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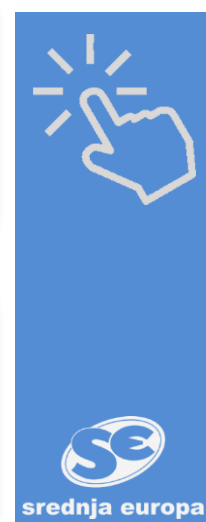
Microsocialism books presented in Sarajevo



After the book launch in Pula a month ago, on October 26 the edited volume *Mikrosocijalizam* and Igor Duda's monograph on local communities in Yugoslavia (*Socijalizam na kućnom pragu. Mjesna zajednica i svakodnevnica društvenog samoupravljanja u Jugoslaviji*) were presented in Sarajevo, at the Faculty of Philosophy. Two new books were commented by Professor Husnija Kamberović (Department of History, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Sarajevo) and Edin Omerčić, PhD (Institute of History, University of Sarajevo). A lecture by Igor Duda followed the books talk. The event was co-organised by the Centre for Historical Research (CeHiS) and the Association for Modern History (UMHIS), both from Sarajevo, and as a part of cooperation in the project *Auf der Suche nach der verlorenen Zeit – Jugoslawien und die europäische Integration*, based at the Humboldt University of Berlin and supported by DAAD. Read more at [Historiografija.ba](https://historiografija.ba). More similar events will follow in Belgrade on November 7 ([book launch](#)) and November 9 ([talk](#)).



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CONFERENCES AND CFP

Towards a social history of Albanians in socialist Yugoslavia, Graz, 9-10 February 2024

This workshop, jointly organised by the Institute for Habsburg and Balkan Studies at the Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, and the Centre for Southeast European Studies at the University of Graz, seeks to assess the state of the art regarding the social history of Albanians in Yugoslav socialism (1945-1991). Despite advances in the social and cultural historiography of Yugoslavia in the last two decades (e.g., on diverse topics such as everyday life, gender, labour, childhood, consumerism etc...) little of this scholarship takes into account Albanian experiences of Yugoslav socialism or meaningfully engages with sources from Albanian inhabited parts of Yugoslavia, namely Kosovo and Macedonia. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 1 December 2023

Change from Below: Mobility, Transformation, and Exchange across Europe, Regensburg, 23-25 May 2024

In the 5th Annual Graduate Workshop of the Graduate School for East and Southeast European Studies in Regensburg, we will look at mobility as a force of transformation driven by diverse individuals and groups from a bottom-up perspective. Moreover, this workshop will give voice to the main actors of mobility – people, especially those whose stories often go unnoticed and unheard. This workshop is designed for PhD candidates and early career researchers interested in the multifaceted aspects of mobility and transformation to and from Europe, as well as within. We aim to look at these processes from a historical point of view and cover a timeframe from the 19th century to the present. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 6 January 2023

7th Hermann Weber Conference on Historical Research of Communism: "War between Comrades: Unity, Division and Disintegration in the Communist World Movement since 1945", Cologne, 27-29 March 2025

The conference aims to bring together research on ideological clashes, geostrategic realignments, conflicts between national states, transnational entanglements, organisational history and economic consequences of the divisions in the world communist movement. The following, and related, questions will be at the centre of the conference: - Why did splits and "fratricidal wars" occur in many national communist movements and ideological conflicts between parties that had campaigned on the internationalist agenda of "proletarians of all countries, unite"? What role did nationalism and old territorial conflicts play in this? How were cultural justifications used to distinguish themselves as "European" or "African" communism? ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 30 January 2024

Workshop: European Centers and Peripheries in the Political Novel, Berlin, 25-26 April 2024

