

Curriculum vitae of Gábor Vargyas

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Field of interest

socio-cultural anthropology, anthropology of religion, material culture, culture change, tribal art, museology; Southeast Asia, Oceania.

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Work Experience:

2013–: head, Doctoral Program European Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology,
Interdisciplinary Doctoral School, Faculty of Humanities, University of Pécs
2011–: full time professor, Department of European Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology,
University of Pécs, Hungary
2010–: scientific councillor, Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences
2001 – 2007: head of the Department of Ethnography (later Dept. of European Ethnology and
Cultural Anthropology), University of Pécs, Hungary
1993–: associate professor in anthropology, Department of Ethnography, University of Pécs
1984–2010: senior research fellow, Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences,
Budapest
1979–1984: curator for Pacific collections, Ethnographical Museum, Budapest
1977–1979: PhD candidate, Department of Ethnography, ELTE University, Budapest

Education and Training, Scientific degrees:

2010: DSc (an academic title/degree in Hungary).
2008: Habilitation at the Department of European Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, The
University of Pécs. Dissertation: *Averting the unescapable. Religion and culture of the Bru
(Central Vietnamese Highlands)*.
1995: CSc (an academic title/degree in Hungary). Dissertation: *Bargaining with the divinities.
Illness and healing among the Bru of the Central Vietnamese Highlands*.
1981: PhD (summa cum laude) at ELTE University, Budapest. Dissertation: *Material Culture
of the Massim Area (of Southeast Papua New Guinea). The Ethnographical Museum's
Collections from the Massim Area*.
1976: Diploma (M.A.). ELTE University, Budapest. Major: cultural anthropology, European
ethnology. Dissertation: *Myths of the Origin of Death*.

Language knowledge

Hungarian, English, French, German, Russian, Bru-Vân Kiêu.

Fieldwork experience:

2007: 6 months in Dac Lac Province, Vietnam, studying culture change among a resettled Bru community.

1999: 2 months in Yunnan Province, China, among hill tribes, studying culture change and symbolism of folk costumes.

1996: 1 month among the Bru-Tri and Bru-Mangkong of Tchépone district, Savannakhet Province, Laos.

1993: 1 month, studying culture change in Irian Jaya (Asmat and Lake Sentani region), Indonesia.

1991: 1 month in Seoul, Republic of Korea, studying shamanism and spirit possession.

1985-1989: long term field research (altogether 18 months) among the Bru-Vân Kiêu of the Central Vietnamese Highlands (Huong Hoa district, Bin Tri Thien Province, Vietnam), studying subsistence agriculture, social structure, religion and shamanism, oral history, folklore and culture change.

1987: 2 months, studying culture change in the People's Republic of Congo (Brazzaville) and Angola.

1981-82: 3 months in Northeast Papua New Guinea (Madang, Morobe and East-Sepik Provinces), studying culture change and redocumenting old museum material in the field; four weeks of rock art research in Cape York Peninsula, Northeast Australia.

Project leadership

2005–2009: Department of European Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, The University of Pécs: „Marie Curie Host Fellowship for the Transfer of Knowledge (EU 6)”: „From Hungarian Ethnography to European Ethnology and to Social and Cultural anthropology” (942.000 Euros = 242.000.000 HUF).

2003-2006: T 042891 OTKA (National Scientific Research Fund) project („Brú photo-phono-video-thesaurus”, 5.000.000 HUF)

1999-2003: Department of Non-European Cultures, Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences: OTKA (National Scientific Research Fund) project (T 030581: „Ethnic processes and conflicts in the modern world”, 3.200.000 HUF)

1998: Department of Ethnography, The University of Pécs: Financed project (0484/1998: „Ethnographical fieldwork in the modern society”).

1991-1994: Department of Non-European Cultures, Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences: OTKA (National Scientific Research Fund) project (3110/91: „Culture change and modernisation in the third world”, 1.645.000 HUF)

Awards

2002: „Uránia” award at the Dialektus” Film Festival

2000: “The Most Important Intellectual Achievement of the Year”, The University of Pécs.

1984: “János Jankó “ award of the Hungarian Ethnographical Society

Elected/appointed positions, memberships

International

Member of the Steering Committee of the „European Consortium of Asian Field Studies”, representative of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (2007–2013).

