

At the 10th international [SIEF](#) (Société Internationale d'Ethnologie et de Folklore) Congress, "People make places - ways of feeling the world" to take place in Lisbon, 17 to 21 April 2011, a [call for papers](#) (deadline: October 15) on "The pragmatics of religious transmission: contexts, case studies and theoretical departures" for a panel convened by [Ruy Blanes](#) (University of Lisbon), [Vlad Naumescu](#) (Central European University), and [Arnaud Halloy](#) (Université de Nice Sophia Antipolis):

"The issue of religious transmission and learning has become a thriving topic in the contemporary anthropology of religion. Driven by the creative tension between cognitive and culturalist approaches it prompts interesting debates and exchanges, and the exploration of new methodological and heuristic paths addressing the problem of transmission.

In this panel we invite our colleagues to explore pragmatic contexts of religious transmission: the complex of communicational and active conditions that affect (through perception, cognition, emotion, interaction and materiality) individuals engaged in religious action. From this perspective, religious transmission operates through both implicit and explicit regimes. It can take complex and defined forms in ritual contexts, but it can also impregnate various contexts of the quotidian through different dimensions and agencies: discipline, imagination or aesthetics. Taking these as fundamental dimensions of religious transmission, we invite participants to reflect on their articulation in concrete ethnographic cases."