



**Myths, Memories and Economies:
Post-Socialist Transformations in Comparison**
9th Genealogies of Memory International Conference
28-30 October 2019, Warsaw

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PROGRAMME

DAY 1: 28 October (Monday), University Warsaw Library

9:15-9:40

Introduction

Rafał Rogulski – director of the ENRS

Małgorzata Pakier – head of the Academic Department at the ENRS

9:40-10:00

Opening remarks

Veronika Pehe, Joanna Wawrzyniak – conference convenors

10:00-11:30

Keynote lecture: Johanna Bockman

The Other Washington Consensus: Remembering Socialism in Washington, DC

Chair: Veronika Pehe

11:30-12:00 Coffee break

12:00-13:30

Roundtable: From Socialist Internationalism to Capitalist Globalisation and Beyond

James Mark

Bogdan Iacob

Tobias Rupprecht

Chair: Joanna Wawrzyniak

13:30-14:30 Lunch

14:30-16:15

Panel 1. Key Narratives

Florian Peters, *Shock Therapy Mythologies: Contested Memories of Poland's Balcerowicz Plan*

Muriel Blaive, *Velvet Revolution, Economic Reforms, and Lustration: A Trilogy Imposed by Circumstances or by Political Rivalry? Essay in Counterfactual History*

Wolf-Rudiger Knoll, *A "Bad Bank" of Transformation: The Role of the "Treuhandanstalt" in the Collective Memory of East Germans after Reunification*

Chair and discussant: James Mark

16:15-16:45 Coffee break

16:45-18:30

Panel 2. Social memory: contested or consensual?

Rigels Halili, *Post-communist Transformation, Social Memory and Blaming of the "Other" – the Case of Albania*

Jill Massino, *Pluralism or Plutocracy? Popular Expectations and Perspectives of Economic Change in Post-socialist Romania*

Andrzej Pabisiak, *Thirty Years After: The Collective Memory of Transition in Poland based on Research on Polish Sejm Transcripts*

Chair and discussant: Saygun Gokariksel

18:30-20:00 Dinner

DAY 2: 29 October (Tuesday), University Warsaw Library

9:30-11:30

Panel 3. Memory and Agency

Veronika Pehe, *"Let's Start a Business": The Memory of Entrepreneurship and the Czech Student Generation of 1989*

Gazela Pudar Drasko, *Post-Socialist Transformation in Serbia: Critical Perspective of Intellectuals*

Katarzyna Waniek, *Biographical experiences of transformation in the cohort born 1980-1990. A case analysis*

Chair and discussant: Oldřich Tůma (tbc)

11:30-12:00 Coffee break

12:00-13:30

Keynote lecture: Thomas Lindenberger *Transformation through Unification = Unification through Transformation? Regimes of Truth and the Discontent of Memories in the German Transformation Regime*

Chair: Muriel Blaive

13:30-14:30 Lunch

14:30-16:30

Panel 4. Cultural Memory and Economy

Alex Condrache, *That is how Billionaires Smoke: The Nouveau Riche of the Transition in Romanian Post-Communist Cinema*

Olga Gontarska, *Cinema without an Audience: Experience of Transformation Depicted in Ukrainian films*

Saygun Gökarıksel, *"The Great Betrayal": 1989 and the "Secrets" of Poland's New Capitalism*

Chair and discussant: Ksenia Robbe

16:30-17:00 Coffee break

17:00-18:30 (TBA)

DAY 3: 30 October (Wednesday), University Warsaw Library

9:30-11:00

Keynote lecture: Adam Mrozowicki

Coping with System Change: the 'Grand History' of Transformation and Biographical Experiences of Polish Workers

Chair: Małgorzata Pakier

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-13:30

Panel 5. Memory and Labour

Till Hilmar, *Drawing Moral Lessons from Economic Transformations: Economic Memory, Deservingness and Social Relations in post-1989 (East) Germany and the Czech Republic*

Anna Calori, *Nostalgia for the Global: Peripheralization in a (post)socialist Bosnian Workplace*

Joanna Wawrzyniak, Karolina Mikołajewska, *Nostalgia and Moral Economy in Post-socialist Industry: Poland*

Mariusz Jastrząb, *How Did We Survive? Official Corporate Histories from the Period of Systemic Change*

Chair and discussant: Florian Peters

13:30-14:30 Lunch

14:30-16:00

Keynote lecture: Martin Schulze Wessel

Universalist and Particularist Policy Legitimations in the Transformation Period

Chair: Jan Rydel

16:00-16:30 Coffee break

16:30-18:15

Panel 6. Current Echoes of the Transformation

Sabine Stach, *Guiding through Memory: A Case Study on (Post)Communism Tours*

Bartłomiej Krzysztań, *Capitalizing Socialism in Postcolonial Georgia. Post-socialist Economic Reality and Structure of Memory on Peripheral Flea Market*

Mykola Makhortykh, *We Were Hungry, but we also Were Free: (Counter)Narratives of the Russia's first post-Soviet Decade on Instagram*

Chair and discussant: Bogdan Iacob

18:15-18:30

Final remarks

Veronika Pehe and Joanna Wawrzyniak

About the Project:

Genealogies of Memory in Central and Eastern Europe is an international academic project run since 2011. Its aim is to facilitate academic exchange between Central and East European scholars of individual and collective memory, and to promote this region's study of memory among the broader international academic community through workshops, seminars and conferences.

Małgorzata Pakier and Joanna Wawrzyniak
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