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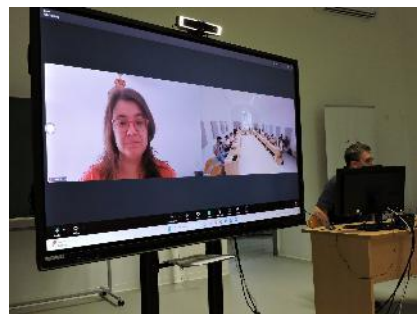
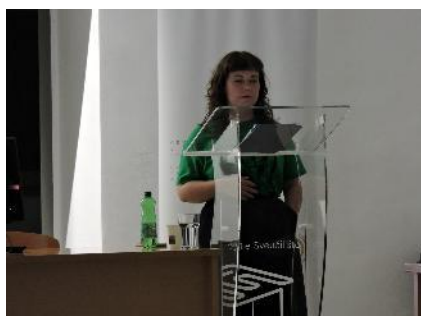
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11th Doctoral Workshop held in Pula



The [11th Doctoral Workshop: Systems of Governance](#) was successfully held last week, 27-30 August. For the first time, the venue was the new campus of the University of Pula, in Negri Street, where both the Centre for Cultural and Historical Research of Socialism and the Department of History are based. As organisers, we were pleased to host 19 doctoral students from 15 universities in Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Norway, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, and Croatia. The keynote speakers were Mike Tyllesley (Manchester Metropolitan University), Ana Kladnik (University of Graz/University of Maribor) and Marko Zajc (Institute of Contemporary History, Ljubljana). Among the lecturers was also Igor Duda, the head of the organising team, in which Tina Filipović, Sara Žerić and Anita Buhin have been active for many years. This year, the cooperation was established with Kino Katarina from Pula through which Ivana Mihaela Žimbrek and Marta Baradić prepared an evening screening of documentaries on women's double burden in socialist Yugoslavia. The workshop was supported by the University and the Faculty of Humanities, as well by the participants themselves through the participation fee. Have a look at the [photo](#) gallery (mainly by Antun Dulibić, CKPIS external associate) which is available on the CKPIS Facebook page.



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CONFERENCES AND CFP

Memory Matters. Non-Human Agents in Memory Studies, Regensburg, 5-6 February 2026

The 2026 Graduate Workshop of the Graduate School for East and Southeast European Studies at the University of Regensburg invites early-career scholars to explore the role of non-human, elemental, and material actors in shaping cultural memory. Rather than viewing objects, materials, geographical strata and the environment as mere backdrops, the highlight should be how they function as both archives and agents of subversive memory practices, especially in contested or marginalised spaces. The workshop should serve as a platform to address theoretical difficulties that arise from focusing on materialities in the context of memory studies and as a venue to present empirical case studies. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 1 October 2025

Foucault at 100: Echoes and Encounters in Central and Eastern Europe, Prague and Warsaw, 1-2 June 2026 and 4-5 June 2026

Over the past thirty years, scholars both from CEE countries and those working on issues related to this area have produced numerous books, articles, and studies influenced, either primarily or partially, immediately or mediated by Foucauldian perspectives, which opened up conceptually new horizons. Many of these publications have become benchmarks in their respective disciplines. As Foucault's popularity in CEE coincided with major political upheavals and new challenges, could this reception be considered a search for intellectual alternatives to the political thought which supposedly undergirded previous communist regimes? Was it hoped that Foucault's thought could provide a new social perspective? ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 15 November 2025

CfA: "Postwar Societies: Trauma and Reconciliation", Balkanistic Forum

The third issue of the Balkanistic Forum - "Postwar Societies: Trauma and Reconciliation", by editors Snezhana Dimitrova, Janja Jerkov, and Ana Luleva, will be focused on societies in transition and on their social and political transformations. Papers addressing the relations between victims and persecutors (with emphasis on the new identities, the victim), shock and traumatic past, trauma, memory, and history, as well as the institutions of reconciliation, and transitional justice are welcomed. Is forgiveness possible? The researchers from social sciences, arts, and humanities are called to submit the original papers in English regarding the past and present of the Balkans and Central and Eastern Europe within this thematic register and prospect. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 1 November 2025

Imagining the Revolution: Cultural Transfers and Reinterpretations of 19th-Century Revolutionary Experiences in Europe, Budapest, 7-8 November 2025

The conference aims to examine the concepts and representations of various kind of 19th-century revolutions, uprisings, rebellions, upheavals, struggles for freedom or independence and civil wars within an international comparative context. The period under consideration is the “short” 19th century, i.e. the decades between the aftermath of the Congress of Vienna (1815) and the Paris Commune (1871). The conference welcomes contemporary and retrospective interpretations and re-interpretations of revolutions occurred during the above given time-span across various domains, including historiography, education, propaganda, visual culture and literature of the broadest sense.