Visiting professor and correspondent supervisor for PhD students of the Institute of Human Studies, Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences (Hanoi) (2007–).

Member of the Scientific Committee of “Péninsule” (Paris) (1999–)

Hungarian

Member of the Public Body of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (identification number: 11089)

Non-Academician Delegate for the General Assembly of the Department of Linguistics and Humanities of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (2016–)

Member of the Committee of Social Sciences and Humanities of the Council of Academic Research Institutes (2015–)

Member of the Ethnographical Committee of the Department of Linguistics and Humanities of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (1994–1996, 1999–2002, 2011–)

Member of the Pécs Committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. II. Specialized Committee of Philosophy, History and Ethnography (2011–)

Member of the Ethnographical Committee of the National Scientific Research Fund (OTKA) (1993–1996, 2002–2005)

Member of the Committee of Cultural and Artistic Studies (Ethnography – Musicology – History of Art) of the National Scientific Research Fund (OTKA) (2011–2014)

“National Excellence Program” (Eötvös, Jedlik etc. scholarships): consultant-specialist (2012 –)

Member of the Presidential Board of the Association for the European Centre for Traditional Culture (2007–2011)

Member of the Advisory Board of the Hungarian Heritage House (2006–)

Hungarian Ethnographical Society (member: 1973–; secretary: 1985–1988; secretary of the Non-European Branch 1991–2003; president of the Non-European Branch 2003–2006; member of the Steering Committee 1994–; vice-president 2012–)

Member of the Editorial Board of *Ethnographia* (2003–)

Editor of the yearbook “Ethno-Lore” (formerly “Népi Kultúra – Népi Társadalom”) of the Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences (2000–2008)

Editor of the yearbook of the Department of European Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology “*Studia Ethnologica Hungarica*” (2008–)

Funding editor of the series “At the crossroad of cultures” at L’Harmattan Publishers, Hungary (2000–)

Funding editor of the series “Occasional Papers in Anthropology”, Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences (1986–)

Co-editor of the series “Magyar Etnológia”, Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences (1998–)

Fellowships, study trips, conferences, lectures

2015: Lecture at the „Winter School” of „The International Max Planck Research School for the Anthropology, Archaeology and History of Eurasia” (IMPRS ANARCHIE), University of Halle-Wittenberg: „*Ritual Technologies on the Move*”.

– 1 month as guest professor at the Université de Toulouse 2 – Jean Jaurès, Département Sociologie et Anthropologie – Maison de la Recherche, Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire Solidarités, Sociétés, Territoires.

– Participation at the international conference „Le religieux dans l’espace public. Approches (historico-) anthropologiques” („Journée d’études”, Université de Toulouse 2 – Jean Jaurès). Lecture: *Déguisement rituel chez les Brou (les Hauts plateaux du Vietnam), ou comment rendre public un espace domestique.*

– Exhibition: „*Istenek, ősök és sámánok. Egy vietnami hegyi törzs, a brúk vallása. / Divinities, Ancestors and Shamans. Religion of a Vietnamese Hill Tribe, the Bru.*” Herman Ottó Museum, Miskolc, Hungary.

2014: Participation at the international conference „Nature Spirits: Continuity and Change” organised by the International Society for Folk Narrative Research Belief Narrative Network – Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia – Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation – Shota Meskhia State Teaching University of Zugdidi, Georgia. Lecture: *Nature-related spirits of the Bru (Central Vietnamese Highlands)*.

– Organisation of, and participation at the conference organised by the Institutes of Ethnology and of Musicology of the Research Centre for the Humanities, Hungarian Academy of Sciences for the centennial of the birth of Lajos Vargyas. Lecture: *Lajos Vargyas, editor in chief of the 5th volume of „A Magyar Néprajz”*.

2013: Exhibition: БОГОВИ, ПРЕЦИ И ШАМАНИ. Религија вијетнамског брдског племена Бру. / *Divinities, Ancestors and Shamans. Religion of a Vietnamese Hill Tribe, the Bru*. Vajdasági Fényképészeti Egyesület, Apollo Centre, Novi Sad, Republic of Serbia.

