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THE 11TH INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC READINGS OF PROF. JONAS PUZINAS
THE CENTENNIAL OF MARIJA GIMBUTIENĖ BIRTHDATE

September 23–24, 2021
Vilnius, Lithuania

THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF LITHUANIA, The Old Arsenal, Arsenalo str. 3, Vilnius, II floor
Conference will be broadcast online

I SESSION. THE BALTS

9.30-10.00 Registration, welcome coffee
10.00-10.20 Welcome speech (translation provided)
  Akad. Eugenijus Jovaiša, Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania
  Dr. Rūta Kalkutė, National Museum of Lithuania
  Prof. Albinas Kuncevičius, Vilnius University, Department of Archaeology
  Agnė Žilinskaitė, Society of Lithuanian Archaeology

10.20-10.40 “The Balts”: Rhetoric of Reconstructing Religion in M. Gimbutienė’s Work
  Prof. Vytautas Ališauskas, Vilnius University, Faculty of Philology (translation provided)

10.40-11.00 Marija Gimbutienė and the Theory of Baltic Origins
  Doc. dr. Algimantas Merkevičius, Vilnius University, Department of Archaeology

11.00-11.20 Areas of Baltic Languages Until the 17th Century Based on the Data of Nomenclature
  Hab. dr. Kazimieras Garšva, Institute of the Lithuanian Language (translation provided)

11.20-11.40 The Main Features of Balts’ Attire of Adornments
  Dr. Natalya Zhilina, Russian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Archaeology

11.40-12.00 Discussion
12.00-13.30 Lunch Break

II SESSION. CROSSING EUROPE

13.30-13.50 Remembering a Great Woman of Science: Professor Marija Gimbutienė (Gimbutas) during the Centennial Year of her birth (1921-2021)
  Joan Marler, Institute of Archaeomythology, USA

13.50-14.10 Marija Gimbutas and Neolithic Macedonia
  Assist. prof. Goce Naumov, University Goce Delčev, Center for Prehistoric Research

14.10-14.30 News from The Eastern Borders of Old Europe
  Dr. Mykhailo Videiko, Reiv Borys Grinchenko University

14.30-14.50 Spiegel im Spiegel: Times of change – Archaeological Reflections on Marija Gimbutas’ Research
  Dr. Regina A. Uhl, German Archaeological Institute, Eurasia-Department

14.50-15.00 Discussion
15.00-15.30 Coffee Break

III SESSION. WAVES OF CHANGES

  Olegas UsąGivas, Genocide and Resistance Research Centre of Lithuania

15.50-16.10 M. Gimbutienė’s Hypothesis of Indo-European Origin and the Newest Paleogenetic Data of the Baltic Region
  Prof. Rimantas Jankauskas, Vilnius University, Faculty of Medicine

16.10-16.30 Waves of Changes in Later Prehistory of Eastern and South-Eastern Europe, the 5th and 4th Millennia BC
  Dr. Igor Manzura, High Anthropological School University

16.30-16.50 Cultural Interactions Between Agricultural and Pastoral Societies During the Last Quarter of the 4th Milennia BC: Case Study of Serezleevka Local Group
  Dr. Mykola Tupciyenko, Central Ukrainian National Technical University, Department of History, Archeology, Information and Archives affairs

16.50-17.10 Marija Gimbutas and the Transformation of Europe in the 3rd millennium BC
  Prof. dr. Heyd Volker, University of Helsinki

17.10-17.30 Discussion
18.00 Opening Ceremony of the International Exhibition „Goddesses and Warriors: 100 Years to Marija Gimbutas” at the National Museum of Lithuania (for conference delegates only)
24 September (Friday)

**IV SESSION. CONTEXTS**

9.00-9.30  Registration, coffee

9.30-9.50  Kurgan Rite on The Western Limits of The Great Steppe: “Constructors” vs. “Users”
Dr. Denis Topal, National Museum of History of Moldova

9.50-10.10  The Origins and Mobility of Stone Age Humans from Donkalnis and Spiginas Burials Based on The Data of Strontium Isotope Analysis
Dr. Gytis Piličiauskas, Lithuanian Institute of History, Department of Archaeology
Dr. Edvardas Simčenka, Lithuanian Institute of History, Department of Archaeology
Dr. Justina Kozakaitė, Vilnius University, Faculty of Medicine
Dr. Žydrūnė Miliauskienė, Vilnius University, Department of Archaeology
Dr. Harry Kenneth Robson, University of York, Department of Archaeology, BioArCh

10.10-10.30  Burial Ground of Cherniakhiv Culture Boromlia (According to Ethnic Cranioscopical Data)
Yury Dolzhenko, National Academy of Science of Ukraine, Institute of Archaeology

10.30-10.50  Usatovo in The Context of “Kurgan cultures” of the Early Metal Ages
Dr. Svetlana Ivanova, National Academy of Science of Ukraine, Institute of Archaeology
Prof. Alexey G. Nikitin, Grand Valley State University, USA

Annika Sirkin, Centre for Baltic and Scandinavian Archaeology, Schleswig

11.10-11.30  Discussion

11.30-13.00  Lunch break

**V SESSION. BETWEEN MYTH AND REALITY**

13.00-13.20  Matrifocality – Myth or Maybe?
Dr. Inga Merkytė, University of Copenhagen

Dr. Natalia Burdo, National Academy of Science of Ukraine, Institute of Archaeology

13.40-14.00  Anthropomorphic Figurines with Hunchbacks and Deformed Breasts in Kodjadermen–Gumelnita–Karanovo VI Culture
Vanya Stavreva, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski

14.00-14.20  Newly Discovered Anthropomorphic Vessel from Eastern Bulgaria
Dr. Veselin Danov, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski

14.20-14.40  Cow, Bull, Woman, Man
Assoc. prof. Petya Georgieva, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski

14.40-15.00  Discussion

15.00-15.30  Coffee Break

**VI SESSION. BETWEEN MYTH AND REALITY**

15.30-15.50  Relics of the Primeval Cult of Deer in Folklore of South-Eastern Europe
Dr. Natalia Mykhailova, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Institute of Archaeology

15.50-16.10  Scythian Ares - A God Whose True Name Unknown
Dr. Oksana Lifantii, National Museum of Ukrainian History, Museum of Historical Treasures of Ukraine
Dr. Oleksandr Shelekhian, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Institute of Archaeology

16.10-16.30  Pytheas of Massalia and the Baltic. Myth or reality?
Søren Skriver Tillisch, Primary school for gifted children (Atheneskolen), Denmark

16.30-16.50  Zig Zag Protosofiosofia and Contemporary Gilany
Ivana Spinelli, Academy of Fine Art of Bologna

16.50-17.30  Discussion

17.30  Excursion