

Common European Heritage

Museums, Borders, Intercultural Understanding and Increasing Communication Between Border Communities

Workshop: 15-16 September 2005

Village of Tsamantas, Thesprotia, Epirus, Greece

Provisional Programme

The workshop will take place in the grounds of the **Folklore Museum of Tsamantas**. Accommodation has been reserved for most of participants at the Hotel *Xenonas Lias* (www.strade.gr) from the 15th to the 16th of September inclusive. This small hotel (10 rooms only) is located in the neighbouring village of Lias, 7 kms from Tsamantas. We shall arrange transfers between the hotel and Tsamantas. (Because of the hotel's limited capacity we hope that some participants will be accommodated by residents of Tsamantas.)

Thursday, 15 September

14.00-15.30 Registration, Folklore Museum of Tsamantas

15.30 Guided tour of the Museum by its founder, Kostas Zoulas

16.00 Welcome messages by the Mayor of Filiates, Head of the Community of Tsamantas, President of the Museum and the representative of St. Georges Hellenic Society of Tsamanta (Worcester, Ma), USA.

16.15: Opening presentations by Dimitrios Konstadakopoulos and Sarah Blowen (University of the West of England), '*The economic, social and cultural transformation of the community of Tsamantas during the twentieth century*', and '*Museums, Borders and Cultural Understanding*'.

17.00 – 17.45 Round Table Discussion

18.00 -19.30 Wine reception and dinner at Tsamantas hosted by the Community of Tsamantas

19.45 Transfer to Xenonas Lias

Friday, 16 September

7.00-8.30 Breakfast, Xenonas Lias

08.30 – Transfer to Tsamantas; visit and guided tour of St. George's Monastery at Kamitseni.

09.30 – 11.30 A short presentation by participants on their experience on aspects of economic development, cultural policies, border communities and/or the role of museums in border areas in promoting local economic development.

10.30 -11.00 Coffee

11.30-12.30 Two working groups on economic development and museum management.

13.00 A buffet lunch, Folklore Museum of Tsamantas

14.00-15.30 Round table discussion; end of the workshop.

15.30-16.30 Coffee

16.30 -17.00. Meeting of organisers for future action; free time to see the village of Tsamantas.

18.00 Transfer to Xenonas Lias

20.00 Workshop Dinner at Xenonas Lias, hosted by the Municipality of Filiates