

NEWSLETTER

CENTRE FOR CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL RESEARCH OF SOCIALISM
CENTAR ZA KULTUROLOŠKA I POVIJESNA ISTRAŽIVANJA SOCIJALIZMA

No. 83
Pula
September
2023
ISSN 2806-9625

6th Socialism on the Bench held in Pula



Keynote speakers: Lilijana Brucar (Ljubljana), Josip Tica (Zagreb) and Sabrina Petra Ramet (Trondheim)

The [6th Socialism on the Bench](#) (Socijalizam na klupi) was successfully held in Pula, September 28-30. The theme Crises and Reforms (Krise i reforme) gathered around a hundred participants, among them three keynote speakers: professor emerita Sabrina Petra Ramet (Norwegian University of Science and Technology), professor Josip Tica (University of Zagreb) and professor Lilijana Burcar (University of Ljubljana). There were 18 panels, four book talks and three book launches. Since 2015 the conference has been supported by the Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung Southeast Europe. This time again Radio Rojc from Pula covered the event, whose venue was the Faculty of Economy and Tourism Dr. Mijo Mirković (FET). The conference logo and poster were designed by Nikola Križanac, and photos taken by Sanda Letonja-Marjanović. The Organizing Committee is thanking to all participants and contributors!

Sveučilište
Jurja Dobrile u Puli /
Centar za kulturološka
i povijesna istraživanja
socijalizma

Juraj Dobrila
University of Pula /
Centre for Cultural
and Historical Research
of Socialism

6. međunarodni
znanstveni skup
**SOCIJALIZAM
NA KLUPI**

6th International
Conference
**SOCIALISM
ON THE BENCH**

28 — 30 / 09 / 2023

KRIZE I REFORME

CRISES AND REFORMS



Three book launches and four book talks were part of the programme



During the Socialism on the Bench conference three new books were launched, all hot off the press and all part of the CKPIS collection [CeKaPISarnica](#). As was the case with all previous conferences, the one held in 2021 now got its volume with a selection of papers. Titled as *Anitifašizam*, the volume was co-edited by Lada Duraković and Andrea Matošević. Two other newly published books are result of the research project Microsocialism. Igor Duda edited the volume *Mikrosocijalizam. Mikrostrukture jugoslavenskoga socijalizma u Hrvatskoj 1970-ih i 1980-ih* (Microsocialism: Microstructures of Yugoslav Socialism in Croatia in the 1970s and 1980s), and wrote the monograph *Socijalizam na kućnom pragu. Mjesna zajednica i svakodnevica društvenog samoupravljanja u Jugoslaviji* [Socialism on the Doorstep. Local Community and the Everyday Life of Social Self-management in Yugoslavia]. All three books were co-published by the University of Pula and Srednja Europa from Zagreb, and can be acquired through the [publisher's web-page](#).



Biblioteka CeKaPISarnica





CONFERENCES AND CFP

Sedmi kongres hrvatskih povjesničara: "Zemlja", Osijek 25-28 September 2024

Hrvatski nacionalni odbor za povijesne znanosti (HNOPZ) priprema VII. kongres hrvatskih povjesničara koji će se održati u Osijeku od 25. do 28. rujna 2024. godine. Tema je kongresa Zemlja – kao izravan poticaj i prilog razumijevanju prostora na kome se održava, a to je po prvi puta Slavonija, Srijem i Baranja. Na kongresu će biti predstavljeni rezultati različitih aspekata povijesnih istraživanja kroz sva vremenska razdoblja. Posebno se pozivaju sudionici kongresa da prijave izlaganja na teme vezane uz odnos čovjeka i zemlje: primjerice, vlasnički odnosi, gospodarenje zemljom, ekološki aspekti, zemlja kao motiv umjetnosti i sl. Na dosadašnjim kongresima povjesničara poticali smo interdisciplinarnost, pa pozivamo na sudjelovanje i pripadnike drugih struka, etnologije, povijesti umjetnosti, arheologije, filologije i dr. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 31 January 2024

Re-Constructing Perestroika(s): In Search of a New Vocabulary for the Transformation, Prague, 14-15 March 2024

This workshop seeks to push beyond the limits—both geographic and temporal—of what we usually think of as perestroika. We, the organizing team, understand Perestroika to mean the rise of the rock underground as well as long queues in front of empty shops, new freedoms as well as violent clashes, first steps towards democratic processes as well as resurrection of old nationalist and anti-semitic tropes. Perestroika is represented by the abundance of horoscopes in every paper and journal as well as by the manifestos and declarations produced by grassroots organizations of all stripes. Perestroika was an economic programme that ushered in political change and created a very particular social reality but could also translate into feelings, identities, a life span or a shorthand for both memories and future beliefs. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 31 October 2023

23rd Biennial Conference on Balkan and South Slavic Linguistics, Literature and Folklore, Oxford, Mississippi, 2-4 May 2024

