

RIJEKA PHILOLOGICAL DAYS 12



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Dear colleague,

It is our pleasure to announce that the Department of Croatian Language and Literature of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences in Rijeka is organising the 12th *Rijeka Philological Days* this year. Since 1991 – when we sent out the call for our first conference the topic of which was *Fran Kurelac and his time* – Rijeka, our Faculty and our Department have biannually hosted renowned philologists from Croatia and abroad. The previous conferences have resulted in ten books of proceedings, and the eleventh is in preparation.

This year, the *Rijeka Philological Days* will be held from 8th until 10th November. The conference will cover the following three thematic sessions:

1. Eighths in linguistics, literature and culture

This thematic session deals with the “eighth” years as the focal points of gatherings and events and their influence on literature, language and culture of a particular period. The concept of “eighths” is viewed through the prism of three periods:

- a) eighths in the medieval and early modern period (e.g. 1288 and Vinodolski zakon; 1508 as the year in which Marin Držić was born, etc.)
- b) eighths in modernism (e.g. the 1848 Revolution – its impact on Croatia and Europe; the end of World War I in 1918, etc.)
- c) eighths in postmodernism (e.g. 1968 and the Prague Spring, Moscow Summit in 1988 – the beginning of the disintegration of the Communist Bloc, etc.).

2. Lexicon and grammar

Along with the topic, we also offer some possible, more concrete, guidelines:

- grammatically relevant properties and the meanings of individual lexical units in the diachronic, synchronic, standard language or dialectal perspective;
- issues related to word classes, processes of grammaticalization and/or pragmaticalization of grammatical words;
- polyfunctionality and multi-categoric properties of grammatical words;
- lexical and lexicographic aspects of individual word classes and individual lexemes.

3. RE: -vision, -interpretation, -valorisation in literature and culture

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- new old Croatian writers;
- the role of older literature in contemporary Croatian culture;
- new readings of older literature and old readings of more recent literature;
- changes in the value paradigms (literary-cultural context);
- literary history and culture on the gender horizon;
- ideology and literature;
- literature as a form of resistance to the manipulative memory and the literary construct of history;
- should we re-write the history of literature: re-examining the literary quality of non-fictional texts;
- (comparative) re-examination of literary history;
- digital humanities and the re-examination of literary history, etc.

We cordially invite you to submit an abstract to this year's *Rijeka Philological Days*. The submission, including the title and an abstract in one of the Slavic languages and in the English language, should be made by filling in the submission form attached to this call and by emailing it to ffd12@ffri.hr by 30th

June 2018. The submissions will be reviewed by the Program Committee of the *Rijeka Philological Days*, which, in addition to the members of our Department, consists of renowned experts from Croatia and abroad who specialise in the topics of this year's conference. By 15th July you will receive the second call accompanied by the notification of acceptance. The second call will also announce the invited speakers and the topics of their talks.

The presentations may be given in one of the Slavic languages or in the English language.

The conference fee is 700 HRK (or 95 EUR); early bird registration (payable until 19th October) 600 HRK (or 80 EUR). The fee helps us cover the cost of conference materials and publication costs for the book of proceedings.

Important dates:

- 30th June – abstract submission deadline (use the attached submission form)
- 15th July – the participants will receive the second call accompanied by notification of acceptance along with the instructions on how to pay the conference fee
- 19th October – early bird registration deadline
- 8th to 10th November – conference in Rijeka

We look forward to seeing you in Rijeka and send our best regards!

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