

PREFACE

In 1992, *Papers on Anthropology* started to appear at the University of Tartu as a regular collection of the Centre for Physical Anthropology headed by legendary Helje Kaarma. Since then, *Papers on Anthropology* has been published every year. From 1992 to 2013, a single issue was published annually, but in 2014 a change was introduced, and the collection became a journal appearing twice a year. Now there is time for new changes. The biannual publishing frequency will be kept in the future, but changes will affect the editorial board and the structure of the issues. There is a clear need to expand the editorial board and to find new associate editors. The changes in the structure of the issues will involve new categories of papers. The first step will be introducing review papers in addition to regular research articles. The second change in the structure will involve specialized issues. We hope to increase the number of specialized issues focused on some of the topical problems of physical anthropology. The structure of the issues will be then that the first annual issue will be 'non-specialized' and the second one will frequently be a 'specialized' issue. With the larger editorial board, we hope to increase the area of expertise and, by that, the capability to target the areas for 'specialized' issues which could attract interest of larger groups of readers.

As a new editor of *Papers on Anthropology*, I hope that the afore-mentioned changes will increase the competitiveness of our journal and we eventually get both more readers and new authors.



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