WCAA Academic Precarity Task Force

Report of Activities 2021-2022

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The Task Force on Precarity has officially started its activities in April 2021 with the aim of promoting discussions on the effects of academic precarity for Anthropology. Our first efforts aimed at the establishment of a global team of people involved in both the discussion and political action against precarisation of academic labor.

Current members of the TF include: Vinicius Kauê Ferreira (Co-Chair - Rio de Janeiro State University, Brazil), Georgeta Stoica (Co-Chair - Centre Universitaire de Formation et de Recherche de Mayotte, France), Ana Leticia de Fiori (Federal University of Acre, Brazil), Ana Ivasiuc (PrecAnthro Liaison — Maynooth University, Ireland), Maria Debinska (Institute of Archaeology and Ethnology Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland), Soumodip Sinha (Delhi University, India).

Activities in 2022:

- Round Table at the 2022 EASA Conference, Belfast, 26-29 July 2023 "Mobilities and precarities in global academia: imaginaries, inequalities, and epistemologies between North and South"
 - Invited discussants: Alexandra Oanca (Leuven University, Belgium), Helen Macdonald University of Cape Town, South Africa), Leonardo Schioccet (Austrian Academy of Sciences, Austria), Marta Gentilucci (Centre Universitaire de Formation et de Recherche de Mayotte, France)
- Article published by Vinicius Kauê Ferreira and Georgeta Stoica "Precarity in Global Anthropology: Reflexions on the margins of the Global Survey of Anthropological Practice", Vibrant, v. 19, 2022. Available at: 10.1590/1809-43412022v19d707

Activities in 2021:

- Participation in the IUAES Yucatan Pre-Congress Discussion "Precarity in Anthropology"
 - Invited discussants: Vinicius Kauê Ferreira (Rio de Janeiro State University, Brazil), Georgeta Stoica (Centre Universitaire de Formation et de Recherche de Mayotte, France), Ana Ivasiuc (PrecAnthro Liaison Maynooth University, Ireland)

Activities planned for 2023:

 Round Table at the 2023 IUAES World Congress – "Academic precarity and the anthropological profession" Invited discussants: Rituparna Patgiri (Indraprastha College for Women, Delhi University, India), Marta Gentilucci (Centre Universitaire de Formation et de Recherche de Mayotte, France), Leonardo Francisco de Azevedo (Federal University of Juiz de Fora, Brazil), Ana Ivasiuc (EASA President)

- Organization of a Special Issue on *Precarity in Anthropology* involving the aforementioned scholars and discussions. (title and contents TBA).
- Meeting with Alexandra Oanca, the new EASA precarity officer, in order to discuss common actions between WCAA and EASA.