[\(Read more\)](#)

Application deadline: 7 October 2025



PUBLICATIONS

Selin Çağatay et al., *Women's Labour Activism in Eastern Europe and Beyond: A new transnational history* (UCL Press, 2025)

This collaborative monograph presents a deeply researched, inclusive history of women's labour activism in Eastern Europe, Austria, Turkey and transnationally, from the age of empires to the late twentieth century. It explores women's activism and organizing to improve the working conditions and living circumstances of lower-income and working-class women and their communities in the region and internationally. Combining a regional focus and transnational perspectives, the authors examine the sources of women's labour activism in the region and the role of activists from the region within international women's, labour and inter-state organizations. Through a study of diverse contexts, the authors follow women aligned with a wide range of political persuasions, highlighting unexpected elements and continuities of women's labour activism. [\(Read more\)](#)

Tjaša Konovšek, *Slovenska politična tranzicija (1989-2004)* (Inštitut za novejšo zgodovino, Ljubljana 2024)

The book focuses on the level of the Slovenian republic: first as one of the Yugoslav socialist republics; after the dissolution of the federation and independence, as a nation-state that looked towards Europe; and, finally, as a republic that has once again transferred a part of its rights to a supranational entity, this time the European Union. In this respect, the central transition period is directly linked to the existence of Slovenia as an independent nation-state, a republic in which a certain political culture has developed and a specific political space has been shaped, both of which resulted from the processes, structures, and customs of the socialist era, especially in the initial years of the transition. [\(Read more\)](#)

Ivan Huljev et al., *(Ne)vjeruj pripovjedaču. Slučaj dječjeg lječilišta u Krvavici (Sveučilišna tiskara, Zagreb 2025)*

Dječje lječilište u Krvavici kod Makarske, arhitekta Rikarda Marasovića, kulturna je zgrada iz 1960-ih, smještena na obali Jadrana. Zaštićeno je nepokretno pojedinačno kulturno dobro i remek-djelo arhitekture kasnog modernizma koje od početka 2000-tih polagano propada. Ova publikacija priča je o povijesti mjesta, stvarnim i paralelnim životima jedne zgrade, originalno namijenjene liječenju djece s respiratornim bolestima. Knjiga donosi interdisciplinarna istraživanja i tekstove o prošlosti zgrade i samom autoru iz različitih rakursa. Publikacijom smo nastojali obuhvatiti protagoniste okupljene oko građanskih inicijativa za zaštitu i revitalizaciju ovog objekta, kao i stanare zgrade koji već godinama žive u neposrednoj blizini centralnog objekta, čija je sudbina vezana uz njegovu. ([Read more](#))

**POSITIONS, GRANTS AND STIPENDS****One-year scholarship program sponsored by the Free State of Bavaria for graduates of Central, Eastern and Southeastern European states**

For the academic year 2026/27, the Free State of Bavaria will once again be awarding one-year scholarships to graduates (with appropriate citizenship) from Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia and Ukraine. The scholarship is intended to finance postgraduate studies (i.e. Master's programs), PhDs or one-year research stays at a state or state-funded higher education institution in Bavaria. The one-year scholarship can generally be extended twice for up to 3 years. The one-year scholarship program promotes academic exchange and scientific cooperation between Bavaria and Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 1 October 2025

3-4 Fellowships, Center for Eastern European Studies, University of Zurich

For the spring semester 2026, the Center for Eastern European Studies (CEES) at the University of Zurich offers 3-4 residential fellowships to highly talented and innovative young or mid-career scholars from the field of social sciences or humanities with a research focus on historical or contemporary topics related to Eastern Europe, Russia, the Caucasus, or Central Asia. Fellow is expected to pursue her or his independent research in residency and to participate actively in the scholarly activities of the CEES. The Fellow will have access to the relevant libraries and the interdisciplinary community of experts associated with the CEES. The Fellow will hold a lecture, seminar or workshop on his or her research topic. The Fellow is also expected to publish her or his findings in one of the CEES publication outlets. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 1 October 2025

Pre-doctoral fellowship in Regensburg for 2026, IOS Regensburg

The project “A small but fertile field: strengthening Southeast European Studies in Regensburg” (seeFField) is pleased to announce a call for applications for 2026 pre-doctoral fellowship to start on 1 May 2026, with a maximum duration of six months. It is expected that within this funding period, and under the guidance of an academic supervisor, the pre-doc fellow will develop and design a doctoral research project that closely fits the seeFField profile, in preparation for an application for (external) funding. The key research disciplines are history, social anthropology, and linguistics. The pre-doctoral fellow will be invited to participate in all seeFField activities and those of partner institutions in Regensburg. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 30 September 2025

Seed funding for junior post-doctoral scholars 2025/2026, IOS Regensburg

The project “A small but fertile field: strengthening Southeast European Studies in Regensburg” (seeFField) is pleased to announce the call for applications for our 2025/26 seed funding programme to commence in January 2026. This programme targets junior post-doctoral researchers, particularly (but not exclusively) from Southeastern Europe, who are historians, anthropologists, linguists, and/or scholars of cognate disciplines. It aims to provide financial support to kick-start new, innovative research projects of up to 4,000 € per application. The funds will be awarded on the condition of a new and viable research or research project idea that follows the intellectual agenda and profile of seeFField. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 30 September 2025

International Visiting Research Fellowship Programme in Regensburg for 2025/2026, IOS Regensburg

The project “A small but fertile field: strengthening Southeast European Studies in Regensburg” (seeFField) is pleased to announce a call for applications for 2025/2026 International Visiting Research Fellow Programme. Early career scholars from South-Eastern Europe, historians, anthropologists, linguists, and scholars of cognate disciplines, are especially encouraged to apply. Fellows are expected to conduct research that resonates with the project’s intellectual profile, particularly developing comparative and trans-regional research perspectives. Fellows will be offered the opportunity to spend one month in Regensburg, using the IOS library, consulting colleagues at UR and IOS, attending talks and seminars, and presenting their research in the research seminar. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 30 September 2025

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