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Organised by  
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## Wednesday 7 June

ELTE (Múzeum krt. / Kari Tanácsterem / Building A, Room 39)

15:30 – 15:40 Welcome & Opening Remarks

Session 1: Museumisation: Theory and Practice – Part 1  
Chair: Beatrix Mecsi (ELTE)

15:40 – 16:10 Gábor Ébli (Moholy-Nagy University of Art and Design Budapest)

Folk / Naïve / Contemporary / Tribal:  
A Dialogue of Art Clusters in Attila Raum's Collection

Plenary Lecture

Moderator: Yuka Kadoi (IAS-CEU)

Guest of Honour: His Excellency Ambassador Masato Ohtaka  
(Embassy of Japan to Hungary)

17:00 – 19:00 Yukio Lippit (Harvard University)

Japan's Shōsōin Imperial Treasury: Discourse and Display

## Thursday 8 June

Online

Session 2: Museumisation: Theory and Practice – Part 2

Chair: Beatrix Mecsí (ELTE)

9:30 – 10:00 Pavol Tišliar & Lucie Jagošová (Masaryk University Brno)

Museology in Brno: Current State and Perspectives

Session 3: Collecting Asian Art in Central Europe – Part 1

Chair: Beatrix Mecsí (ELTE)

10:00 – 10:30 Mariana Levytska (The Ethnology Institute NASU Lviv)

Muslim and Oriental Art in Lviv Museums:

History of Collections and New Perspectives of Representation

10:30 – 11:00 Magdalena Ginter-Frołow (Asia and Pacific Museum Warsaw)

“Journeys to the East”:

New Permanent Exhibition in Asia and Pacific Museum in Warsaw

ELTE (Múzeum krt. / Auditorium / Building B, Room 172)

Session 4: Situating Religio-Cultural Heritage in Central Europe

Chair: Helene Sinnreich (IAS-CEU)

13:00 – 13:30 Adrienn Papp (Budapest History Museum Budapest)

Religious Cultural Heritage in Ottoman Hungary

13:30 – 14:00 Zsuzsanna Toronyi (Hungarian Jewish Museum and Archives Budapest)

Fixtures at an Exhibition: Narrating Jewish History in Museums

14:00 – 14:30 Alice Mathea Choyke (CEU)

Who Let the Cows Out?

The Human-Animal Connection in Museum Exhibitions in Hungary

14:30 – 15:00 Coffee break

Session 5: Collecting Asian Art in Central Europe – Part 2

Chair: Beatrix Mecsi (ELTE)

15:00 – 15:30 Joanna Wasilewska (Asia and Pacific Museum Warsaw)

50 years of the Asia and Pacific Museum in Warsaw:  
From “Window to the World” to “Journeys to the East”

15:30 – 16:00 Bettina Zorn (Weltmuseum Vienna)

Two Case Studies from the Chinese Collection at Weltmuseum Wien, Austria

16:00 – 16:10 Short break

Session 6: New Modes of Representation  
Chair: Iván Szántó (ELTE)

16:10 – 16:40 Markéta Hánová (National Gallery Prague)

Asian Art in the Heart of Europe? Challenges for New Permanent Galleries

16:40 – 17:10 Maria Sobotka (Museum of Asian Art / Humboldt Forum Berlin)

One Curator, Two Collections:  
The Korean Collections of the Ethnologisches Museum and the Museum  
für Asiatische Kunst in Berlin's Humboldt Forum

Evening Lecture

ELTE (Múzeum krt. / Kari Tanácsterem / Building A, Room 39)

Moderator: Beatrix Mecsi (ELTE)

17:30 – 18:45 Shin So-yeon (National Museum of Korea Seoul)

The Renovation and Branding of the Exhibition Space  
for Pensive Bodhisattva Sculptures at the National Museum of Korea

## Friday 9 June

Museum of Ethnography

(Dózsa György út 35. entrance from Heroes' Square / Event Hall, 2 Floor, Lounge 1)

10:00 – 10:10 Welcome & Opening Remarks

Session 7: Ethno-cultural Heritage across the Globe

Chair: Yukio Lippit (Harvard University)

10:10 – 10:40 Dániel Margócsy (University of Cambridge)

The Hortus Malabaricus (1678–1696): The Beginnings of Colonial Botany

10:40 – 11:10 Yuka Kadoi (IAS – CEU)

(Re)Inventing Ethnonational Cultural Heritage:

National Museums across the Persian Gulf

11:10 – 11:40 Coffee break

Session 8: Beyond Ethnography: The Role of Museums in the 21st Century

Moderator: Gábor Wilhelm (Museum of Ethnography)

11:40 – 12:50 Roundtable discussion

Joanna Wasilewska (Asia-Pacific Museum Warsaw)

Markéta Hánová (National Gallery Prague)

Maria Sobotka (Museum of Asian Art / Humboldt Forum Berlin)

Bettina Zorn (Weltmuseum Vienna)

Shin So-yeon (National Museum of Korea Seoul)

12:50 – 13:00 Conclusion

13:00 – Curatorial Tours

(Szilvia Lakatos @ ZOOM / Vera Scheicher @ Ceramic Space)