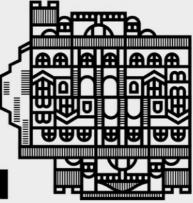
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Neighbors and neighborhood in the Balkans





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Friday 12. 11. 2021	Room 1 Faculty of Humanities, Charles University	Room 2 Faculty of Humanities, Charles University
8:30-9:30	Registration	
9:30-9:50	Conference Opening	
10:00-11:30	Panel 1 (3 presenters)	Panel 2 (3 presenters)
11:30-11:45	Coffee break	Coffee break
11:45 -13:15	Panel 3 (3 presenters)	Panel 4 (3 presenters)
13:15-14:15	Lunch delivery	Lunch delivery
14:15-15:45	Panel 5 (3 presenters)	Panel 6 (3 presenters)
15:45-16:00	Coffee break	Coffee break
16:00-17:00	Academic book presentation: Imagining Bosnian Muslims in Central Europe	
17:00-17:30	Break	
17:30-18:00	Wine & snacks	
18:00-19:00	Džezvica live music	

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Saturday 13. 11. 2021	Room 1 Faculty of Humanities, Charles University
10:00-11:30	Panel 7 (3 presenters)
11:30-11:45	Coffee break
11:45-13:15	Panel 8 (3 presenters)
13:15-14:00	Lunch delivery
14:00-15:45	Panel 9 (Ethnographic film projection, M. Slavková & V. Tokárová - M.I.R.)
15:45-17:00	Group transfer to Lastavica
17:00-17:15	Closing speech by the organizing committee
17:15-17:30	Author reading by the ambassador of BiH in the Czech Republic, Martina Mlinarević Sopta/ Lastavica
17:30-18:15	Buybook Sarajevo Author reading + discussion / Lastavica
18:15-18:45	Exhibition opening - Eli Tauber - When the neighbors were real human beings / Lastavica
18:45-24:00	Reception & networking / Lastavica

FRIDAY, Nov. 12

Panel 1 - Neighborhood in the Balkans from the 19. century to the WW2 (10:00-11:30)

10:00-10:30 - **Mario Katić** - Neighbors and Neighborhood in Bosnia during the Austro-Hungarian Empire. The Example of Vareš

10:30-11:00 - **Krzysztof Popek** - Muslims in the rural and city councils in Bulgaria at the turn of the 19th and 20th century

Panel 2 - Neighborly relations in Kosovo (10:00-11:30)

10:00-10:30 - **Božica Slavković Mirić** - Neighborly relations in Kosovo and Metohija between the two world wars – examples of family cooperatives (porodične zadruge)

10:30-11:00 - Marzena Maciulewicz - Neighborhoods and Neighbourly Relations in Mitrovica, Kosovo

11:00-11:30 - **Rozafa Berisha** - Café routine, waiting, and everyday sociability among youth in Kosovo

Panel 3 - Neighbors: Co-existence and reconciliation (11:45 -13:15)

11:45-12:15 - Božidar Jezernik - Czech Roots of the name Yugoslavia

12:15-12:45 - **Antonio Grgić** - The role of the monuments dedicated to the People's Liberation War in the reconciliation of neighbors in Yugoslavia after WWII

12:45-13:15 - **Ruža Fotiadis** - "Traditional Friends", "Orthodox Brothers" - and "Good Neighbours"? The Making of the Greek-Serbian Friendship during the 1990s

Panel 4 - Neighborhood and neighborly relations in Bosnia and Herzegovina (11:45 -13:15)

11:45-12:15 - Aline Cateux - Mostar, a geography of pain.

12:15-12:45 - Eneja Urnaut - Ordinary Heroes - Visual Arts as the Tool for Reconciliaton

12:45-13:15 - **Alenka Bartulović** - Old Neighbours, New Neighbours: Absence, Migrations, and the "Ruralization" of the City

Panel 5 - Neighbors and Nationalism (Montenegro, Serbia & BiH) (14:15-15:45)

14:15-14:45 - **František Šístek & Boban Batrićević** - Hidden Neighbors: Jews in Montenegro during the Second World War

14:45-15:15 - Keith Doubt - A Rhetorical Analysis of Nož: Vuk Drašković's Mein Kampf

15:15-15:45 - **Martina Plantak & Edina Paleviq** - Zar je važno dal se peva ili pjeva : Everyday nationhood and protest music in contemporary Montenegro

Panel 6 - Discourses of Otherness and practices of neighborhood (14:15-15:45)

14:15-14:45 - **Piotr Mirocha** - 'Significant Others'? Representation of neighbouring countries in Croatian and Serbian press discourses on Europe after 2007

14:45-15:15 - **Shkelzen Gashi** - The Kosovo War during 1998-1999 – in the history textbooks in Kosovo and Serbia

15:15-15:45 - Katarina Mitrović - Living with parents: neighborhood as a reason to stay

Academic book presentation (16:00-17:00)

Imagining Bosnian Muslims in Central Europe Moderator: **Mario Katić**, participating authors: **František Šístek** (editor), **Alenka Bartulović**, **Božidar Jezernik**, **Ladislav Hladký**, **Petr Stehlík**

SATURDAY, Nov. 13

Panel 7 - Greece & its neighbors (10:00-11:30)

10:00-10:30 - **Petros Marazopoulos** - "Reversed Nesting Orientalisms": The concept of Orientalism into a European context

10:30-11:00 - **Maria Paschalina Dimopoulou** - Greek perceptions of the Macedonian Name Dispute (1991-2019)

11:00-11:30 - **Konstantinos Tsivos** - The co-existence of Greek and Macedonian emigres in postwar Czechoslovakia: a graft that did not bloom

Panel 8 - The ideas of neighborhood & komšiluk in the Balkans (11:45-13:15)

11:45-12:15 - Bojan Baskar - "Because We Are Neighbors"

12:15-12:45 - Zora Hesová - "Citizens and neighbours", "komšiluk i džemat": concepts of neighbourly coexistence in Bosnian Muslim texts

12:45-13:15 - Sandra Grudic - Reconstructing Bosnian Komšiluk

Panel 9 - Ethnographic film projection (14:00-15:45)

Markéta Slavková & Viola Tokárová - M.I.R. (an ethnographic film from postwar Srebrenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

"Lastavica" café gallery (Opletalova 16, Praha) (17:00-24:00)

17:00-17:15 - Closing speech by the organizing committee

17:15-17:30 - Author reading by the ambassador of BiH in the Czech Republic, writer and journalist Martina Mlinarević Sopta

17:30-18:15 - Buybook Sarajevo author reading: Almir Imširević & Darko Cvijetić + discussion

18:15-18:45 - Exhibition opening - Eli Tauber - When the neighbors were real human beings

18:45-24:00 - Reception & networking

The majority of the program is going to be held at the **Faculty of Humanities**, **Charles University**. Address: Pátkova 2137/5, 182 00 Praha 8

Afternoon and evening Saturday program including the reception is going to be held at the "Lastavica" café gallery. Address: Opletalova 16, 110 00, Praha 1

The Zoom link is going to be sent to all of the participants via email few days prior to the event.

If you wish to register as a passive participant, please, send an email to the following address: konference.balkan@gmail.com

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