

**IMPERIALISM AND IDENTITIES**  
**AT THE EDGES OF THE ROMAN WORLD 4**  
**PETNICA SCIENCE CENTER SEPTEMBER 20–23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018**  
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Petnica Science Center

We are happy to announce the call for papers for the fourth conference *Imperialism and Identities at the Edges of the Roman World*. The conference covers various topics within the theme of social interactions directly or indirectly connected to the Roman socio-political system operating for several centuries in the Mediterranean and continental parts of Europe, Asia and Africa.

The goal of the conference is to enable an open discussion on a variety of approaches from different theoretical and methodological positions, as well as various disciplinary perspectives (archaeology, history, anthropology, art history, heritage studies). The IIERW is set to establish a wide network of scholars with different geographic and academic backgrounds and research experiences dealing with Roman imperialism and related issues.

**The main topics of the conference are:**

- Relations between the Roman imperialism and regional/local communities, “non-elite” or “marginal” social categories of various sorts (‘global and local’ social/cultural trends and the creation of different life-experiences)
- Social and cultural dynamics in the areas of interaction (contact, conflict, resistance, coexistence, socio-cultural creativity, connectivity and networks)
- Complexity, variety and intersections of social/cultural relations, realities and imaginations
- Diversity of construction and communication of identities
- Reflexive history of Roman studies
- Roman heritage

For the sake of clarity these topics could be narrowed down to the following issues (which are not strict thematic sections, but suggested general guidelines):

- General theoretical perspectives and methodology
- Social structure, organization and practices
- Economy and technology
- Military and diplomatic relations
- Settlements and dwelling customs
- Funeral and burial practices
- Material culture/materiality, agency and entanglement
- Religion and cult activities
- Performativity, “daily life“, entertainment
- Reception and utilization of the Roman past in the contemporary world
- Roman studies’ relations with the general public

The conference will be held at the **Petnica Science Center**, near Valjevo (Western Serbia), some two hours driving from Belgrade.

### Keynote speakers:

**Paul Erdkamp** (Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium)

**Andrew Gardner** (University College London, UK)

**Gordana Jeremić** (Archaeological Institute, Belgrade, Serbia)

**Neville Morley** (University of Exeter, UK)

**Almudena Orejas Saco del Valle** (Centro de Ciencias Humanas y Sociales, Madrid, Spain)

**Francisco Javier Sánchez-Palencia Ramos** (Centro de Ciencias Humanas y Sociales, Madrid, Spain)

**Ivan Radman Livaja** (Archaeological Museum in Zagreb, Croatia)

### Timeline:

**June 15<sup>th</sup>** – deadline for the submission of abstracts

June 15<sup>th</sup> – the list of confirmed speakers

**July 31<sup>st</sup>** – deadline for accommodation booking

August 31<sup>st</sup> – the final program of the conference

### Abstracts submission:

If you are interested in participating in IIERW 4, please submit your abstract to one of the following email addresses: [markojankovic@gmail.com](mailto:markojankovic@gmail.com); [v.mihajlovic@ff.uns.ac.rs](mailto:v.mihajlovic@ff.uns.ac.rs). Submitted abstracts should be up to **250 words long**. Authors should include names and their full affiliation.

### Conference fees:

Date	Price	
September 19 <sup>th</sup>	35 €	Day before conference (optional)
September 20 <sup>th</sup>	35 €	Conference day
September 21 <sup>st</sup>	35 €	Conference day
September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	35 €	Conference day
September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	35 €	Conference day
<b>Participation fee</b>	<b>40 €</b>	

It is possible for all of the participants to pay separately for each day of the conference according to their individual plans. The price of 35 € per day includes accommodation, three meals and all the costs of PS Center resources (Wi-Fi, library,...). A special discount is provided for those staying all four days (September 20, 21, 22 and 23<sup>rd</sup>) of the conference – 120 € total (September 19<sup>th</sup> and conference fee not included!). Participants will receive the book of abstracts together with other conference material.

If you should have any other questions, suggestions or comments do not hesitate to contact us.

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