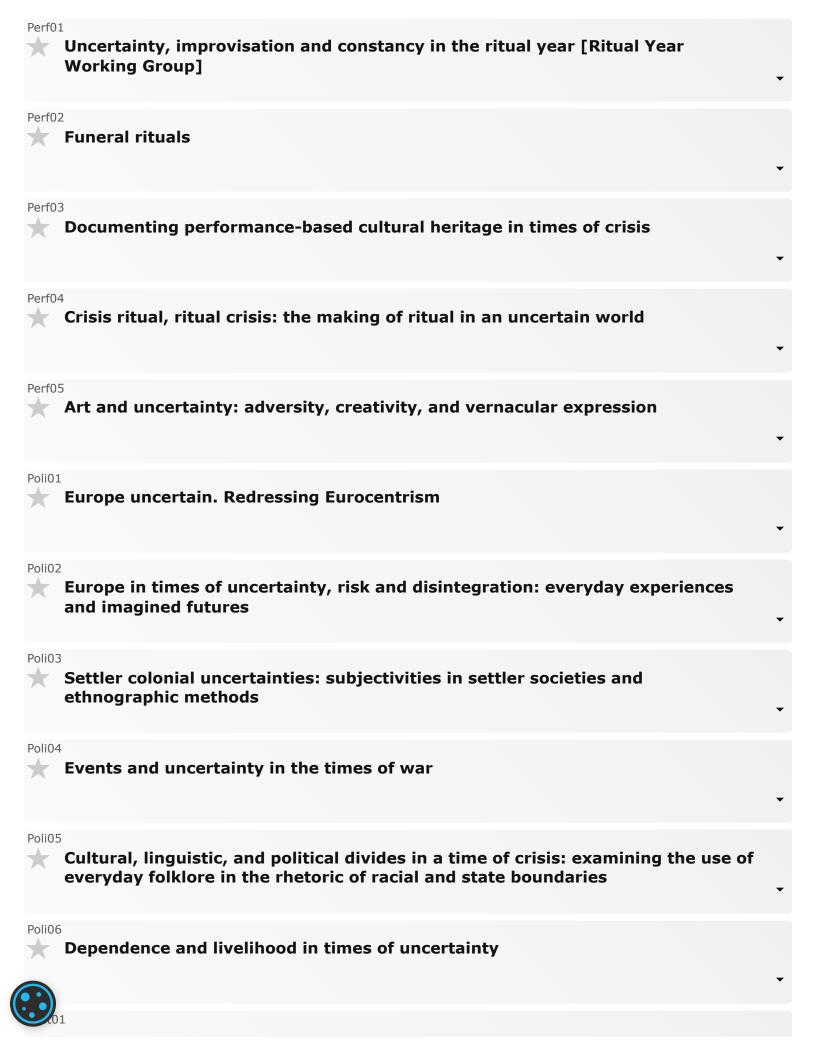


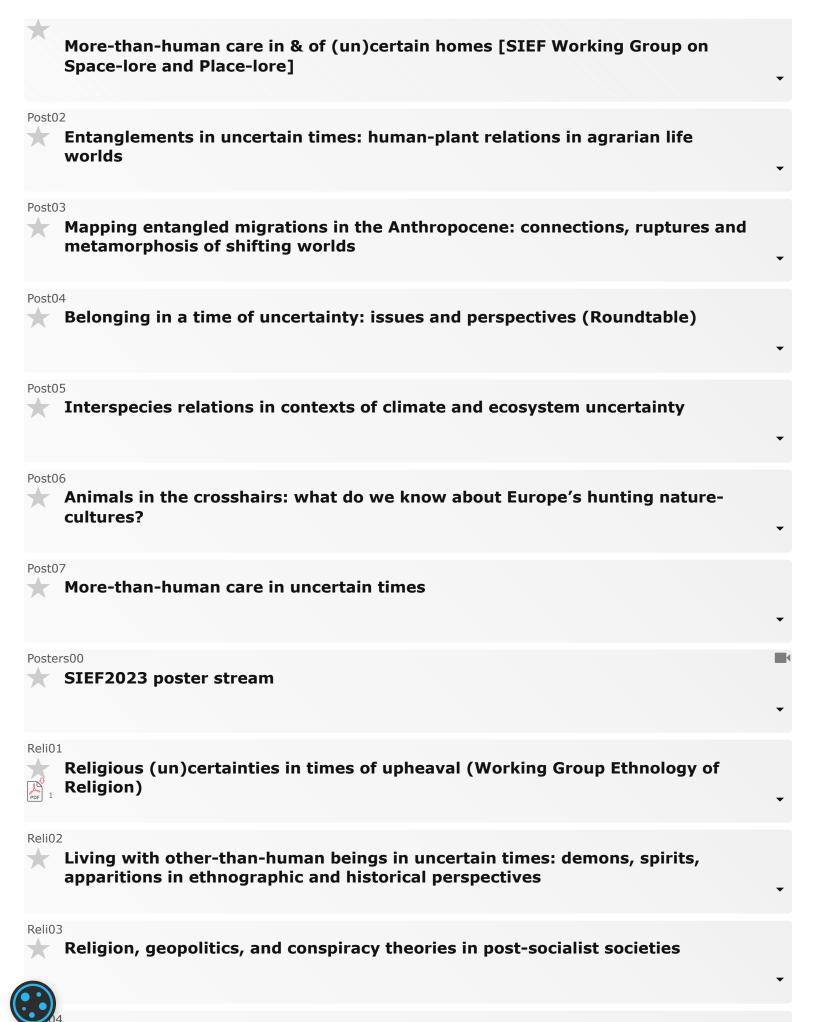
Narrating the uncertainty at the time of political crises: rumors, conspiracy theories, trolling and propaganda

Narr05



Legend and politics: civic uncertainty and fragmentary narrative









Urba04

Where is my home and who lives there? Uncertainties about housing and ways of living

Urba05

Affective engagements with the historic urban landscape - how do we proceed?



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