42nd Annual conference of the Irish Association for Russian, Central and East European Studies State and Non-state Actors in Eastern and Central Europe

9-11 May 2019 Dublin City University

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16:00-18:00 **Keynote lecture**: "Russia's Putin: The Co-Construction of Russian Authoritarianism" – Dr Samuel Greene, King's College London

Location: John Hand Room, Senior House

18:00-20:00

Book launch & reception:

"Mobility in the Russian, Central and East European Past" edited by Róisín Healy Róisín Healy, NUI Galway and launched by Judith Devlin, UCD Location: John Hand Room, Senior House

10 May 2019

Section 1 Panel 1.1 (PG02, Purcell House) 09:00-10:30 Bandits and Bureaucrats:

The Ambiguity of Balkan (Para)Military Actors in the 20th Century

Chair: John Paul Newman (NUI Maynooth), JohnPaul.Newman@mu.ie

Discussant: Prof. Constantin Iordachi (Central European University), Iordachinc@ceu.edu Paper 1: Filip Lyapov (Central European University) IMRO as a Model of the State/Non-State Dyad in Bulgaria/Balkans

Paper 2: Dmitar Tasić (University of Hradec Kralove) A (not so) Different Kind of Activism: Former Paramilitaries in Yugoslav Parliament 1918-1941

Paper 3: Spyridon Tsoutsoumpis (University of Manchester/Wolverhampton University) Outlaw state: Paramilitarism, organized crime and the fall of Greek democracy (1945-1967)
Paper 4: Iva Vukušić (Utrecht University)
Continuity and Change: The Red Berets in the

Panel 1.2 (PG11, Purcell House)

Transnational networks and East-West relations in the 20th century

Chair/Discussant: Lili Zách, lili.zlil@gmail.com
Paper 1: Alexey Antoshin (Ural Federal
University) For the Implementation of European
Concepts of Law or Returning "Russian
socialism": Russian emigres-socialists and their
European comrades in conditions of Cold War
Paper 2: Niklas Wittmann (Central European
University) From Red to Green? The Relationship
between Democratic Opposition and
Environmentalism in the Hungarian People's
Republic and the GDR

Paper 3: Elena Dragomir (Valahia University of Targoviste, Romania) Romania's policy towards the EEC during the Cold War, 1957-1989 Paper 4: Cynthia Hooper (College of the Holy Cross) Weaponizing 'the West': Divergent Visions of Democracy Behind the Iron Curtain

Coffee break 10:30-11:00

Section 2 Panel 2.1 (PG02, Purcell House) 11:00-12:30 Book Forum: World War One in Central and Eastern Europe

breakup of Yugoslavia

Chair: TBC

John Paul Newman, Maynooth University Judith Devlin, University College Dublin Maria Falina, Dublin City University Dmitar Tasić (University of Hradec Kralove)

Panel 2.2 (PG11, Purcell House) Addressing the Crisis of Socialist Modernity in Yugoslavia during the 1980s

Chair: Sven Milekic (Maynooth University), svenmilekic@gmail.com

Discussant: Ivana Dobrivojevic (Institute of Contemporary History, Belgrade), ivanadobrivojevic@hotmail.com

Paper 1: Rory Archer (University of Konstanz)
Albanian Labour Migration and the Limits of
"Brotherhood and Unity" in Late Socialist

Yugoslavia

Paper 2: Olimpia Dragouni (Humboldt University of Berlin) The Workplace in Late Socialist Yugoslavia as a Space of Inter-Religious Mingling and Differentiation: The Collection of Husein Đozo's Fatwas

Lunch & AGM 12:30-14:30 AHC PG02

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Section 3 Panel 3.1 (PG02, Purcell House) 14:30-16:00 Post-WWI International Actors and

Chair/Discussant: Roisin Healy (NUI Galway), roisin.healy@nuigalway.ie

Paper 1: Samuel Foster (University of East Anglia) R.W.Seton-Watson and the Yugoslavs, 1906-1921: The Limits of 'Popular Internationalism'

