

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DATA

Name: SZABÓ
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Date and place of birth: 28.10.1975., Odorheiu Secuiesc, Romania

FIELDS OF RESEARCH

Ethnography of rural economy, economic anthropology, peasant studies, rural economic conditions, relation between ethnicity and economy, production of locality, changes of rurality, history of science.

HIGHER STUDIES:

2001–2008 PhD in ethnography and cultural anthropology, University of Debrecen, Faculty of Letters, Department of Ethnology
1999–2000: MA in socio-ethnolinguistics at “Babeş-Bolyai” University, Faculty of Letters, Cluj-Napoca.
1995–1999: BA in in Hungarian Language and Literature – Ethnology at “Babeş-Bolyai” University, Faculty of Letters

CURRENT POSITION

1. Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj – Romania, Faculty of Letters, Department of Hungarian Ethnography and Anthropology
Position and function: Assistant lecturer (2005–), part time lecturer (2002–2005)

LANGUAGES SKILLS

Hungarian – mother tongue
Romanian – advanced
English – advanced
Russian – intermediate

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES:

2009– research on relation of economic activities and ethnic groups in a Transylvanian micro-region
2010. 02–06 research on the shifts in the Scandinavian ethnology
2001–2008 researches in economic anthropology on the autonomous institutions that organize the economic life of the communities and the reciprocal work (Feernic Valley, Târnava Mică Valley, Trei Scaune Region)
2004–2008 The forms of the locality (*production of locality*), the changing structures of identity in the context of the national and regional level
2003–2004 Rural research program: the economic and development problems of a micro-region (Târnava Mică valley, coordinator)
2001–2002 Patrimoine et dialogue entre les cultures, Lyon–Budapest–Debrecen–Cluj.
1999–2000 Micro-research on representation of gypsies in a community, economic relations between Gypsies and Hungarians

- 1998–2000 Research on rural economy, sheep farming and community in Magyarlóna (Luna de Sus)
- 1996–1997 Interethnic researches in a Covasna county village

CHANGE OF EXPERIENCES, VISITING PROFESOR:

- 2007 Visiting fellow at Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary
- 2010 Research fellow at the Department of Archaeology, History, Cultural Studies and Religion, University of Bergen

STUDY AND RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2009– Postdoctoral research grant BOLYAI (Hungarian Academy of Sciences)
- 2004–2007 Individual research grant of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences
- 2003–2004 Research grant for workgroups of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences
- 2001–2004 PhD scholarship of Ministry of Education (Hungary) for Hungarian students abroad

MEMBERSHIP IN SCIENTIFIC ORGANISATIONS

- Member of the Society of Hungarian Scientists and Scholars
- Member of Kriza János Ethnographical Society
- Member of EASA
- Member of SIEF

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

(the last three years)

- 2010 **Crisis and imagination. 11th EASA Biennial Conference.** Maynooth, Ireland 24–27th August. (*Where are the tourists? Shifting production, changing localities in a Szekler village*)
- 2009 **Two Decades of Scholarship: Romani Studies in Romania (1989-2009).** Organizer: Institutul pentru Studiarea Problemelor Minorităților Naționale. Cluj, 9-10 October. (*From local to external resources: ethnicity and economic strategies in a Transylvanian village*)
- 2009 **16th Conference of the SIEF's International Ethnocartography Network.** Organizers: Department of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, University of Szeged, Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Szeged, 12-14 September (*Fading regional borders? The viewpoint of rural economy and lifestyle*)
- 2009 **Conference Series on Theoretical and Practical Issues of Built Heritage Conservation – Tusnad 2009,** ARMIT – Colțești, 27-28 May, (*The use of family buildings as form of socio-economical adaptation*)
- 2008 **Orientation in the Occurrence. Interdisciplinary approach to the complex cultural processes.** Organizer: Department of Hungarian Literature, Babeș-Bolyai University and Department of Modern Literature, University of Pécs, Cluj, 17–18 of October (Presentation: *How does ethnography shape between events and ethnographic Interpretation*)
- 2008 **The empiric research of ethnicity – dilemmas. Annual conference of Research Institute of Ethnic and National Minorities.** Budapest, 11–12 of

- June. (Panel *Work, statute and consumption*)
- 2008 **The changes of the roles and the forms of the communities in folk society.** Organizer: Hungarian Ethnographic Society, Szeged–Domaszék, 17–18 of April (Presentation: *Ideologies and demands related to community. The change of the rural economy through to prism of an association*)
- 2008 **“Eye – Vision – Look. The opportunities of the observant”** University of Pécs, Cultural Studies PhD Program. Pécs, Hungary, 28–30 of March
Presented paper: “*The Expropriation of the Story in Ethnographic Interpretation.*”

