







Totalitarianism in Communist-Era Europe Reconsidered

April 10-11, 2019 | Jerusalem



Special allocation in memory of Arseny Roginsky (1946-2017)



Wednesday, April 10, 2019

Mt. Scopus, Beit Maiersdorf Faculty Club, room 501

10:30-12:00 Session 1. Soviet Totalitarianism: Theory & Practice

Chair: Jonathan Dekel Chen, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Efraim Podoksik, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Michael David-Fox, Georgetown University

Jan C. Behrends, Center for Contemporary History (ZZF, Potsdam)

12:00-12:30 Coffee Break

12:30-14:00 Session 2. Was Communist Eastern Europe Totalitarian?

Chair: Michael Bernhard, University of Florida

Jan Kubik, Rutgers University, UCL

Pavel Kolář, University of Konstanz

Juliane Brauer, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin

14:00-15:00 Lunch

15:00-16:30 Session 3. Memory and Legacy in Post-Communist Europe: Remembering and Describing the Communist Past Today

Chair: Moshe Zimmerman, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Tobias Ebbrecht-Hartmann, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Alexey Levinson, Levada-Center and Higher School of Economics, Moscow
Volodymyr Kulyk, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine



Statue of Lenin replaced by the Trident (Tryzub), the state coat of arms of Ukraine. Taras Shevchenko Boulevard in Kyiv. Photo by S. Barnai

16:30-17:30 Reception

Greetings:

- Menachem Ben-Sasson, Chancellor of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- Leonid Nevzlin, Founder of the Nadav Foundation
- Michael Segal, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities

Prize recipients' announcement: international competition for an outstanding scholarly publication on *Jews and Illiberal Regimes in Eastern Europe after 1917*

Prizewinners: Kamil Kijek and Yuri Radchenko

Municipal Community Center, Jaffa St. 36

19:00 Public event: *Neo-Stalinism and Russian Society Today* (in Russian) Participants: Lev Gudkov, Irina Karatsuba, Nikita Sokolov, Nikolay Svanidze, Elena Zhemkova



Thursday, April 11, 2019

Mt. Scopus, Beit Maiersdorf Faculty Club, room 405.

10:30-12:00 Session 4. States and Societies: Dealing with Jews and

other Minorities under Communist Regimes

Chair: Yaacov Ro'i, Tel Aviv University

Kateřina Čapková, Institute of Contemporary History, Prague

Dina Moyal, Tel Aviv University

Veljko Vujačić, European University at St. Petersburg

12:00-12:30 Coffee Break

12:30-14:00 Session 5. National Minorities in Soviet-Style Regimes:

Victims or Beneficiaries?

Chair: Semion Goldin, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Samuel Barnai, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Kamil Kijek, University of Wrocław

Juliane Fürst, Center for Contemporary History (ZZF, Potsdam)

14:00-15:00 Lunch

15:00-16:30 Session 6. Present Lives of Totalitarian Pasts

Chair: Yitzhak Brudny, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Andriy Kohut, Archive of SBU (Security Service of Ukraine)

Tomas Vaiseta, Vilnius University

Alexander Smoljanski, Media Analyst and Filmmaker, Berlin

16:30-17:00 Coffee Break



Soviet kitchen.
Reconstruction from the exposition of "Vabamu Museum of Occupations and Freedom", Tallinn.
Photo by S. Goldin.

17:00-18:30 Session 7. The Communist Past and the Future of European Politics

Chair: Laurence Weinbaum, Israel Council on Foreign Affairs / WJC, Jerusalem Kirill Rogov, Liberal Mission Foundation, Moscow Yaroslav Hrytsak, Ukrainian Catholic University, L'viv Michael Bernhard, University of Florida

19:00 Special Dinner



Baking Matzah for Passover, Walbrzych, Poland. Late 1940ies. Archives of the Department of the Jewish Studies at the University of Wroclaw.

Wypiek macy na Swieto Pesach w Walbrzychu.

Participants

(in alphabetical order)

- 1. Samuel Barnai (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- 2. Jan Berhends (ZZF, Potsdam)
- 3. Michael Bernhard (University of Florida)
- 4. Juliane Brauer (Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin);
- 5. Yitzhak Brudny (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- 6. Kateřina Čapková (Institute of Contemporary History, Prague)
- 7. Michael David-Fox (Georgetown University)
- 8. Jonathan Dekel-Chen (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- 9. Tobias Ebbrecht-Hartmann (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
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- 12. Yaroslav Hrytsak (Ukrainian Catholic University, L'viv)
- 13. Kamil Kijek (University of Wrocław)
- 14. Andriy Kohut (Archive of SBU, Kyiv)
- 15. Pavel Kolář (University of Konstanz)
- 16. Jan Kubik (Rutgers University, UCL)
- 17. Volodymyr Kulyk (Institute of Political and Ethnic Studies, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Kyiv)
- 18. Alexey Levinson (Levada-Center and Higher School of Economics, Moscow)
- 19. Dina Moyal (Tel Aviv Uiniversity)
- 20. Efraim Podoksik (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- 21. Yaacov Ro'i (Tel Aviv University)
- 22. Kirill Rogov (Liberal Mission Foundation, Moscow)
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- 24. Tomas Vaiseta (Vilnius University)
- 25. Veljko Vujačić (European University at St. Petersburg)
- 26. Moshe Zimmerman (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
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Kukryniksy. Caricature denouncing the "doctors-wreckers", "Krokodil", №3. January 30, 1953. From the collection of MIEVR (Moscow)



Muzeon Park of Arts (formerly the Park of the Fallen Heroes or Fallen Monument Park), Moscow. Photo by S. Barnai

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