

Conceptualization, Methodology and Research on Sinophone Borderlands and the Interactions on the Edges

November 2-4, 2022

Venue: Department of Asian Studies, Faculty of Art, Palacký University
Tř. Svobody 26, 779 00 Olomouc, Czech Republic

Call for Abstracts

“Sinophone Borderlands” is a classical representative of post-area studies - an interdisciplinary phenomenon encompassing various geographical locations inhabited by diverse political entities covering a wide range of socio-political and religious regimes, and at the same time, a dynamic space inhabited by many ethnic groups with very diverse cultures. This combination of such different political environments and socio-cultural spaces creates a unique study field that is highly interesting and yet profoundly challenging: it is a domain that is extremely difficult to spatially delineate, conceptualize, theoretically frame, and analyze.

The Department of Asian Studies, Faculty of Arts, Palacký University in Olomouc hosts the research project “*Sinophone Borderlands, the Interactions at the Edges*” (<https://sinofon.cz>), which targets “Sinophone borderlands” as its object of study. As we near the end of the project, we are hosting a workshop dedicated to “Sinophone Borderlands”. We are soliciting papers related to its conceptualization, methodology as well as research studies in the following target areas:

- Linguistics and literature
- Socio-cultural anthropology
- Material culture, industries, and modernization
- Political science and international relations
- Economy, development, and sustainability
- Migration and mobilities
- Economy, industries, and modernization
- Identities and modernizing discourse
- State-society Nexus: facing 21st Century Challenges
- Security and Borders

If you would like to participate in the workshop, please send us an abstract (up to 300 words, excluding references) of the conference paper. Authors with selected abstracts will be asked to submit a full paper, which (after a vigorous review process) will be published in a Sinophone Borderlands Reader. The editorial board of the Reader will apply for the volume to be indexed in Scopus. Authors of papers selected for publication will present their papers in the workshop with their travel expenses and accommodation covered by the organizer.

Please email your abstracts (and inquiries) to Dr. Filip Kraus: filip.kraus@upol.cz

Deadline for abstract submission: 15th June, 2022

Abstract acceptance notification: 30th June, 2022

Deadline for full-paper submission (if accepted): 15th September, 2022