– Exhibition: БОГОВИ, ПРЕЦИ И ШАМАНИ. Религија вијетнамског брдског племена Бру. / *Divinities, Ancestors and Shamans. Religion of a Vietnamese Hill Tribe, the Bru*. Municipal Museum, Senta, Republic of Serbia.

– Exhibition: БОГОВИ, ПРЕЦИ И ШАМАНИ. Религија вијетнамског брдског племена Бру. / *Divinities, Ancestors and Shamans. Religion of a Vietnamese Hill Tribe, the Bru*. Municipal Museum, Subotica, Republic of Serbia.

– Exhibition: *Istenek, ősök és sámánok. Egy vietnami hegyi törzs, a brúk vallása./ Divinities, Ancestors and Shamans. Religion of a Vietnamese Hill Tribe, the Bru*. Picture Gallery, Szombathely, Hungary.

– Participation at the 11th international conference of the International Society for the Scientific Study of Shamanism (formerly International Society for Shamanic Research), Guiyang city, Guizhou Province, China. Lecture: *Soldier’s dog-tag in a shamanic headdress – a semiotic guerilla warfare?*

– „Györffy lecture” at the General Assembly of the Hungarian Ethnographical Society: *“Up” and “Down”: the Bru and Zomia. Are the Bru “Natives” in Zomia?*

– Participation in the Round Table and Comments on János Szulovszky’s paper: *Is there a Scientific Christian Approach to Folklore?*

2012: Participation at the 2nd International Conference of the Integrating and Developing European Asian Studies (IDEAS), Hongkong: “National and regional identities: appropriating the past”. Lecture: *Caught in the crossfire. The Bru and the Vietnam War as reflected through khõi Sarâng’s life history*.

– Participation in the General Assembly of the European Consortium for Asian Field Studies (ECAF) in Hongkong.

– Participation at the International Workshop „Peoples and Cultures of the Central Annamite Cordillera (Laos & Vietnam)” organised by the Central Annamite Indigenous Peoples (CAIP), Vientiane, Laos. Lecture: *The Bru and the Vietnam War*.

– Participating at the 3rd IT seminar “An East Asia Knowledge Infrastructure for Europe: Integrating State of the Art Electronic Resources for East Asian studies” organised by Integrating and Developing European Asian Studies (IDEAS), Bruxelles, Belgium.

– Participation at the yearly meeting of the „Steering Committee” of the European Consortium for Asian Field Studies (ECAF), Paris.

– Participation and Section presidency at the international „Body, Soul, Spirits and Supernatural Communication” conference organised by the Department of European Ethnology – Cultural Anthropology, University of Pécs, together with the II. Specialized Committee of Philosophy, History and Ethnography, Pécs Committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the ISFNR Belief Narrative Research Network.

– Organisation of the 9th Steering Committee Meeting of the IDEAS in Budapest.

– Participation at the 2nd IDEAS Policy Dialogue and Roundtable (Hanse Office, Bruxelles, Belgium) conference.

– Participation at the scientific session organised by the Centre Asie du Sud-Est (CASE), CNRS UMR 8170, Paris, commemorating the first anniversary of Georges Condominas' death. („Cheminements scientifiques avec Georges Condominas. Rencontre à l'occasion du premier anniversaire de sa disparition”).

– Participation at the international “Spirit possession” conference organised by the Department of European Ethnology – Cultural Anthropology, University of Pécs, together with the II. Specialized Committee of Philosophy, History and Ethnography, Pécs Committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the Wenner-Gren Foundation. Lecture: *To possess or to be possessed: how to delimit shamanism and possession in the Vietnamese Highlands?*

– Invited Presentation at the Department of Ethnography and Cultural Anthropology, University of Szeged: *Fieldwork in an Asian communist country, Vietnam.*

– Participation in the „Discoveries in the Humanities” Conference organised for „The Day of Hungarian Science” by the I. Department of Linguistics and Humanities of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Lecture: *Rediscovery of old values. A Vietnamese hill tribe, the Bru, in the Vietnam War.*

– Professional presentation (with Judit Csorba) of the film „...in order to be useful...” *Conversation with ethnographer Bertalan Andrásfalvy.* (Institute for Musicology, Research Centre for the Humanities, Hungarian Academy of Sciences.)

