

April 30, 2025

CAS Representative Report regarding ICS-17 (the 17th International Congress of Slavists, to be held at Sorbonne-Paris University, *AUGUST 25-30, 2025)

*Note that the end date has been corrected from August 29 to 30.

LINK to ICS-17 [MKS Paris 2025 - Sciencesconf.org](https://mksparis2025.sciencesconf.org)

ICS-17 site

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CAS Participation in ICS-17

Presentations May 1, 2025 marked the deadline for the FINAL submission of approved Papers (with a basic requirement of 5 pages and bibliography) from the respective national committees to the Organizing Committee of ICS-17 in Paris for eventual posting on the ICS-17 website. On April 30, I emailed pdfs of EIGHT CAS papers to Paris (note that the quota allotted to CAS by the ICS was 10). In addition, and separately, ONE CAS scholar will be presenting a paper at a Thematic Block (note that Thematic Block proposals do not require review by CAS or any other national committee, but are reviewed separately by the ICS-17 Organizing Committee in Paris).

ICS-17 Book Exhibit

On Monday, August 25, the first day of ICS-17, during the Registration period, from 9:00-14:00, in the Hall du Centre Malesherbes, there will be a Book Exhibit, where all participating national committees can display monographs and edited volumes authored by their members over the period 2019-2024 (see my announcement of xxx for details). As of **May 1** I have received SIX books (donated by CAS colleagues or their publishers). It is possible that two more will still arrive before May 7 (the extended deadline). I will be sending all the books that have arrived in a single parcel to Paris on **May 8**, Thursday, by Canada Post, to allow ample time for them to arrive by the June 1 deadline set by the Organizing Committee in Paris.

Proposed ICS reforms will NOT be discussed again until after ICS-17

For a summary of the reforms proposed by the ICS Working Group and of some of the ensuing discussion at the ICS zoom session (March, 2023), please refer to my Reports of March 2023 and last year's annual report to CAS (May 1, 2024). Please note that contrary to my prior understanding and what was stated in my ICS-17 report to CAS in 2024, NO final decision regarding any of the proposed reforms will be made at the ICS Plenary Session of the national representatives at the time of ICS-17 in Paris in August 2025, NOR, in fact, will this issue be

discussed at that time. Instead, the issue of the ICS reforms will be taken up again in the MKS zoom sessions which will be held in the interval between the end of ICS-17 and the time of ICS-18 in Prague in 2029 (the centennial anniversary of the first ICS, which was held in Prague in 1929).

With best wishes,

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