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CKPIS Winter Semester: Ana Petrov on Yugo-nostalgia



On January 19, in the series of lectures CKPIS Winter Semester, our online guest was Ana Petrov, a musicologist and sociologist, an Associate Professor at the Faculty of Media and Communications, Singidunum University, Belgrade, and the author of *Jugoslovenska muzika bez Jugoslavije. Koncerti kao mesta sećanja* (2016) and *Sociologije nostalgija* (2021). Her topic was Towards an anostalgic sociology of Yugo-nostalgia.

Zimski semestar CKPIS-a
Ciklus javnih predavanja

Ana Petrov
K anostalgličnoj sociologiji
(jugo)nostalgije

Četvrtak, 19. siječnja 2023., 17.00 sati
<https://ovh.unipu.hr/b/lad-fcf-rpe-ydv>

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SEUČLIŠTE JURJA DOBRLE U PULI



Lecture on the urban development of Pula in socialism, by our December guest Emil Jurcan, is available on our [Youtube](#) channel, in Croatian.

Socialism on the Bench 2023: Call Open

The series of biennial international conferences **Socialism on the Bench** have been organised by CKPIS since 2013. On **September 28-30, 2023, the conference will be held for the sixth time, and this time with the theme Crises and Reforms.**

State socialist and market socialist societies went through a series of adaptations while trying to enhance the performance of the system in power. Sometimes the motivation for these changes was a matter of ideological evolution of the system and general modernization, but now and then the trigger was a specific crisis in a certain sector, such as unemployment growth, low industrial productivity, irregular supply, inadequate tax or social welfare systems, emigration, outdated curricula, lack of funding for culture or maybe ineffective local administration. A crisis could be admitted or denied, postponed or accelerated. A reform could be a popular or a painful measure, a success or a defeat. The conference call is

interested in all these extremes and the panoply of shades in between, in other words both in large scale watersheds and miniature structures of problems and their solutions. We hope the papers will provide answers to the following questions and more: what are the reasons for political, social, financial and other crises; who are the actors of crises and are they also the agents of change who design and implement reforms; are the crises used as opportunities for larger transformations; do reforms bring improvements or cause chaos in the known and established order; how are crises and reforms presented to the public and what is the perception of these processes among different social groups including the everyday surroundings.

Please find the call in [English](#) and [Croatian](#), and the application form, on our website. Application deadline is April 1. CKPIS is looking forward to your submissions!



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CONFERENCES AND CFP

The Global Shift in Mobility and Migration Governance in the Long 1970s, Pisa, 7-8 September 2023

This conference stems from the idea that the immigration deadlock developed countries are facing today - especially in Europe - owes much to the radical changes that occurred during the long 1970s, i.e., between the late 1960s and early 1980s. Which transformation of migration patterns, perceptions, and policies occurred then and prepared today's predicament? Which policy path did developed countries take then that could explain the current situation? In the answer to those questions may reside the key to finding a sustainable policy on immigration in Europe and other regions of immigration worldwide. To account for the radical shift in mobility and migration patterns and policies, it is therefore necessary to combine reflections on economic and social policies within countries, international negotiations, international economic inequalities, and technological change. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 14 February 2023

Exploration of Class, Distinction, and Habitus in Popular Cultures of Central and Eastern Europe, Prague 27-29 October 2023

Class, distinction, and habitus have a contested position in the political and social sciences. No less controversial are the concepts in the humanities, even though the study of class in cultural studies seems to be long past its prime. The conference asks what the (dis)continuities between late socialism and post-socialism in terms of class, distinction, and habitus in the popular culture were. It seeks to answer how class, distinction, and habitus have been represented in popular culture in the "long durée" perspective. In what ways have these representations been transformed? What were the causes and consequences of these transformations, if any? Did these representations affect their recipients and in what manner? ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 31 May 2023

Solidarity and Voluntarism in State-Socialist Societies, Graz, 12-13 September 2023

Recent advances in the field have illuminated the extent and depth to which practices of solidarity defined everyday life in state-socialist societies. Perhaps most clearly, this has emerged in the recent growth of literature which explores practices of socialist internationalism, which carried with them a conception of international solidarity that was distinctly embedded in everyday life. But as the literature on state-socialism continues to develop beyond theories of totalitarianism and simplistic accounts of societies dominated or entirely subsumed by the state, solidarity – whether directed within or beyond national borders – is increasingly becoming a worthwhile object of study as a generalised practice or concept. Exploring the multifaceted nature of these motivations, this conference will make an important contribution to our understanding of the social history of state socialism. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 15 March 2023

Lessons on Resilience from Literary Studies and Intellectual History: Feminist Pedagogies for a Post-Pandemic Future in the Western Balkans, Belgrade, 24-25 March 2023

The goal of this interdisciplinary workshop is to bring together a transnational group of literary scholars, cultural and intellectual historians, as well as Western Balkan civil society activists. Invited speakers include activists associated with the organizations BeFem and Reconstruction Women's Fund from Belgrade, which have been promoting feminist politics and culture, serving as platforms against war, nationalism, and other kinds of violence against women, and acting as networks for the establishment of diverse cooperation on both local and international levels. The workshop aims to facilitate a two-way exchange between academia and civil society. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 10 February 2023