When analyzing asymmetries between centers, semi-peripheries, and peripheries, literary studies adopt various theoretical and methodological traditions – such as post- and decolonial approaches or world-systems analysis (e.g., Warwick Research Collective). The workshop builds on these lines of inquiry, yet organizes its discussion around the question of how center-periphery-dynamics are articulated in explicitly political terms by the political novel, a genre that we tentatively understand as a set of procedures by means of which a novel is coded and decoded as political in a particular constellation of circumstances, resulting in it being recognized, or misread, as political. The workshop aims to put special emphasis on examining Europe as a combined and uneven formation characterized by economic, social, cultural, and literary asymmetries. ([Read more](#))

Application deadline: 10 December 2023

**PUBLICATIONS**

Sanja Horvatinčić, Beti Žerovec (eds.), *Shaping Revolutionary Memory: The Production of Monuments in Socialist Yugoslavia* (Igor Zabel Association for Culture and Theory - Archive Books, Ljubljana - Berlin 2023)

The publication presents a comprehensive overview of the vast production of monuments in socialist Yugoslavia (1945–91) dedicated to the antifascist People's Liberation Struggle in the Second World War and the socialist revolution. Since the breakup of Yugoslavia in the 1990s, these monuments have been subject to various fates, from neglect and physical destruction to global fame generated by the high-modernist visual appeal of a number of them. But the full scope, wide-ranging diversity, and complex context of Yugoslav monument making, including its various contradictions, have remained largely unexplored. ([Read More](#))

Mira Kolar-Dimitrijević, Igor Karaman. *Život, djelo i doprinos ekonomskoj povijesti Hrvatske* (Plejada, Zagreb 2023)

U svojoj studiji o životu i djelu Igora Karamana (Split, 1927. – Zagreb, 1995.) napisanoj na temelju detaljnog istraživanja njegove osobne ostavštine koja se čuva u Hrvatskome državnom arhivu, eminentna hrvatska povjesničarka Mira Kolar-Dimitrijević ne progovara samo o toj ličnosti, jednoj od središnjih u hrvatskoj historiografiji druge polovine 20. stoljeća. Ova knjiga i na temelju osobnih spoznaja autorice ujedno prikazuje razvoj hrvatske muzeologije, arhivistike, školstva, institucija, društava i udruga u kojima je Karaman aktivno djelovao, a najopširnije progovara o napretku i nazadovanju hrvatske historiografije, posebice gospodarske povijesti, u kontekstu vremena u kojem je Karaman živio. ([Read More](#))

Dejan Jović, *Uvod u Jugoslaviju (Fraktura, Zagreb 2023)*

Malo koji događaj u povijesti je doživio tako raznolika, proturječna i suprotstavljena tumačenja kao raspad Jugoslavije. Potpuno odsustvo konsenzusa, znanstvenog, publicističkog, žurnalističkog i kolokvijalnog, svakodnevnog jednako prevladava i kada je riječ o samoj jugoslavenskoj državi u odnosu na koje se grade novi nacionalni identiteti država sljednica. Knjiga Dejana Jovića *Uvod u Jugoslaviju* u tu polemiku, u tu kakofoniju narativa, u tu nepotrebnu strast, u taj (zapravo) politički sukob unosi smirenost Argumenta. Utoliko je Jovićev *Uvod u Jugoslaviju* svojevrsni reset dosadašnjih interpretacija, nadajmo se i reset percepcija jednog važnog poglavlja hrvatske (jasno, ne samo hrvatske) povijesti. ([Read More](#))

Frank Žorži (Georgi), *Samoupravljanje u izgradnji. Francuska levica i jugoslovenski „model“ (1948–1981) (Akademska knjiga, Novi Sad 2023)*

Pedeset pet godina nakon pobune u maju 1968. godine, ova knjiga se vraća na jednu od najsimboličnijih utopija tog proleća na barikadama: samoupravljanje. Tokom više od jedne decenije reč koja je dugo bila na marginama dolazi u središte debata francuske levice. Ona ulazi u programe partija i sindikata, pothranjuje razmišljanja i snove o jednom drugačijem socijalizmu, zasnovanom na integralnoj demokratiji, počev od preduzeća pa sve do čitavog društva. Uobličava se prilikom štrajka radnika fabrike „Lip“ 1973. godine da bi u predvečerje izbora Fransoa Mitterana u maju 1981. godine došlo do zastoja. U proteklih nekoliko godina, ova ideja se ponovo pojavljuje kao mogući odgovor na stranputice savremenog kapitalizma. ([Read More](#))

