

Dear Members: I enclose the current ACLALS Newsletter and Secretary K.Firth's subscription renewal reminders which go with our greetings and best wishes for 1996.

EVENTS 1995

The major event of this year was the 10th. ACLALS Triennial Conference held last August in Colombo, Sri Lanka. In spite of the tragic and turbulent times afflicting that beautiful island, the conference was quite well attended by over 200 participants -some 35 from Europe- who were able to enjoy interesting and well-organized academic sessions as well as some undisturbed travel in the country. Professor Goonetilleke is to be congratulated in having achieved this successful meeting under difficult circumstances. It was particularly satisfying to note the unusually large attendance of Indian members -more than 50- who were favoured by proximity of the venue to the sub-continent.

At this conference it was decided that the ACLALS Chairmanship for the next 3 years would pass to Prof. E.Emenyonu of Nigeria. Subsequent events in that country- the execution of Ken Saro Wiwa and his companions and the suspension of Nigeria from the Commonwealth- will oblige us to reconsider this chairmanship and venue. The matter is at present being debated among the Regional Chairpersons.

At the Annual Conference of the German Association for the Study of the New Literatures in English, held in the University of Trier, September, 1995, a Statement was unanimously passed requesting the ACLALS executive to consider some other African country as a venue for the next conference

European Association for Studies on Australia. At the 1995 Biennial Conference held in Copenhagen, Professor Xavier Pons of the University of Toulouse was elected to be the new President. I enclose details of the Proceedings of the 1993 Sitges Conference now available in Barcelona.

CONFERENCES TO BE HELD IN 1996

University of Oviedo, Spain. EACLALS Triennial Conference. "Translating Cultures". 26-30 March. Information from Isabel Carrera & M.S. Suárez Lafuente. Filología Anglógermánica y Francesa. Campus de Humanidades. Universidad de Oviedo. 33071 OVIEDO. SPAIN. Fax: 34-8-510 4546. Tel. 34-8-510 4545. Hotel Reservations: to be made through Viajes Tebas/ Melquíades Alvarez 25. 33003 Oviedo. Fax. 34-8-522 7841. Owing the shortage of accomodation, participants are advised to make bookings by early January.

University of Zaragoza, Spain. "New Exoticisms in Literature, Film & Other Media in English." 21-23 March, Information: Isabel Santaolalla, Dept. Filología Inglesa. Facultad de Filosofía y Letras. Universidad de Zaragoza. 50009 Zaragoza. Spain. Fax:34-76-761519. E.Mail: i.santaolalla@msf.unizar.es

University of Exeter. "New Aboriginalities". Artists & Scholars will discuss a range of issues related to cultural identities, politics and visual arts. 25-28 April. Enquiries to Dr. Peter Quartermaine, Director AmCAS. Queen's Building. The Queen's Drive. Exeter EX4 4QH.U.K Fax: 0044 1392 264377

Congrès de la SAES. Nancy. May 1996. "Cultures, Rights/Rites and Voices Abstracts by 15 January. Information: Martine Piquet. Université de Cergy-Pontoise. 27 rue Guy Sourcis 95310. Saint-Ouen l'Aumône. Fax. 33-1-34 21 82 54 / or/ Francine Tolron. Université d'Avignon. "Le Prokoviev", bat.A. 5 rue de l'Esplanade. 13086. Aix-en-Provence. Rel. 33 42 26 64 84

Staffordshire University. "City Limits", an interdisciplinary conference addressing problems of 'centre' from the perspective of 'margin'. 300 word abstracts before January 12 to: Judith Robinson. School of Arts.P.O.Box 661. Staffordshire University. College Rd. Stoke-on-Trent ST2 XW. Fax: 01782 294760. E.Mail: j.m.robinson @ staffs.ac.uk. Conference dates: 11-14 September.

Universität Konstanz. "Spaces In-Between. Negotiating Boundaries in Post-Colonial Writing". 11-15 September. Information: Dr.Monika Reif-Hülser. Universität Konstanz. Anglistik/Amerikanistik.Postfach 5560, D 161. D.78464 Konstanz. Germany.

FURTHER INTO THE FUTURE

Potchetstroom University. "Conrad & Postcoloniality" "Heart of Darkness Centenary Conference". 26 March-1 April, 1998. Information: A.M. de Lange. Dept. of English Language & Lit. Potchetstroom University. 2520 Potchetstroom. SOUTH AFRICA. Fax: +27 148 299 1562. E.Mail: ENGAMD@Puknet. PUK.AC.ZA

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