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*An international conference for young researchers is held by  
the International Association For Hungarian Studies and the University of Pécs  
On August 27-28, 2015.*

### ***Conceptions of Time in Hungarian Studies***

*Venue: Faculty of Arts, University of Pécs,  
6. Ifjúság útja, Pécs*

The International Association for Hungarian Studies has been organizing conferences for young researchers since 2005. The aim of these conferences is to provide an international forum to regularly bring together young scholars interested and engaged in Hungarian Studies.<sup>1</sup> This year's conference attempts to find an answer to the questions how and why time relations can be considered a topical and relevant issue in Hungarian Studies.

*Periodization* is a major concern in different fields of Hungarian Studies. *The linguistic conceptualization and expression of time relations* can be of importance for historians, linguists and literary scholars alike. From a historical perspective it is a crucial question whether and to what extent objectively measurable variables and phenomena considering change and development and the subjective time perception of those living in a particular era coincide. The self narratives of nations, smaller communities and even individuals have a specific time structure (progress, stagnation, deterioration), whose orientation and patterns (apocalyptic, cyclic etc.) are of considerable relevance when examining the „history” of a given community or individual. From a synchronic point of view it is also relevant to consider how temporal and cultural distances can be covered both in a theoretical and practical sense of the word. Hungarian Studies by providing an interdisciplinary framework creates excellent opportunities for the dialogue of various research areas, which in spite of using differing methods aim to answer questions of a similar nature. Furthermore, it might provide a critical perspective towards a candid examination and discussion of essentially Hungarian concerns in terms of basic concepts like „fate” and „time”.

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<sup>1</sup> For previous conferences see the website of the association (<http://hungarologia.net/conferences-and-congresses/magyar-doktoriskolak-konferenciai/>).

### *The conference*

Work is organized in sections such as *History, Literary history, Linguistics, Ethnography and Cultural Anthropology, Art History, Music, Film and Theatre*. Thematic units in each section are based on lectures following each other in the chronological order of the topics covered, which leaves plenty of time to discuss related topics. A lecture is supposed to take no longer than 20 minutes. The working language of the conference is Hungarian and English. The written versions of lectures accompanied by notes are going to be published by the International Association for Hungarian Studies.<sup>2</sup>

### *How to apply*

You can apply by submitting a detailed summary of your lecture (minimum 1.800 n), stating which section the lecture is to be held in. If the lecture is written in Hungarian, it is supposed to be accompanied by a 400-word abstract in English; as for lectures in English an abstract in English is required. Applications can be submitted online addressed to the organising committee of the conference: [nmtt@iif.hu](mailto:nmtt@iif.hu) by **May 29, 2015**. News and updates on the conference can be followed on the website of the Hungarian Association for Hungarian Studies (<http://hungarologia.net/>).

*April 29. 2015, Budapest*

#### The Organizing Committee of the Conference:

Dobos István (President)  
Bene Sándor, Mekis János, Tuomo Lahdelma,  
Monok István, Orbán Jolán (Members)  
Fenyvesi Kristóf (Secretary)  
Csapó Mónika (Organizing Secretary)

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<sup>2</sup> Publications of the earlier conferences: *A magyarságtudomány műhelyei*, ed. István Dobos, Budapest, 2005: <http://hungarologia.net/hu/conferences-and-congresses/magyar-doktoriskolak-konferenciai/magyar-%E2%80%9Ea-magyarsagtudomany-muhelyei-a-doktoriskolak-i-konferenciajanak-kiadvanyai/>; *A magyarságtudományok önértelmezései*, ed. István Dobos, Sándor Bene, Budapest, 2008: <http://mek.oszk.hu/07600/07689/>; *Határátlépések*, ed. István Dobos, Sándor Bene, Kolozsvár, 2010: <http://mek.oszk.hu/09700/09720/>. Lectures of the 2013 Conference *Válság és kultúra* is soon to be published by the publishing company Argumentum Kiadó.