Paper 2: Sergei Mikhalchenko (Bryansk State I.G. Petrovsky University) Paris Peace Conference of 1919 and the New States on the Territory of the Former Russian Empire

Paper 3: Paul McNamara (Technical University of Stadt - Sean Lester as a State and Non-state Actor in the International Conflict Surrounding the Free City of Danzig, 1934-1937

Panel 3.2 (PG11, Purcell House) Gender, sexuality and bio-politics

Chair/Discussant: Maria Falina (DCU), maria. falina@dcu.ie

Paper 1: Ivana Dobrivojevic Tomic (Institute of Contemporary History, Belgrade) State and partenthood. Family planing policy in Yugoslavia (1945 - 1991)

Paper 2: Corina Dobos (University of Bucharest) The female body as site of resistance: the silent witness of Ceausescu's pronatalist policies Paper 3: Alexander Kondakov (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki) Religious Koszalin, Poland) From the Free State to the Freie Arguments in Criminal Court Hearings on Violence against Queer Populations in Russia

Coffee break 16:00-16:30

Section 4 Panel 4.1 (PG02, Purcell House) 16:30-18:00 Interwar Romania: Politics, Ideologies, Religion

Chair/Discussant: Prof. Constantin Iordachi (CEU), Iordachinc@ceu.edu Paper 1: Blasco Sciarrino (Central European

University) The Romanian State's Political Integration of Great War Veterans, 1918-1939 Paper 2: Victor Rizescu (University of Bucharest) The professional chambers in pre-communist Romania: social bases, ideological allegiances and Education) Mstislav Rostropovich - A Citizen of political involvements

Paper 3: Raul Carstocea (Europa University Flensburg) Peasants into Fascists: A Case of Political Mobilisation in Interwar Romania Paper 4: Iemima Ploscariu (Dublin City University) Challenging Religious Spaces: the Influence and Limitations of Romanian Baptists regarding the 1938 Decizie

Panel 4.2 (PG11, Purcell House) State and Non-State Actors in Art & **Academia**

Chair/Discussant: Judith Devlin (UCD), judith. devlin@ucd.ie

Paper 1: Irina Gigova (College of Charleston, South Carolina, USA) Between Nation and Humanity: The Bulgarian PEN Club in the **Interwar Years**

Paper 2: Ludmila Snigireva (Marino Institute of the World Who Changed it

Paper 3: Mara Marginean (Romanian Academy) Trans-national knowledge, local practices: Translating social sciences in the 1970s Romania

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Panel 5.1 (PG10, Purcell House)) Section 1

09:30-11:00 The Pied Piper of Post-Socialism: Non-State Actors in (Re)-Creating States in Central and The Map and the Territory: Language, **Eastern Europe**

> Chair/Discussant: Iva Vukušić (Utrecht University), i.vukusic@uu.nl

Paper 1: Keith Harrington (Maynooth University) From Non-State Actors to 'State Builders': The

1989 Transnistrian strikes Paper 2: Sven Milekic (Maynooth University) Once a Defender, Always a Defender: Croatian 1990s War Veterans as (Non)-State Actors Paper 3: Rebecca Carr (Trinity College Dublin) On East the Milky Road to Serbia's Nation-Rebuilding Paper 4: Oleg Chupryna (Maynooth University) The Role of Civil Society in the Euromaidan Revolution in Ukraine (2013-2014)

Panel 5.2 (PG11, Purcell House)

Memory and Culture

Chair/Discussant: Lili Zách, lili.zlil@gmail.com Paper 1: Tibor Bodnár-Király (Eötvös Lorand University, Budapest) History, Geography, Statistics: Conceptualizing the State in the 18thcentury Hungary

Paper 2: Ágoston Berecz (European University Institute, Florence) Non-dominant Languages in Dualist Hungary's Counties: Evidence from the