– Exhibition: *Istenek, ősök és sámánok. Egy vietnami hegyi törzs, a brúk vallása./ Divinities, Ancestors and Shamans. Religion of a Vietnamese Hill Tribe, the Bru.* Municipal Museum, Nagyatád; Skanzen Gallery of the Hungarian Open air Museum, Szentendre, Hungary.

– Exhibition: БОГОВИ, ПРЕЦИ И ШАМАНИ. Религија вијетнамског брдског племена Бру. *Istenek, ősök és sámánok. Egy vietnami hegyi törzs, a brúk vallása.* Vajdasági Fényképészeti Egyesület, Apollo Centre, Novi Sad, Republic of Serbia.

2011: Participation at the 2nd „Ethno-photo-graphics” conference: The ‘Digital ethnographer’. Problems and possibilities of digital photography in the social sciences. Miskolc Gallery, Miskolc, Hungary. Lecture: *New ancestors for old.*

– Professional presentation of the book “*Dialogue with the Tradition. Past, Present and Future of Hungarian Ethnographic Research*” at the Pécs Committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. II. Specialized Committee of Philosophy, History and Ethnography.

– Presidency of the PhD student conference of the Departments of European Ethnology – Cultural Anthropology, Pécs and of Ethnography, Cluj, Rumania.

– Opening speech of the exhibition „Cowrie and Magnifier Lens. Oceanic jewellery from the collection of Lajos Biró”. Ethnographical Museum, Budapest: *Cowrie and Magnifier Lens.*

– Professional presentation of the film „...in order to be useful...” *Conversation with ethnographer Bertalan Andrásfalvy.* Presented at the occasion of his 80st birthday both in the Assembly Hall of the University of Pécs and in the Cinema Hall “Urania”, Budapest.

– Exhibition: *Istenek, ősök és sámánok. Egy vietnami hegyi törzs, a brúk vallása./ Divinities, Ancestors and Shamans. Religion of a Vietnamese Hill Tribe, the Bru.* Municipal Museum, Sopron; Szatmár Museum, Mátészalka; Jacobin Hall, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest; Janus Pannonius Museum, Pécs; Municipal Museum, Nagyatád.

2010: Opening lecture for the 2010 Autumn Semester of the Faculty of Humanities, University of Pécs: *Learning, education and socialisation in the Vietnamese Highlands.*

– Exhibition: *Istenek, ősök és sámánok. Egy vietnami hegyi törzs, a brúk vallása./ Divinities, Ancestors and Shamans. / Religion of a Vietnamese Hill Tribe, the Bru.* Matyó Museum, Mezőkövesd, Hungary.

2009: organisation and presidency of the international conference “From Hungarian Ethnography to European Ethnology and Social and Cultural Anthropology” organised at Pécs

by the Department of European Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology of the University of Pécs and the Pécs Branch of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

– Participation at the International conference “Magical and sacred medical world” organised by The University of Pécs, Department of European Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology and by the Pécs Branch of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in cooperation with the Hungarian Ethnographical Society. Lecture: “Magic and Counter-Magic and the Social Position of the Bru Shaman-Sorcerer”

– 1 month in Paris at the “Groupe Société, Religions, Laïcités” UMR 8582 EPHE-CNRS, Paris in the framework of the academic cooperation between the HAS and the CNRS. Lecture: “Le riz, la déesse du riz et la faucille”

– Participation at the Steering Committee Meeting of the European Consortium for Asian Field Studies (ECAAF), Pondicherry, India

– Participation at the Steering Committee Meeting of the European Consortium for Asian Field Studies (ECAAF), Lisbon, Portugal

– Guest lecture at the Ethnographical Museum, Budapest in : “The Other”. “The other” in the Vietnamese Highlands.

– Hungarian Ethnographical Society: presentation of the series “Crossroads of Cultures” edited by myself.

2008: Participation at the Steering Committee Meeting of the European Consortium for Asian Field Studies (ECAAF), London

– 5 weeks in Vietnam, in the framework of the Hungarian-Vietnamese academic cooperation

– 1 week in Croatia: ethnographic fieldwork and creation of an open air museum for a Hungarian minority community in Croatia.

