

Dear colleagues of the ERICarts Network,

I have been researching the culture and history of bread for many years. First as part of [The European Food Project](#) from 1995 to 2004 (ERICarts Institute, Bonn) and then as part of the international program [Bread Cultural Heritage](#).

A new project – a book is planned – I am currently working on deals with **the word "bread"**, not etymologically and linguistically, but from the aspect of meaning. First of all, this can be learned from short narratives about the meaning of the word bread (stories, proverbs, fables, sayings, etc.) in culture, tradition and customs: „cultural identity cards”, that are directly or indirectly related to the word bread.

Linguists and historians often reduce the etymology of names to the laws of sound, and do not respect the laws of meaning. And this despite of the fact that certain names can acquire a completely unexpected and mocking meaning in comparison with a purely phonetic expression.

I would be very grateful if you would help me in the realization of the project. By sending me some short narrative related to the word bread in your language, or send contact details of a person who could possibly help me.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and help.

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