PUBLICATIONS

Jure Ramšak, Gašper Mithans, Mateja Režek (eds.), *Christian Modernity and Marxist Secularism in East Central Europe: Between Conflict and Cooperation* (Srednja Europa: Zagreb, 2023)

Framed by its aim to reconceptualize the history of dialogue between Marxism and Christianity as well as by the transformative nature of this endeavour, this volume also seeks to shed new light on some of the key notions in the lexicon of modernity such as utopia, human rights, peace, harmony, and consensus – many times reassessed precisely through the uneasiness of Marxist-Christian interaction. The authors of the fourteen chapters trace the lines of argumentation from pre-war times to the present, situating them in specific state, ideological, and religious or church frameworks within the milieus of individual countries of Central and Eastern Europe, as well as in a transnational context. ([Read More](#))

Renato Matić, *Društvo i otpor fašizmu – Istarski poučak i globalni izazovi* (Srednja Europa: Zagreb 2023)

Naslovom Društvo i otpor fašizmu – Istarski poučak i globalni izazovi nastoji se definirati tema i okvir unutar kojega se navedena pitanja pokušavaju barem dijelom otvoriti. Prije svega, rasprava o fenomenu fašističkog nasilja te činjenica da je zlo koje se korak po korak gradilo puna dva desetljeća, da bi se razvilo do granica globalne prijetnje opstanku čovječanstva, na kraju uspjelo preplaviti cijeli svijet, u samom svom začetku, kada je njegov razvoj mogao biti zaustavljen, pokazuje da je ono prepoznato samo i jedino u Istri. Upravo se tamo zbog događaja iz 1920. i 1921. godine (Vodnjanska bitka; Krvavi prvi maj; Palež radničkog doma i Hrvatske čitaonice u Puli; Mussolinijev dolazak u Pulu – prijetnja i građanski odgovor; Proštinska buna; Labinski ustanak) s pravom može govoriti o stvarnom početku antifašističke borbe u Hrvatskoj. ([Read More](#))

Milan Radošević, *Geneza antifašizma u Istri: Fašističko nasilje spram radničkog i hrvatskog nacionalnog pokreta na Puljštini 1920. (Srednja Europa: Zagreb, 2023)*

U hrvatskom medijskom i političkom prostoru pojam „antifašizam“ u posljednjih je trideset godina postao prijeporan. Za razliku od kontinentalne Hrvatske gdje je fokus postavljen na relaciji ustaše vs partizani, u Istri se antifašizam vezuje za mnogo duže razdoblje fašističkog terora i posljedičnog otpora. Za razliku od svih prijašnjih oblika nasilja, sukoba i ratova, fašizam nastaje kao jedinstveni oblik globalne prijetnje čovječanstvu te je unatoč tome, za globalni odgovor, koji je doveo do njegovog sloma, trebalo proći skoro četvrt stoljeća. Želimo li shvatiti povijest fašizma u Istri, kao i istarskog antifašističkog otpora, koji se u jeku Drugog svjetskog rata organizirano priključio narodnooslobodilačkoj borbi, a time i saveznicima u svjetskoj borbi protiv fašizma i nacizma, nužno je rekonstruirati i objasniti polazišnu točku tog procesa. ([Read More](#))



POSITIONS, GRANTS AND STIPENDS

Doctoral Research Position, “Transforming Anxieties of Ageing in Southeastern Europe. Political, Social, and Cultural Narratives of Demographic Change”, IOS Regensburg

The position is part of the international research project “Transforming Anxieties of Ageing in Southeastern Europe. Political, Social, and Cultural Narratives of Demographic Change”, which will be funded by the Volkswagen Foundation in the framework of their program “Challenges for Europe: The Greying Continent”. The project is coordinated by IOS, with partners at the University of Graz, Sofia University, and the Demographic Research Institute of the Hungarian Statistical Office. The doctoral researcher will specifically do research on the project carried out by IOS on “Socialist legacies and ambivalent transitions”. The successful candidate will pursue a PhD project on discourses and policies of ageing and demographic change in Southeastern Europe, looking in the socialist as well as early post-socialist periods. The PhD project should ideally be comparative. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 5 February 2023

Joint Master's Programme in Southeast European Studies, University of Graz

The two-years Joint MA Programme in SEES provides students with a specialised and professional education focussed on Southeast Europe. The programme entails at least one mobility semester abroad, aimed at strengthening regional expertise and intercultural skills. Our courses are designed to provide students with an interdisciplinary training of the highest quality. The successful completion of the Joint MA Programme in SEES will enable students to understand the interrelationship between history, law, politics, economics, and culture in Southeast Europe. The study tracks at both Universities entail an inter- and transdisciplinary education in theories and methods of legal, political, economic, cultural, and intersectional studies. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 31 March 2023