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## APPEL À CONTRIBUTIONS

### L'Institut d'études slaves : acteur de la slavistique

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The Institut d'études slaves was founded a hundred years ago. A scholarly society housed in the residence of Ernest Denis at 9 rue Michelet in Paris, it was created over a period of four years. This period comprised a quick succession of events including a triumphal visit to Bohemia by Ernest Denis "that friend of the Slavic peoples", his death in 1921, and the purchase of 9 rue Michelet by the inchoate Czechoslovak Republic that transferred the building to the University of Paris, to create a centre for Slavonic Studies. This period culminated in the founding of a scholarly journal in 1921 by Paul Boyer, André Mazon, and Antoine Meillet, and the inauguration of the centre in the presence of French dignitaries and those of various Slavic countries.

Beginning in 2019, the Institut d'études slaves will commemorate this eventful period by celebrating its centenary. The Institut continues to uphold a set of objectives following the terms laid out by Ernest Denis to "promote the scientific study of Slavic matters, and to render them visible; to be a centre of scholarly learning, and to further mediate between Slavic life and French life in all of its fullness." Antoine Meillet further ascertained asserted the Institut's objectives for research and scientific exchange: "We have to study the Slavic peoples, their languages, their literatures, their practices, their institutions, and to further provide a home to Slavic students in Paris, as well as an intellectual home for French and foreign slavists."

Currently the *Revue des études slaves* is planning for the publication of a special volume dedicated to the foundation of the Institut d'Études Slaves and the intellectual life that came into being as a result of its creation. The intended volume is meant to reflect the objectives of the Institut at the time of its foundation, which included a geographic and political, along with a disciplinary openness:

- Accessible to all of the Slavic countries, and beyond that, to all of the countries of Central Europe, Eurasia, and the Balkans.
- From its foundation, all of the Humanities – in the broadest sense of the term, including also the Social Sciences – are included.
- The volume will also accord a place for work done on documentation and archives, as the Institut has collected and continues to collect materials, whether books, manuscripts, or correspondence, that were entrusted to it and which constitute the heritage and historical wealth of the centre.

The goal of this volume will be to gain an idea of the impact that the activities of the associated scholars and personalities of the Institut had on enlarging our knowledge of the Slavonic world, both within France and beyond. The articles may be in monographic form, directly related to one or several of the areas covered and dealing with the reception of research initiated by, undertaken at, or in collaboration with the Institut.

Proposals by potential contributors should include a title in French and in English and a short article summary (15 lines, 400 words) and are to be sent to the office of the *Revue des études slaves* by **September 1, 2018** for consideration. Articles by contributors selected by the committee should be sent to the editorial board by **January 31, 2019**. Articles should not exceed 40 000 characters, spaces included. The editorial board of the *Revue des études slaves* will prioritise new research, based on archives and unedited materials held by the Institut. Contributors may choose to write their articles in French, English, or Russian.