Luka Filipović, *Evrokomunizam i Jugoslavija 1968–1980. (Akademska knjiga, Novi Sad 2023)*

Najveći deo monografije *Evrokomunizam i Jugoslavija 1968–1980.* prezentuje rezultate istraživanja arhivske građe i drugih istorijskih izvora, ali autor se bavi i pozicioniranjem istorijske evolucije marksističkih ideologija u kontekst društvenih i političkih promena u zemljama Mediterana tokom šezdesetih, sedamdesetih i osamdesetih godina XX veka. Takođe, knjiga Luke Filipovića postavlja nova pitanja o sličnostima i razlikama koje se mogu uočiti između kretanja marksističke misli i razvoja političke prakse komunističkih partija u državama Zapadne Evrope i, sa druge strane, evolucije partijske ideologije jugoslovenskih komunista i reformi partijskih politika Saveza komunista, kao i državnih politika SFRJ. ([Read More](#))

Semir Hadžimusić, *Pismeni graditelji socijalizma. Opismenjavanje stanovništva Bosne i Hercegovine u periodu obnove (1945–1948)“ (Zavod za zaštitu i korištenje kulturno-historijskog i prirodnog naslijeđa Tuzlanskog kantona, Tuzla 2023)*

Antifašistički front žena – AFŽ je u cjelosti bio uključen u proces opismenjavanja stanovništva Bosne i Hercegovine, a posebno u opismenjavanje žena kao kategorije stanovništva među kojom je vladala izrazita nepismenost. „Pošto većinu nepismenih čine žene, postavlja se pred nas kao najhitniji zadatak: Rad na suzbijanju nepismenosti kod žena“, navodi se u dopisu Centralnog odbora AFŽ-a Jugoslavije- Glavnom odboru AFŽ-a Bosne i Hercegovine početkom novembra 1945. godine. Tada su određeni osnovni prioriteti kada je u pitanju rad na opismenjavanju i narodnom prosvjećivanju. ([Read More](#))



POSITIONS, GRANTS AND STIPENDS

Interdisciplinary research in groups, Center for Interdisciplinary Research (ZiF), Bielefeld University

The Center for Interdisciplinary Research (ZiF) is Bielefeld University's Institute for Advanced Study. It offers opportunities—with respect to time, space, and funding—for outstanding interdisciplinary research. ZiF is open to scholars from all disciplines post-PhD, based in Germany and abroad. They can propose a research project to be conducted with a curated group of (preferably) international colleagues. Visiting Groups can, for example, explore new research topics and partnerships, finalise interdisciplinary publications or conduct small research projects during their stay at ZiF. Resident Groups may conduct more extensive research projects, which require intensive collaboration over an extended period, during a joint stay at ZiF. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 28 November 2023/23 April 2024

Three Leibniz Summer Fellowships "German and European History in the 20th century", Leibniz Centre for Contemporary History Potsdam (ZZF)

The Leibniz-Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung Potsdam / Leibniz Centre for Contemporary History Potsdam (ZZF) is pleased to invite applications for three Leibniz Summer Fellowships in the field of "German and/or European (including Eastern European) History in the 20th century". These two-months fellowships provide an opportunity to pursue individual research in Germany while participating in the academic life of one of Germany's major historical research centres. Fellows are free to pursue research related to their own individual interests, yet applicants whose interests relate to one or more of the research departments of the ZZF will be preferred. Successful candidates will be assigned to one of the institute's departments, offered participation in departmental activities and asked to present their project as part of the institute's research seminar. ([read more](#))

Application deadline: 30 November 2023