**Pre-symposium Hiking Itinerary for Serbia - August 2023**

 This summer, in preparation for the 18th annual GASi Symposium, the Group Analytic Practice of Dallas (GAPD) has put together a three-day hiking trip (19th- 21st August), which begins and ends in the beautiful city of Belgrade, Serbia (see details below). Much like we did in Berlin as a hike and bike experience, we will begin each day with a social dreaming matrix hosted by Teresa von Sommaruga Howard (London) and Dale Godby (Dallas) and end each day with a median group to prepare us for the symposium: *When Divided Worlds Meet: Confluences of Identity, Culture, Continuity and Change.*

**Day 1 (19th August):** Depart from a specified hotel near the Symposium venue at 9 am and embark on a 2-hour motor coach journey to the starting point of the day’s hike, Kablar Mountain. This will be a 13.7 km trek through pristine land formations. Lunch will be served midway through the hike and there will also be the option to visit nearby monasteries, swim in indoor thermal springs or relax and enjoy the surrounding beauty. We will dine together and spend the night in Bogutovac village after our first median group of the trip

**Day 2 (20th August):** Breakfast in Bogutovac village, followed by our first social dreaming matrix. We then grab our day packs and hiking poles and proceed to complete a 10 km hike through an area filled with native oak and beech trees in the heart of the Cemerno Mountain. In the afternoon we will tour the Studenica monastery and Royal Complex. Upon completing our hike, we will be transported to Rudno village where we will dine, hold our second median group and spend the night.

**Day 3 (21st August):** We will begin the day with a traditional Serbian Mountain breakfast! After our second social dreaming matrix, we will set out on a 16.5 km hike to Izubra River Canyon, home to breathtaking waterfalls and a UNESCO-protected biosphere among other natural treasures. After circling back to the inn where we began the day, we will enjoy a hearty lunch and then transport back to the same Hotel we began in Belgrade where we will engage in our final median group. We will then have a couple days to explore Belgrade before the GASi symposium which takes place the 23rd-27th of August, 2023.

Panacorp (a subsidiary of Lufthansa) will be organizing and facilitating the hiking guides, accommodations and meals.

**Pricing:**

Prices are per person with double twin sharing the price per person will be 355 EUR. Single supplement is 56 EUR. The price includes all motorcoach transportation, comfortable rural tourist household accommodations, experienced hiking guides, picnic lunches on hiking days and lunch on final day, entrance fees to swimming, Studenica, etc. Some meals will need to be paid by each participant on site.

Payment will be made in the form of a $150EUR deposit for twin/double rooms and $200 EUR deposit for single rooms with the remaining balance due no later than 10 days prior to the beginning of the trip. The Group Analytic Practice of Dallas will be offering two scholarships for Symposium participants as well.

If you would like additional information about scholarships or to put a deposit on a participant spot, please email Melissa Black mblackphd@gmail.com with your full name, mailing address, email address so that I can have Panacorp send preinvoices with all bank details with IBAN for the bank transfer.