

Report by the EURHO Secretariat for the period 2021–2022

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This report about the activities of the EURHO Secretariat covers the period between the General Meeting on 22 October 2021 (online as video conference via Zoom) and the General Meeting on 20 June 2022 in Uppsala/Sweden. It includes the following activities: (1) the EURHO website, (2) the Rural History Newsletter (RHN), (3) the online event *Rural History in Europe (RURHE)* and (4) other administrative activities.

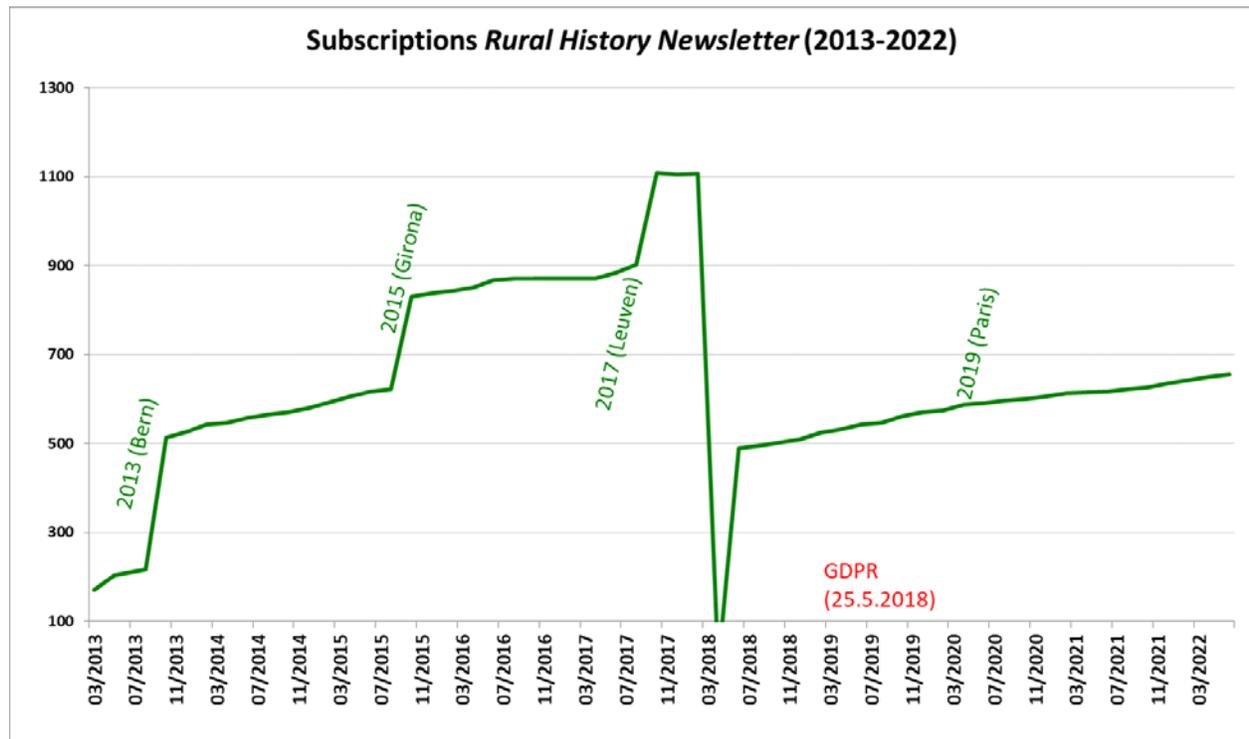
1. EURHO website

The website of the EURHO (www.ruralhistory.eu) has been regularly updated at the Institute of Rural History (IRH) in St. Pölten/Austria. The contents to be updated comprised, among others, the new members of the Management Committee, the new institutional members, the conference Rural History 2021 (Uppsala, Sweden), the links collection and – last but not least – the newsletter.



2. Rural History Newsletter (RHN)

Since the last report, the number of subscribers to the RHN has been growing steadily. Currently, 654 subscribers from all over the world receive a digest of new issues of the RHN every other week.



The scope of the RHN has not changed much in the past year. The mailings primarily contain calls for panels, papers or articles, information on conferences, workshops, seminars, exhibitions and other events. The RHN also regularly includes the TOCs of new issues of the most important journals and books series within the field as well as links to online-reviews of recent publications. Due to the changes that have taken place as a result of the travel restrictions as part of the measures against the Covid 19 pandemic, more and more online content has become the focus of the RHN. The RHN is actively used by EURHO members to disseminate information about events, new publications and vacancies in the field of rural history.

3. Online event *Rural History in Europe (RURHE)*

On 30 March 2022, an online event, hosted by the IRH in St. Pölten, took place. This was an initiative by Zsuzsanna Varga and Enikő Rűsz Fogarasi. The goal was to bring the EURHO membership closer again and revitalise our community before the Uppsala conference. The theme of this “pioneer event” was the book series *Rural History in Europe (RURHE)*, published by Brepols. Among the sixteen volumes, three were presented by the editors after the

introduction of Gérard Béaur, the director of the editorial board. About 50 visitors participated in this event.

4. Other administrative activities

The Secretary also settled a couple of minor administrative activities. These comprise the answering of requests by visitors of the website, handling matters of association regulation and administration with the Austrian authorities, the communication with the organisers of the conference Rural History 2021 and the preparation of the MC and General Meetings 2022.