Paper 3: Tatiana Krol (Dublin City University) The role of famine commemoration in the *formati*on of historical memory in Ukraine

Paper 4: Lina Gergova and Yana Gergova (Institute of Ethnology and Folklore Studies with Ethnographic Museum at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences) Pre/Non-Slavic Line in Establishing the Bulgarian Patriotism beyond the National Territory

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Coffee break 11:00-11:30

Section 2 **Panel 6.1** (*PG10, Purcell House*) 11:30-13:00 **Memory, Commemoration and Museums**

Chair/Discussant: John Paul Newman (NUI Maynooth), JohnPaul.Newman@mu.ie
Paper 1: Zrinka Breglec (University of Zagreb)
Croatian weekly Novosti as a place of countermemory: the example of Operation Storm and the concentration camp Jasenovac

Paper 2: Sylvia Stancheva (Sofia University "St. Kl. Ohridski") The role of State History Museums and NGOs in (Re) constructing Collective Memory in Post-Socialist Bulgaria

Paper 3: Lea David (University College Dublin) Can Moral Remembrance Defeat Nationalism? Evidence from Serbia, Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina

Paper 4: Jelena Dureinovic (University of Giessen) The Anti-Communist Constant: History of Memory on the Second World War and its Aftermath in Yugoslavia after the Death of Tito

Panel 6.2 (PG11, Purcell House) Civic actors in (un)civil societies

Chair/Discussant: Tanya Lokot (DCU), tanya. lokot@dcu.ie

Paper 1: Dilyana Kiryako (Maynooth University) Building Homo Civicus: the piecemeal yet relentless work of civic initiatives on democracy in Bulgaria

Paper 2: Aytan Gahramanova (Dublin City University) Democracy promotion and the role of epistemic communities in post-communist hybrid regimes: a case of Azerbaijan

Paper 3: Edina Paleviq (Andrassy University Budapest) The role of Montenegrin civil society in formulating Montenegrin foreign and European policy: examples of NATO and EU accession processes

Paper 4: Aurora Trif (Dublin City University) and Imre Szabo (University College Dublin) Trade unions' innovative responses to hostile external conditions in Hungary and Romania

Lunch 13:00-14:00

Section 3 Panel 7.2 (PG10, Purcell House) 14:00-15:30 International & transnational actors in the Balkans

Chair/Discussant: John Paul Newman (NUI Maynooth), JohnPaul.Newman@mu.ie Paper 1: Alec Cruikshanks (University of East Anglia) David Owen in Bosnia: A Case Study on International Mediators as Non-State Actors in Ethnic Conflict

Paper 2: Samantha Simpson (University of Bern) 'Planners in Exile': Political and Nationalist Involvement among the Kosovar Albanian Diaspora in Germany and Switzerland, 1968-1998

Paper 3: Cleo Marie O'Brien-Udry (Yale University) Governing Under Uncertainty: Local Public Goods Allocation in Kosovo and Serbia Under Threat of Partition

Panel 7.2 (PG11, Purcell House) Identities and Informal Networks in Central and Eastern Europe

Chair/Discussant: Tanya Lokot (DCU), tanya. lokot@dcu.ie

Paper 1: Nadiia Bureiko (Foreign Policy Council 'Ukrainian Prism'/University of St. Gallen) and Teodor Lucian Moga ('Alexandru Ioan Cuza' University of Iasi/University of St. Gallen) Renegotiating ethnic identities, national ideas and loyalties. The case of the Ukrainian-Romanian borderland

Paper 2: Dumitru Lisnic (University College Cork) Elite Recruitment in Postwar Soviet Moldavia: Ethnicity, Political Identity, and Informal Networks

Paper 3: Roman Sigov (Kyiv International Institute of Sociology/DCU) Agency and Embeddedness Shaping the Shadow Economy: a Case of Ukraine

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