

# 19<sup>th</sup> International Saga Conference SAGAS & OTHERNESS KATOWICE – KRAKÓW 3 – 8 AUGUST 2025

Katowice, 16 October 2023

# 1<sup>st</sup> Circular Letter

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is our pleasure to welcome you to the Nineteenth International Saga Conference, which will take place in Katowice and Kraków on 3 - 8 August 2025.

In this first circular we present you with the main theme and thematic strands of the conference. The conference website will be updated regularly and all information concerning the conference will be found there:

## saga2025.us.edu.pl

or

https://us.edu.pl/wydzial/wh/en/konferencje-naukowe/sagaconference2025/

The main theme of the Nineteenth International Saga Conference will be Sagas and Otherness.

This theme will be divided into the following strands:

- Christianity and Pagan Beliefs
- Meeting the Other in the Mythical World
- o Medievalism and the Sagas / Reception of the "Other" in Old Norse Literature
- o Methodological Diversity in Old Norse Studies

Instead of an "open session," we will be accepting proposals for round table discussions or small sections, in accordance with recent conference practice. The participants may suggest their own topics interpreting the main theme of the conference. The programme will also include plenary lectures.



The conference will be held at the University of Silesia in Katowice and the Jagiellonian University in Kraków.

Participants will be responsible for booking their own accommodation in Katowice, where majority of the conference sessions will take place. In late summer 2024, we will post accommodation suggestions on the conference website.

The programme will include one day (Thursday) dedicated to excursions.

### **Important Dates**

October 2023: 1<sup>st</sup> circular February 2024: 2<sup>nd</sup> circular and call for papers 1 June 2024: deadline for submission of abstracts October 2024: review of abstracts completed November 2024: 3<sup>rd</sup> circular, conference fees and payment procedure February 2025: 4<sup>th</sup> circular – preliminary programme published March 2025: online registration opens June 2025: 5<sup>th</sup> circular – final programme published

### **Contact Information**

For further information about the conference please contact: saga2025@us.edu.pl

or visit the website: saga2025.us.edu.pl

This circular is being sent to those who participated in the last two Saga Conferences. Please forward it to others who might be interested.

We look forward to seeing you in Katowice and Kraków in 2025!

Yours sincerely, the organising committee:

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