COST A35 – Programme for the Study of European Rural Societies (PROGRESSORE)

Third Workshop of Working Group 3 ("Peasant Societies")

INHERITANCE PRACTICES, MARRIAGE STRATEGIES AND HOUSEHOLD FORMATION IN EUROPEAN RURAL SOCIETIES

May 15–17, 2008

Rákóczi Castle, Sárospatak (Hungary)

MAY 14, WEDNESDAY

14.00 – 21.00 Arrival and registration of participants

MAY 15, THURSDAY

09.00 – 09.30 Welcome addresses in the Temple of Muses (Rákóczi Castle)

09.30 – 13.30 First Session

Chair: Jürgen Schlumbohm (Max-Planck-Institut für Geschichte, Göttingen)

Discussant: Sølvi Sogner (University of Oslo)

- **Rosa Congost** (University of Gerona) – **Llorenç Ferrer i Alós** (University of Barcelona) – **Julie Marfany** (University of Cambridge): The formation of new households in a single heir system: the Catalan case (18th–19th centuries)
- **Ofelia Rey Castelao** (University of Santiago de Compostela): Inheritance, marital strategies, and the formation of households in rural north-western Spain in the 18th and 19th centuries
- **Fabrice Boudjaaba** (CNRS, France): Inheritance systems determine the Household formation or Household systems determine inheritance practices? Nuclear families, egalitarian system and exclusion of endowed daughters in Normandy (1750–1830)
- **Steven King** (Oxford Brookes University): Too poor to marry? 'Inheritance', the poor and marriage/household formation in rural England 1800–1840s

11.00 – 11.20 Coffee break

11.20 – 13.30 Comments and open discussion

13.30 – 15.00 Lunch
15.00 – 18.00 Second Session

Chair: Anne-Lise Head-König (University of Geneva)

Discussant: Erich Landsteiner (University of Vienna)

- **Jane Gray** (National University of Ireland, Maynooth): Household formation, inheritance and class-formation in 19th century Ireland
- **Richard Paping** (University of Groningen): The eternal quest for a farmstead: Farmers behind the Northern Dutch dikes, 16th – 20th century
- **Alice Velková** (Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic): Marriage and property transfers in rural environment – Western Bohemia, 1700–1850

16.10 – 16.30 Coffee break

16.30 – 18.00 Comments and open discussion

19.00 Dinner

MAY 16, FRIDAY

09.00 – 13.00 Third Session

Chair: Sølvi Sogner (University of Oslo)

Discussant: Jürgen Schlumbohm (Max-Planck-Institut für Geschichte, Göttingen)

- **Irina Chernyakova – Oleg Chernyakov** (Petrozavodsk State University): Strategic or instinctive choice? Local Karelian peasants' community in nineteenth century Northern Russia striving to survive
- **Herdis Kolle** (Bergen University): Household division and headship attainment in nineteenth-century Central Russia (*Bun'kovskaia volost'*, Moscow Province, 1834-1969)
- **Siegfried Gruber** (University of Graz): Inheritance, marriage and household formation in 19th century rural Serbian life-courses
- **Péter Pozsgai** (Corvinus University of Budapest): Inheritance and marriage: strategic decisions for preserving the viability of the peasant holding in Hungary (19th century)

10.30 – 10.50 Coffee break

10.50 – 13.00 Comments and open discussion

13.00 – 15.00 Lunch

15.00 – 19.00 Fourth Session

Chair: Erich Landsteiner (University of Vienna)

Discussant: Péter Pozsgai (Corvinus University of Budapest)

- **Sofia Holmlund** (Stockholm University): Family strategies or individual choice? Marriage and inheritance in a rural Swedish community, 1810–1930
- **Violetta Hionidou** (University of Newcastle upon Tyne): Marriage, inheritance and household formation on a Greek island, 1859–1950
- **Anne-Lise Head-König** (University of Geneva): Inheritance practices, marriage, household and parental power in rural Switzerland (1860–1960)
- **Krzysztof Gorlach – Zbigniew Drąg** (Jagiellonian University, Cracow): Facing the giants: Polish family farms under communism and post-communist transformation

16.30 – 16.50 Coffee break

16.50 – 19.00 Comments and open discussion

19.30 Dinner

MAY 17, SATURDAY

09.30 – 13.00 Fifth Session

Chairs: **Anne-Lise Head-König** (University of Geneva) and
Jürgen Schlumbohm (Max-Planck-Institut für Geschichte, Göttingen)

- **General discussion and conclusions of the COST A 35 WG3 Third Workshop at Sárospatak**

13.30 Lunch

MAY 18, SUNDAY

Departure of participants