– Organisation of the Steering Committee Meeting of the European Consortium for Asian Field Studies (ECAAF) in Budapest, Hungarian Academy of Sciences

– 1 month at the Max-Planck-Institut für ethnologische Forschung/Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology (Halle, Germany); participation in the Vietnamese Project of the Institute

2007: 6 months of fieldwork in Vietnam. During this period occasional guest lectures:

– Provincial Museum, Ban Me Thuot, Dac Lac Province, Vietnam. Lecture: *Study of culture change among the Bru of Dac Lac.*

– Institute for Human Studies, Hanoi. Lecture: *Long term fieldwork among the Bru: 1985–2007.*

– Provincial Museum, Ban Me Thuot, Dac Lac Province, Vietnam. Lecture: *Results of Dr. G. Vargyas’s fieldwork among the Bru.*

– Institute for Cultural Studies, Hanoi. Lecture: *Elements of culture change among the Bru of Dac Lac.*

– Institute for Human Studies, Hanoi. Lecture: *Elements of culture change among the Bru of Dac Lac.*

– 1 month at the Max-Planck-Institut für ethnologische Forschung/Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology (Halle, Germany); participation in the Vietnamese Project of the Institute

– „International Conference on Modernities and Dynamics of Traditions in Vietnam. Anthropological Approaches.” Binh Châu, Vietnam. Lecture: *Soldier’s dog-tag in a shamanic headdress – a semiotic guerilla warfare?*

– The University of Pécs, Department of European Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology. Lecture: *Report on my fieldwork in Vietnam.*

– Ethnological Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest. Lecture: *Report on my fieldwork in Vietnam.*

– Hungarian Ethnographical Society, Budapest. Lecture: *Rice-soul plant and loud speaker. Culture change at the Bru of Vietnam.*

2006: 2 months at the Max-Planck-Institut für ethnologische Forschung/Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology (Halle, Germany); participation in the Vietnamese Project of the Institute

– 1 month in Vietnam in the framework of the Hungarian-Vietnamese academic cooperation. During it 1 week of preliminary fieldwork in Dac Lac province, Krong Pac district, Ea Hiu commune, in a resettled Bru community

– „Dialogue with the tradition” Conference organisation and presidency, the University of Pécs, Department of European Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology

2005: 2 weeks at the Max-Planck-Institut für ethnologische Forschung/Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology (Halle, Germany). Lecture: *The rice, the rice goddess and the sickle*.

– 1 week in Moscow at the Institute of Ethnography of the Russian Academy of Sciences in the framework of the Hungarian-Russian academic cooperation

– 1 week in Warsaw at the Institute of Ethnography of the Polish Academy of Sciences in the framework of the Hungarian-Polish academic cooperation

– „Object and Folklore” conference, Vaja, Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg County, Hungary. Lecture: *The Bru shamanic altar*.

2004: European Cultural Heritage Online (ECHO) conference, Budapest: „The History of the Pacific Collections of the Ethnographical Museum, Budapest.”

– „Vietnam on the Road to Development and Integration: Tradition and Modernity” conference, Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon), Vietnam. Lecture: „*The rice, the rice goddess and the sickle: „ritual technologies” on the move. On some religious problems connected with agricultural development among the Bru – Vân Kiều of Quang Tri.*”

– „Mask, metamorphosis, initiation” conference, Siklós, Baranya county, Hungary. Lecture: „*The metamorphosis of the Bru shaman*”.

2003: „Estonian-Hungarian Seminar on Current Researches on Folk Culture”, Tartu, Estonia. Lecture: „*Visual internet photo thesaurus. Problems of digitalisation of fieldwork materials.*”

2002: „Training Workshop in Collecting, Recording, Transcribing and Editing Oral Epics”, Dalat, Vietnam. 3 weeks (4 hours/day) lectures – intensive theoretic training for Vietnamese PhD students and young researchers.

– „Training Workshop in Collecting, Recording, Transcribing and Editing Oral Epics”, Hanoi, Vietnam. 2 weeks (4 hours/day) lectures – intensive theoretic training for Vietnamese PhD students and young researchers.

