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9th Doctoral workshop WHAT WAS EUROPE? PERCEPTION, DIVISION AND INTEGRATION, 1940s-2010s Pula, Croatia, August 23–26, 2023

CALL FOR PAPERS

Since 2015 our Doctoral Workshop has been gathering young researchers and focusing on various themes in contemporary history. Motivated by the project Suche nach der verlorenen Zeit – Jugoslawien und die europäische Integration (Humboldt University of Berlin, DAAD), in which we are cooperating, as well as by the tenth anniversary of Croatia's accession to the European Union, this year the workshop aims to look into the ideas of Europe and their practices over the last eighty years. The configuration of the continent changed during and after World War II, Cold War introduced new divides and understandings of allies and adversaries, as well as different forms of their competition and cooperation, while the end of the century brought new idealized meanings of Europeanness and Europeanization, followed by the enlargement of the European Union and the notion of the so-called New Europe. We are welcoming papers discussing Europe from the angle of political, economic, social, cultural and intellectual history, but also other close disciplines in humanities and social sciences; from the everyday cultures to international affairs, including societies inside the two blocks and those which were non-aligned or neutral; from cross-border travel, sports tournaments and popular culture to the literary and artistic expressions, academic interpretations, as well as the media perception and representation. Moreover, we are looking forward to all intriguing and fascinating insights into cultural and military conflicts, popular stereotypes and examples of successful integration; in short, to the whole variety of thoughts, events and acts that were done in the name of Europe or against it.

Hopefully, the four keynote speakers will be Dean Vuletic (University of Vienna), Anita Buhin (IHC – NOVA FCSH / IN2PAST, NOVA University Lisbon), Radina Vučetić (University of Belgrade, Faculty of Philosophy), and Nemanja Radonjić (Institute for Recent History of Serbia). The latter two will participate thanks to our cooperation in the above-mentioned project on socialist Yugoslavia and European integration.

So far, the Workshop has focused on various topics in contemporary history, the history of socialist Yugoslavia and wider European context: *The History of Everyday Life in Socialist Yugoslavia*; *Yugoslav Socialism: Similarities and Exceptionalities*; *A New Man for the Socialist Society*; *Yugoslavia and the Global 1968: Contexts, Perspectives, Echoes*; *Industrial Societies of Late Socialism: European Comparisons*; *Cooperation, Exchange and Solidarity in Europe 1945–1990*; *Microhistories of Socialism; Microhistories of Socialism and Postsocialism.* The themes were often connected to the research projects at CKPIS or with the cooperation network around the Chair for South-East European History at the Humboldt University of Berlin. Over the past years, the Workshop has received an excellent response, with PhD students and lecturers coming from various universities and other institutions (Belgrade, Berlin, Birmingham, Bologna, Budapest, Cologne, Cork, Durham, Florence, Ghent, Giessen, Glasgow, Graz, Hamburg, Iaşi, Konstanz, Koper, Lisbon, Ljubljana, Montreal, Munich, North Carolina — Chapel Hill, Nottingham, Oxford, Paris, Potsdam, Prague, Princeton, Regensburg, San Diego, Sarajevo, Skopje, Sofia, Split, Turku, Vienna, Warsaw, Warwick, Zagreb and Pula). Information on past workshops is available on our website.

We hope the workshop will again attract PhD students in the field of history, as well as in other fields of humanities and social sciences. Our objective is to enable the exchange of knowledge and ideas, as well as participation in motivating discussions. We would like to enhance networking and exchange among young researchers and map new research trends, especially at the level of PhD studies.

Please, submit the online application form by May 15, 2023. The form includes the abstract (max. 200 words) and a short biographical note (max. 200 words). Acceptance notification will follow by the end of May. By July 15 the elected applicants are expected to send a paper (max. 1,800 words), based on their dissertation or another research. The workshop language is English. Based on the paper, each presentation should last up to 15 minutes and will be followed by an immediate discussion. A certificate will be issued to PhD students confirming their participation and the value of 2 ECTS credits.

Participants are expected to arrive by late afternoon of Wednesday, August 23, when the workshop starts. The programme ends by noon on Saturday. The workshop venue is the Student Dorm (Preradović Street).

Unfortunately, this year we have to introduce the <u>participation fee</u> (130€). Detailed information will follow after the selection process. As organisers, we will be able to cover accommodation (three nights, single rooms) at the new student dorm in the city centre, a meal per day and coffee breaks. The participants should organise their travel to Pula and cover its cost, hopefully with the support of their universities or other sources.

The application form and all information are available on the website:

https://www.unipu.hr/ckpis/en/doctoral workshop/2023.

For any questions, please contact Tina at tinafilipovic.pu@gmail.com.

We are looking forward to your applications!

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