The 23rd biennial conference on Balkan and South Slavic Linguistics, Literature and Folklore will be hosted by the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Mississippi, May 2-4, 2024 (Thursday-Saturday). The conference will be sponsored by the South East European Studies Association (SEESA), the Department of Modern Languages and the College of Liberal Arts at the University of Mississippi. Papers should treat some aspect of Balkan and/or South Slavic linguistics, literature, folklore or culture. Conference presenters are encouraged to submit their papers in manuscript form for consideration of publication to *Balkanistica*, the refereed interdisciplinary journal of Balkan studies, which is supported by SEESA. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 13 November 2023



PUBLICATIONS

Jovana Mihajlović Trbovc (ur.), *Naše znanstvenice. Kako so ženske soustvarjale znanost v Jugoslaviji* (ZRC SAZU: Ljubljana, 2023)

The book ('Our Women Scientists. How women co-created science in Yugoslavia') is conceived as a collection of articles about women scientists who have taken their field "one step further". By this we mean women researchers, professors, innovators, authors of a significant scientific breakthrough or discovery, a patent, or women who have introduced new practices and methods in their academic field, founded an institute or department, or created the conditions for the development of new scientific disciplines. The professional biographies of the 27 women presented in this book show what the pursuit of science actually means. ([Read More](#))

Mihai Dragnea et al., *Aspects of Islamic Radicalization in the Balkans After the Fall of Communism* (Peter Lang, 2023)

This book explores the channels through which Islamic fundamentalism has spread among Muslim populations in the Balkans since the fall of communism. The authors collectively examine political and religious ties between Balkan Muslims and various private organizations and state institutions in Muslim states, with a particular focus on the reception of Salafism and its Saudi version, Wahhabism. In that context, they debate the extent to which war crimes committed by Muslims during the Yugoslav Wars were motivated by Salafism, rather than being a result of domestic ethno-national conflicts. Finally, the book also addresses the ideological climate that has generated volunteers for Islamic State (Daesh) in recent years. ([Read More](#))



POSITIONS, GRANTS AND STIPENDS

Go Styria scholarship programme, University of Graz

Go Styria is a scholarship scheme for outstanding students from South-Eastern Europe, supported by funding from the Province of Styria. Against the background of a long standing, varied and intensive cooperation with the regions of South-Eastern Europe, the University of Graz was the first university in the German-speaking world to set a university-wide focus on "South-Eastern Europe" as the profile-setting core of its university development concept. The scheme awards grants for research mobility periods at the University of Graz by master's students, doctoral students and post-docs from South-Eastern Europe. Candidates selected for the program will be given the opportunity for a research period at the University of Graz in order to then continue and conclude their studies / research at their home universities. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 1 November 2023

Second Summer Institute for the Study of East Central and Southeastern Europe, Center for Advanced Studies Sofia

In partnership with the Centre for Advanced Study Sofia (CAS), ACLS enables scholars to undertake research, writing, and local fieldwork in Bulgaria and engage in interdisciplinary discussions during the Summer Institute for the Study of East Central and Southeastern Europe (SISECSE). SISECSE provides participating scholars with two weeks to dedicate to their own research and writing in a collaborative and interdisciplinary setting. Participants are also able to undertake local fieldwork, including archival research, work in museum collections, interviews, site surveys, and other forms of data collection. In addition to conducting their own research, scholars have the opportunity to participate in small group writing workshops, as well as a series of immersive discussions on a broad topic of shared academic interest. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 2 November 2023

Research Associate/Postdoc/Doctoral student in the field of South-Eastern European History, University of Giessen

Founded in 1607, Justus Liebig University Giessen (JLU) is a research university rich in tradition. Inspired by curiosity about the unknown, it enables around 26,500 students and 5,700 employees to advance science for society. It seeks a new collaborator for breaking new ground and writing success stories. A part-time position (50 %) is open at the earliest date possible as Research Associate / Postdoc / Doctoral student (m/f/d) in the field of South-Eastern European History. In accordance with § 2 WissZeitVG and § 72 HessHG, the position is to be filled on a fixed-term basis at the Chair of South-Eastern European History, Department of History at the Faculty of History and Cultural Studies with the opportunity for own academic qualification. The salary is in accordance with the collective labour agreement of the State of Hessen (E 13 TV-H). ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 15 October 2023

Regional Call for Fellowship Applications, CAS Rijeka

The upcoming Regional Fellowship will stimulate fellows to undertake and present their research in regional centers of Southeast Europe, contributing to growing network of academics engaging in Southeast Europe. Fellows will benefit from the provided host support at Universities of Rijeka and Belgrade, with co-hosts at Universities of Skopje, Sarajevo, Ljubljana, Pristina, Tirana or Podgorica by their choice. Each fellow will have the opportunity to spend up to four weeks working on their research project at a partner university and connect with other scholars and research communities within their field, perform data gathering, and/or get experience with a particular research method. 2024 fellowship theme is "Towards a culture of shared future in Southeast Europe". ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 5 October 2023