– „Ritual and feast at the turn of the Millenium” conference, Marcali, Somogy county, Hungary. Lecture: *The rice, the rice goddess and the sickle*.

– „Blessing and curse, miracle and witchcraft” conference, Budapest, Institute of Ethnology of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Lecture: *Shaman or witch, curer or black magician? Oath or ordeal in a Bru village in 1988*.

2001: „International Worksop on Mother Goddess Worship and the Phu Giay Festival in Comparative Perspective”, organised by the Institute of Folklore, National Center for Social Sciences, Hanoi, Vietnam. Lecture: *Divination in Bru Shamanism*.

– 7th International Conference of the SIEF (Société Internationale d'Ethnologie et de Folklore), Budapest, Hungary. Panel chairing.

– 2nd International Angkor Conference, organised by the Central European University, Budapest, Hungary. Lecture: *Contribution of ethnography to the history of Southeast Asia. The case of the Bru of Central Vietnam*.

– 1 week in Paris for the invitation of the Hungarian Institute in Paris, in the framework of "MagyArt" (Hungarian Cultural Season in Paris). Presentation of my book *A la recherche des Brou perdus* and launching of my film *Yao prong. Feast for the Helping spirit*.

– 6th International Conference of the ISSR (International Society for Shamanic Studies), Viljandi, Estonia. Film presentation: *Feast for the helping spirit*.

2000: International Workshop on "Microcosm – Macrocosm" in Budapest, organized by the Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Lecture: *Up/down, clean/polluted: human body and the house among the Bru of Vietnam*.

– 1 month in Paris, in the framework of cooperation among the CNRS and the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Lecture: *On Bru identity*.

1999: 6 months in Paris, as visiting professor at the CNRS, attached to the Université Paris X – Nanterre.

– 3 weeks in Paris, in Paris, in the framework of the scientific cooperation between the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales.

– International Workshop on "Demons, Spirits, Witches" in Budapest, organized by the Institute of Ethnology. Lecture: *Black Magic and Ordeal among the Bru of Vietnam..*

1998: International Convention of Asia Scholars, Nordwijkerhout, Netherlands. Lecture: *Dry rice and wet rice: markers of cultural identity amongst the Bru of Vietnam*.

– "Vietnamese Studies and the Enhancement of International Cooperation" conference in Hanoi (Vietnam). Lecture: *Continuity and Change amongst the Bru*.

1997: 3rd International "Euroviet" conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands. Lecture: *Continuity and Change amongst the Bru (Vân Kiêu) of Vietnam Central*.

– 2 weeks in Paris in the framework of the "Balaton project" (scientific cooperation between the Laboratoire d'Ethnologie et de Sociologie Comparé, University of Paris X. - Nanterre and the Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences).

– Hungarian Workshop on " Fate, Divination and Sacrifice", organized by the Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Lecture: *Bru divination*.

1996-1997: 1 year in Paris, visiting research fellow, attached to the Department of Anthropology, University of Paris X. - Nanterre.

1996: International Expert Meeting for the Safeguarding and Promotion of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of the Minority Groups of the Lao People's Democratic Republic", organized by the Lao National Commission for UNESCO and the Ministry for Information and Culture of the Lao PDR., Vientiane, Laos. Lecture: *The Bru-Vân Kiêu, a minority on both sides of the border*.

– Asian Minority Cultures in Transition. Diversity, Identities and Encounters", International Conference organized by the University of Münster, Germany. Lecture: *A Vietnamese Minority in Transition: the Bru*.

1995: visiting professor at the Department of Anthropology, University of Zurich, Switzerland (1 semester = 24 hours in a 1-month intensive course. Lectures on the anthropology of the Vietnamese Highlands and the Vân Kiêu)

– 1 month in Paris, as visiting professor at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales. Lectures on the religion of the Vân Kiêu.

– Hungarian workshop on "Afterworld", organized by the Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Lecture: *The Vân Kiêu's afterworld through their funerals*.

– Hungarian workshop on "The Conquest of Hungary (ninth century A.D.) in the light of anthropology", organized by the Committee for Photohistory of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Lecture: *Rethinking the totemism of the ancient Hungarians*.

