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FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

10th Meeting of European Geographers of Religion: International Colloquia on the Changing Religious Landscape of Europe

The Sacral Landscape and Remembrance in a Postsecular Age – Churches, Crosses and Cemeteries



Lodz (Poland), 4–6 November 2016

GENERAL INFORMATION

The leitmotif of the 10th anniversary seminar of geographers of religion is the sacral landscape and remembrance in a postsecular age. The focus is primarily on churches, crosses and cemeteries which are firmly embedded in the identity of Europe. We want to find out if they are currently forming the memory of local communities and nations. Maybe due to their changing function it is more like a landscape of non-remembrance? How to maintain a balance between a symbol and the space of a contemporary city? Obviously, the key question is if we should remember and who is responsible for the remembrance and what is the role of religion? For us it is also important to understand the role of geographers in the discussion about remembrance landscape.

Main topics of the Conference

- Cognitive aspect – what is the remembrance landscape and what is the role of sacrum in the landscape, what is valuable for the contemporary people, what do they maintain as the symbols of identity and history, how is the remembrance landscape embedded in the contemporary landscape with its political, economic and cultural manifestations, do the landscapes compete?
- Methodological aspect – the question of how to explore in geography of religion, here the “remembrance” can be expressed metaphorically – should we remember about geography in the descriptive-classification perspective or try to explain and understand, it is also important to determine the scale – do you see the remembrance landscape when you look out the window or when you peek inside the window?
- Application aspect – here it is crucial to explore, particularly from the European Union perspective, urban policy and specifically the urban renewal processes as it seems a great chance to show what geography of religion deals with and a lot more.

English is the official language of the Conference. Only registered participants will be allowed to present their papers. Participation should be confirmed before 1st October 2016 at: ewa.klima@p.lodz.pl.

Conference proceedings, daytime refreshments (coffee breaks) and tourist guidance through Lodz will be provided free of charge. Participants should arrange their own accommodation in Lodz.

We are going to publish presentations in the collection (co-issued by the Museum).

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Venue of the Conference

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