



The Department of Baltic Studies
and
The Department of Comparative Culture Studies
at the Institute of Linguistics, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan
are announcing that

THE PERSPECTIVES OF BALTIC PHILOLOGY III

International Conference

THE APOCALYPSE AND THE ENDS OF THE WORLDS

will take place on

16-17 JUNE, 2016

in Adam Mickiewicz University's Collegium Novum, Al. Niepodleglosci 4 in Poznan

The "Perspectives of Baltic Philology" Conference is a platform for the dissemination of the latest research results of European Baltic Studies scholars and representatives of other disciplines related to Baltic Studies. The Conference planned for 2016 will focus on the theme "Apocalypse and the Ends of the Worlds", and its goal is to present results of current research on the subject of dramatic or surprising changes, transformations, simplifications, fading and disappearances as well as returns or repetitions which are observed both in various fields of interest of Baltic Studies scholars and in the discipline of Baltic Studies itself. Conference sessions will be devoted to discussions of processes interrupted for various reasons, catastrophes and other upheavals taking part in the real world (the world of science) and unreal worlds (created in literature, language, film, folklore, mythology, art etc.).

Suggested paper topics:

- New, revolutionary or processes that came to a standstill, trends and theories in literary studies, linguistics, cultural studies, folklore, history, archaeology, fine arts etc.
- War, emigration, political and economic changes, cultural, generational exchange, assimilation, collisions of cultures and systems, including pagan and Christian, as factors generating changes in the areas researched by Baltic Studies scholars and in the field of Baltic Studies.
- Upheavals, dying and returning in unreal worlds - mythical, fairy tale, literature, film and other.
- Changes in Baltic literatures as a result of collision with other cultures, languages, political systems.
- Scenes of apocalypse in the literature and art of Lithuania, Latvia, Latgale, the Polish Livonia, the Grand Duchy of Lithuania and Baltic Germans.
- Changes in the language systems that occur at the levels of morphology, phonetics and syntax.
- The disappearance of grammatical structures and vocabulary, their replacement with other variants.
- Changes and modifications of methods of translation caused by/along with the development of new technologies.
- Breakthrough moments and turning points in the history of Lithuania, Latvia, Polish Livonia, and the Grand Duchy of Lithuania.
- New sources and new interpretations of source texts on the history of the Balts.
- Archaeological discoveries shedding new light on research on the Baltic population.

Time for presentation: 20 minutes.

Abstracts in one of the conference languages (Lithuanian, Latvian, Polish, English, German) should be sent to: perspektywy.poznan@gmail.com by **April 10, 2016**.

Notification of acceptance will be sent by **April 16, 2016**.

Conference fee for Participants is 350 PLN, for PhD Students – 150 PLN (it includes conference materials, conference gala dinner, coffee breaks and the publication of papers in conference proceedings).

Deadline for conference fee payment: **May 15, 2016**.

Publication: we are planning to publish a post-conference publication.

Conference Organizing Committee Chair: dr hab., prof. UAM Ewa Stryczyńska-Hodyl