

4. EARLY CAREER WORKSHOP IN ETHNOMUSICOLOGY

7th and 8th of November 2025

Department for Musicology, University of Münster

Dear students and doctoral candidates,

The National Committee for Germany of the **International Council for Traditions of Music and Dance (ICTMD)** warmly invites you to the 4th Early Career Workshop in Ethnomusicology. This year, the workshop will take place at the Department of Musicology at the University of Münster.

Our goal is to offer a platform for the exchange and discussion of ideas and to encourage networking among early career ethnomusicologists.

The workshop is primarily aimed at B.A. and M.A. students, as well as doctoral candidates working in the field of ethnomusicology – or who work in related fields with ethnomusicological topics. If capacity allows, we're also happy to consider recent PhD graduates.

We welcome a wide range of contributions – from more 'traditional' presentations, presentations of finished or planned projects, feedback sessions and/or discussions of e.g. thesis chapters, but also more 'experimental' formats such as collections of ideas/brainstorming's or musical group analysis. Feel free to be creative! Contributions can be submitted in German or English. We also want to ensure there's plenty of time for discussion and (peer-)feedback after each presentation.

Additionally, we plan to offer a practice-orientated workshop session for the more general, everyday topics of the academic life and the exchange of personal experiences. Please let us know if you have any particular topics you'd like to talk about! This might include academic writing/teaching, power relations in academia, or career paths in musicology. On Saturday there will also be an opportunity to visit the ethnomusicological collections in Münster (Collection Dietrich, Collection Neubauer).

You can expect:

- Getting to know each other and exchanging personal research experience,
- Networking with other young ethnomusicologists,
- Presentations of individual research project and discussion of these in a small group,
- Learning about the ICTMD and getting the opportunity to help organize future workshops.

Time and Place:

Friday the 7th and Saturday the 8th of November 2025 at the offices of the Project Corpus Musicae Ottomanicae (CMO, at Domplatz 6, 48143 Münster, Germany). On Friday we will start around noon; on Saturday we will begin in the morning and (depending on the how many presentations we have) end in the late afternoon.

Participation:

Please send us a short description of your planed presentation, your work or project (in German or English, approx. 1 page), including topic, research question, methods, structure, and state of work to ictmd-nachwuchs@gmx.net by 31st of May. You can also participate without giving a presentation, simply send us a short letter of motivation, also by 31st of May.

We are trying to raise funding to support travel expenses, but we cannot guarantee any subsidies. Please inform yourself about possible funding (e.g. university societies, travel grants, etc.).

Participation is free of charge. ICTMD membership is not required but can be applied for at the workshop if you are interested.

Application deadline: 31st of May 2025.

We are look forward to receiving your applications!

(in the name of the organizers)

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