

Re-Visiting the Contact Zone: Museums, Theory, Practice

We invite young and established researchers in museum studies, anthropology, art history, sociology, architecture, design, archaeology, and all related fields including practitioners in museums, galleries, and archives to apply for the **Re-Visiting the Contact Zone: Museums, Theory, Practice** Conference.

This conference is organised by the European Science Foundation (ESF) in partnership with the Linköping University (LiU). The conference will take place on **17-21 July 2011** at Scandic Linköping Vast, Linköping, Sweden.

Submission Deadline: **17 April 2011**

Grants for Young and Early Stage Researchers available.

Further information can be found below and at www.esf.org/conferences/11365

We would very much appreciate if you could circulate this announcement among your colleagues and your contacts.



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Chaired by:

Sharon Macdonald - University of Manchester, UK

Cilly Kugelmann - Jewish Museum Berlin, DE

Programme

Museums form an important part of the cultural heritage of all European countries. As institutions museums have tended to remain focused on the nation state for historical, political and financial reasons, but many of the issues museums aim to respond to today transcend national boundaries. This international European Science Foundation funded conference seeks to provide a platform for exchange, reflecting on the new EU-wide interest in museums as spaces of cultural encounter that occupy a unique position at the junction between 'the local', 'the national' and 'the global'.

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Invited speakers will include

Tony Bennett - University of Western Sydney, AU

Mary Bouquet - University College Utrecht, NL

Marta Lourenço - University of Lisbon, PT

Eithne Nightingale - Victoria and Albert Museum, UK

Gian Luca Basso Peressut - Politecnico Milano, IT

Anthony Shelton - University of British Columbia, CA

Pamela H. Smith - Columbia University, US

How to Participate

Attendance is possible only after successful application. Full conference programme and application form accessible from www.esf.org/conferences/11365

A certain number of grants are available for students and early stage researchers to cover the conference fee and possibly part of the travel costs.