1994: "International Expert Meeting for the Safeguarding and Promotion of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of the Minority Groups of Viet Nam", organized by the Vietnamese National Commission for UNESCO. Lecture: *The immaterial culture of the Bru. Safeguarding, promotion and revalorization*. (Paper read in my absence.)

1993: Pacific Arts Association, Fifth International Symposium, Adelaide, Australia. Lecture: *The Art of the Astrolabe Bay, Papua New Guinea. History of Research, Results and Future Research Orientations*.

– International Society for Shamanic Research, Second International Conference, Budapest, Hungary. Lecture: *The Headdress of the Bru Shaman*.

– Hungarian workshop on "Otherworlds", organized by the Hungarian Society for the History of Religion. Lecture: *The Bru otherworld*.

– 2 weeks in New York, USA, for the invitation of the Shamanic Video and Film Archive, in order to give lectures and edit a film on Bru shamanism.

– 2 weeks in Paris, France. Workshops on "Possession and shamanism", organized by the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, National Center of Scientific Research, (CNRS - LASEMA). Lecture: *Possession and Shamanism of the Bru-Vân Kiêu*; and "Divinities of the Earth in Southeast-Asia and the Himalaya" organized by the Department of Ethnology, University Paris X. - Nanterre. Lecture: *Divinities of Earth amongst the Bru-Vân-Kiêu*.

1992: European Association of Social Anthropologists, Second International Conference, Prague, Czech Republic. Comments on Professor Scheffel's "Anthropology and Ethics in Eastern Europe".

– Workshop on Korean shamanism, Centre of Korean Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies. Lecture: *Proofs of truth. Comparison of some forms of divination in Korean and Bru shamanic rituals*.

– "Hungarian workshop on cultural anthropology", organized by the Department of Cultural and Visual Anthropology, University of Miskolc, Hungary. Comments: "On action anthropology".

1991-1992: 1 year in Paris as visiting research fellow, attached to the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, National Center of Scientific Research (CNRS - LASEMA). During this year lectures at the Department of Anthropology, Nanterre University, at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, at different workshops and institutes of the CNRS.

1991: 1 month in Seoul, South Korea. Paper read at the 1st Conference of the International Society for Shamanic Research: *The Structure of Bru Shamanic Ritual*.

1990: 1 month in Paris, as visiting professor at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales. Lectures about Bru culture and religion.

– 1 week in Heidelberg, Germany, as a guest lecturer at the Südasiens Institut, University of Heidelberg: *The Feast of the Helping Spirit of the Bru Shaman*.

– Interim conference of the Pacific Arts Association, Paris, France, organized by the European Committee of the PAA. Lecture: *The Pacific Collections of the Ethnographical Museum, Budapest*.

1989: International conference of the International Society for Folk Narrative Research, Budapest, Hungary. Lecture: *A Preliminary Survey of Bru Folklore*.

1988: 1 month in Paris, in the framework of the scientific cooperation between the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, to process the data of my fieldwork amongst the Bru-Vân Kiêu (Central Vietnamese Highlands).

1987: 10 days in Paris, as guest lecturer. Lectures: *My study trip to the Bru-Vân Kiêu of Central Vietnam* at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales; and *Bru shamanism* at the École Pratique des Hautes Études, Section Religieuses.

1986: 1 week in West-Berlin, Germany, as a guest lecturer at Freie Universität, Berlin: *Bru Shamanism*.

1984: 1 month in Paris, within the framework of cooperation between the Hungarian Academy and the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, in order to prepare fieldwork in Vietnam.

1981-1982: 1 year post-graduate scholarship in Australia, attached to the "Department of Anthropology, The University of Sydney". During this year: 1 month study trip to New Zealand, in order to study Oceanic museum collections; 3 months fieldwork in Papua New Guinea; and 6 weeks in Cape York Peninsula (see also at fieldwork).

1980: 2 weeks study trip in former East-Germany, in order to study Oceanic collections in German museums.

– 1 month study trip in former West-Germany in order to study Oceanic collections in German museums.

1979: Workshop of the Theoretical Committee of the International Society for Folk Narrative Research at Visegrád, Hungary. Lecture: "The morphology of New Caledonian Folk Tale".

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