

DDD12 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

September 2015

Alba Iulia, Romania

We are pleased to invite you to attend the 12th biennial “Death, Dying and Disposal Conference” (DDD12) which will be held at the “1 Decembrie 1918” University of Alba Iulia, Romania, between the 2nd and the 6th of September 2015.

DDD12 is organised under the auspices of the Association for the Study of Death & Society (ASDS), the “1 Decembrie 1918” University of Alba Iulia, the Alba County Council and the National Museum of Unification, Alba Iulia, Romania. The main partners of this scientific event are Amurg, the Romanian Cremation Association and Pro Ignis Crematorium in Cluj, Romania.

This conference edition marks an important moment in the history of death studies for two reasons:

1. For the first time in the history of death studies, the DDD International Conference is hosted by an Eastern European country. This brings the opportunity of opening and expanding the field of death studies to reach other scholars.
2. The annual “Dying and Death in 18th-21st Century Europe International Conference” (ABDD) will join forces with the “Death, Dying and Disposal International Conference” (DDD12), thus strengthening the death studies in Europe and across the world.

Alba Iulia is a city full of history located in Alba County, in the heart of Transylvania, Romania, with a population of roughly 60 000 inhabitants. The main touristic attraction of Alba Iulia is the fortress with its seven bastions in a stellar shape, which was constructed between 1716 and 1735. The “1 Decembrie 1918” University of Alba Iulia and also the National Museum of Unification are located within the fortress. “1 Decembrie 1918” University of Alba Iulia is a public higher education and research institution founded in 1991 that has hosted the “Dying and Death in 18th-21st Century Europe International Conference” from 2008 to present.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The theme of the 2015 DDD International Conference is ‘**Eastern and Western Ways of Dying and Death**’. The conference welcomes papers from academics, professionals and practitioners from a wide range of disciplines on any issue which addresses this topic: history, anthropology, sociology, arts, literature, music, archeology, cultural studies, philosophy, religion, psychology, medicine, etc. Multi-disciplinary, interdisciplinary and comparative approaches are particularly encouraged. The main aim is to render visible the differences but also the similarities between Western and Eastern ways of understanding and socio-culturally constructing death, in order to foster and enhance the knowledge in the field of death studies.

Abstracts (between 250 and 350 words) and a list of keywords are expected no later than the **1st of April**. They should be submitted via our EasyChair system.

REGISTRATIONS

Conference registration opens in October 2013. Please follow the instruction on our website.

FURTHER DETAILS ON OUR WEBSITE

Please visit our website at <http://death-studies.ro/ddd12/> for additional information (keynote speakers, venue, accommodation, conference fee + early bird registration, grant applications).

We look forward to welcoming you to “1 Decembrie 1918” University of Alba Iulia, here in the heart of Transylvania!

Yours sincerely,
DDD 12 Conference Organising Team