LIST OF SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS:

- 2009 *Kooperáló közösségek. Munkavégzés és kapcsolatok a falusi gazdálkodásban.* [Cooperating communities. Work and Relations in Rural Economy]. Mentor, Târgu Mureș
- 2002 *Közösség és intézmény. Stratégiák a lónai hagyományos gazdálkodásban.* [Community and Institution. Strategies in Lóna’s Traditional Farming.], Kriza János Ethnographic Society, Cluj-Napoca

STUDIES:

- 2010 *From local to external resources: ethnicity and economic strategies in a Transylvanian village.* In: Fosztó László – Toma Stefánia (eds.): *Two Decades of Scholarship: Romani Studies in Romania (1989-2009).* Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities Kolozsvár, 2010. (forthcoming)
- 2010 *Fading regional borders? The viewpoint of rural economy and way of life –* Acta Ethnographica Hungarica (forthcoming)
- 2010 *Etnikai különbségtétel a paraszti gazdaságban.* [Ethnic differences in peasant economy] In: Feischmidt Margit (szerk). *Különbségteremtő társadalom,* Gondolat–MTA Kisebbségkutató Intézet, 266–280.
- 2009 *Erőforrások, stratégiák, szükségletek. Gazdasági és társadalmi adaptáció a családi épületek használatában.* [Resources, strategies, demands. Economic and social adaptation in the use of family buildings.] In: Szabó Bálint (szerk). *Többnemzetiségű régiók népi építészet.* Utilitas Kiadó, Kolozsvár, 31–46.
- 2009 *How does the story take shape between events and ethnographic interpretation?* In: Berszán István (ed.): *Orientation in the occurrence.* Komp-Press, Kolozsvár, 85–94.
- 2009 *Etnikumok, hagyományőrző falvak* [Dél-Erdély és Bánság népi kultúrája]. [Ethnicities, traditional villages. The folk culture of South Transylvania and

- Banat] In: Horváth Gyula (szerk.): A Kárpát-medence régiói. Dél-Erdély és Bánság. MTA–RKK – Dialóg Campus Kiadó, Pécs – Budapest, 430–443.
- 2009 „...jelen voltam...a kalákai mulatságban.” *A kalákák és a nem munkajellegű tevékenységek kapcsolata.* [Relations between work parties and forms leisure of activities] In: Bali János – Turai Tünde (szerk.): Életút, írások. Szilágyi Miklós tiszteletére. MTA Néprajzi Kutatóintézet – ELTE BTK Néprajzi Intézet, Budapest, 250–256.
- 2008 *Együttműködési formák falun: történeti összefüggések és változások.* [Forms of cooperation in rural areas: historical connections and changes] In: Jakab Albert Zsolt – Keszeg Vilmos – Szabó Á. Töhötöm (szerk.): Kultúrakutatások és értelmezések. BBTE MNAT – KJNT, Kolozsvár, 223–250.
- 2008 *A megtartó közösségtől az elmaradt faluig és vissza.* [From the ideal community to the backward village – and back] In: Ilyés Sándor – Jakab Albert Zsolt – Szabó Á. Töhötöm (szerk.): Lenyomatok 7. Fiatal kutatók a népi kultúráról. BBTE MNAT – KJNT, Kolozsvár, 99–129.
- 2008 *Anthropological Challenge - Ethnographic Tradition. The Quiet Transition of the Hungarian Ethnography in Romania.* Studia Ethnologica Croatica, Zagreb, 2008., vol. 20, str. 161–180.
- 2008 „Akció indul!” *A történet kisajátítása az etnográfiai értelmezésben.* [The interpretive appropriation of stories in ethnography] BUKSZ, 20., 2., summer, 125–130.
- 2006 *Tájak változatossága, hagyományok gazdagsága: népi kultúra Észak-Erdélyben.* [Ethnographic regions in Northern Transylvania] In: Horváth Gyula(ed.): A Kárpát-medence régiói. Északnyugat-Erdély. MTA–RKK – Dialóg Campus Kiadó, Pécs – Budapest, 399–414.
- 2006 *Morális elvek az erdélyi falusi gazdálkodásban.* [Moral Principles in Transylvanian Rural Economy]. Tabula, 2006. 9/2 187–212.
- 2006 *A kooperáció mint agrárstratégia. A gazdasági környezet és a fejlődés kérdései.* [The cooperation as agrarian strategy. The aspects of economic milieu and development] In: Peti Lehel – Szabó Á. Töhötöm (eds.): Agrárörökség és specializáció a Kis-Küküllő mentén. Nis Kiadó, Cluj-Napoca, 101–151.