



## WCAA Academic Precarity Task Force

### Report of Activities 2023 and Work Plan for 2024

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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**. Since then, several meetings, round tables and participation to international conferences have been realized proving that the Precarity Task Force is an active one and collaborates with well-known associations such as EASA, RAI and PrecAnthro collective.

Current members of the TF include: *Vinicius Kauê Ferreira* (Co-Chair - Rio de Janeiro State University, Brazil, WCAA), *Georgeta Stoica* (Co-Chair – University of Mayotte, France/WCAA), *Ana Leticia de Fiori* (Federal University of Acre, Brazil), *Ana Ivasiuc* (RASA President & PrecAnthro Liaison), *Maria Debinska* (Institute of Archaeology and Ethnology Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland), *Soumodip Sinha* (Delhi University, India) and starting with October 2023 *Rituparna Patgiri* (India).

#### Activities realized in 2023:

- Establishment of a WCAA-EASA collaboration on precarity
  - o Several meetings (May-July) have been hold to propose a calendar of events jointly organized by our WCAA Task Force and EASA, with the participation of PrecAnthro;
  - o Starting with December 2022, several online meetings were organized in collaboration with EASA and RAI with the purpose of organizing online events on the topic of precarity. The **next conference is scheduled on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024** and is entitled *Precarity and Teaching of Anthropology*

<https://www.therai.org.uk/events/events-calendar/eventdetail/890/-/precarity-and-teaching-of-anthropology>

- Round Table at the 2023 IUAES World Congress, 14-20<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (University of new Delhi, India) – “Academic precarity and the anthropological profession” (in partnership with EASA and the IUAES Commission on Migration)
  - o Convenors: Georgeta Stoica (France, WCAA), Ana Ivasiuc (Ireland, EASA) & Vinicius Ferreira (Brazil, WCAA/IAUES)
  - Participants: Rituparna Patgiri (India), Marta Gentilucci (France), Leonardo Francisco de Azevedo (Brazil)

<https://iuaes2023delhi.org/panelabstractdetail.aspx?pid=247>

#### **Activities planned for 2024:**

- Round Table at the 18<sup>th</sup> EASA Biennial Conference in Barcelona, 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> July 2024 – “Precarity in the anthropological profession : issues and challenges”
  - o Convenors: Georgeta Stoica (France, WCAA), Rituparna Patgiri (India)
  - Participants: Rituparna Patgiri, Bhargabi Das (Shiv Nadar University, Delhi), Alexandra Oancă (KU Leuven), Mabrouk Boutagouga (University of Batna 1)
- Organization of a Special Issue on *Precarity in Anthropology* based on previous events and involving the aforementioned scholars (journal TBA).
- Setup of a Task Force’s blog for publicizing our activities and publishing short contributions from academics from all over the world.

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