Call for Papers Third Baltic Conference on the Environmental Humanities and Social Sciences (BALTEHUMS III)

October 23-25, 2024
Faculty of History, Adam Mickiewicz University
Poznań, Poland

The Baltic Sea region has been subject to dramatic environmental changes and anthropogenic impact since the retrieval of the last ice sheets, and today it is among the most polluted seas of the world. At the same time, the Baltic region, particularly its Eastern shores, have experienced a historical pathway very different to the Western Europe and the United States where most humanities and social science theories on environment originate from. This warrants a critical scrutiny of both the theories and field. The BALTEHUMS conference invites all environment-inspired scholars from different humanities, social sciences and art disciplines in the wider Baltic region to join us in Poznań for a three-day conversation about how environmental humanities and social sciences should be done in the area, what are the urgent topics today, and how classical concepts such as Anthropocene, environmentalism, or environmental memory apply to our geographical and historical realities.

BALTEHUMS III will be as wide and inclusive event as the previous conferences in the series. It aims to bring together researchers from different backgrounds and discuss common themes, advance a Baltic network of interdisciplinary studies on environment, and discover ways of developing further cooperation in research, teaching, and outreach.

To remain true to the field's principles of inclusivity and intellectual curiosity, we do not put limits to the topics of the proposals, as long as they concern the wider Baltic region and its environment. We welcome presentations on food, climate, health-environment nexus, resources, landscape, pollution, water, recycling, power plants, literary or art representations of nature, human-animal interaction, religion, environmental ethics or philosophy and other environmental themes in the Baltic region. Particularly welcome are contributions that investigate the Anthropocene history as well as the history and present of environmentalism, environmental protection and social movements in the region.

We welcome contributions in all recognised academic formats (15-20 min presentations; posters, roundtables) but even sessions in alternative formats or ideas for networking events. Submissions including a 300-word abstract and author data for all articles should be **submitted through the digital platform by May 15, 2024**.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for the submission of **individual papers**, **roundtables**, **artistic interventions or networking ideas**. (Everything that includes only one abstract)

CLICK HERE for the submission of or paper sessions. (Submit both session and paper abstracts)

The conference will be held on-site in Poznań. Limited Zoom options may be available in case of special circumstances.

Please spread the word about the conference to all your colleagues and friends!

With kind regards,

The organising committee

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Submission of individual papers, roundtables and artistic interventions	Submission of sessions