

Alternative Global Geographies

International Conference of the AHRC Project 'Socialism Goes Global' in cooperation with
the GWZO Leipzig and the Centre for Area Studies Leipzig

Date:

Friday and Saturday, 13-14 November 2015

Venue:

Centre for the History and Culture of East Central Europe (GWZO) Leipzig

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Reichsstraße 4-6

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Programme

Day 1: FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER

12.30 – 13.30pm Arrival and Registration

13.30 – 14.15 Opening roundtable

Matthias Middell (Leipzig)

Katja Naumann (Leipzig)

Others to be confirmed.

Panel 1

14.30 – 16.00

Re-envisioning the 'World System'

Quinn Slobodian (Wellesley), Neoliberal Geographic: The World Economy Against the Nation from Bernhard Harms to Herbert Giersch

James Mark (Exeter), Architects of the Semi-Periphery: Hungarian Reform Economists and the Re-Imagining of the World System, 1970-1995

Adam Kola (Toruń), Marian Małowist: World History on the Socialist Semi-Peripheries

16.00 Refreshments

Panel 2

16.30 – 18.00

Challenging Eurocentrism/ Western-centrism

Madeleine Elfenbein (Chicago), Islamism as Counter-Hegemony and as Imperial Ideology: The Writings of Namık Kemal and Ali Suavi

Jonathan Crossen (Waterloo), Indigenous Internationalism: The Fourth World as an alternative to Westphalian sovereignty

Dimitry Shlapentokh (Indiana), The Creation of Mongolian Commonwealth: The Case of Post-Soviet Russia and Eurasianism

19.30 **CONFERENCE DINNER – VENUE tbc**

Day 2: SATURDAY 14 NOVEMBER

Panel 3

09.00 – 10.15

Disputed Cartographies

Christian Lotz (Marburg), Mapping a socialist world. Conflict and cooperation during the Cold War and the production of the Karta Mira (World Map) 1:2.500.000

Pascale Siegrist (Konstanz), Is There an Anarchist Geography in the Nineteenth Century?

Panel 4

10.30 – 12.00

World History, World Culture - Re-Imagining Global Narratives, Recentering the World

Paul Betts (Oxford), The Dream of Socialist Antiquity: African Anthropology and Art from an East German Perspective

Corinne Geering (Giessen), World Culture in the Making: UNESCO and the Politics of International Cultural Cooperation during late Socialism

David Bryan (Birkbeck), Re-imagining the world in Franco's Spain: Empire, Hispanidad and global Catholicism.

12.00 – 13.00 **LUNCH**

Panel 5

13.00 – 14.30

Latin America: Transregional Circulations and Revolutionary Thought

Thomas Lindner (Berlin), Imagining the anti-imperialist world. Globalized visions from Latin America during the 1920s

David Mayer (Amsterdam), Re-mapping 20th century Marxism – the example of historiographic debates in the radical 1960s in Latin America

Paolo Capuzzo (Bologna), Geo-cultural maps of revolution: Gramsci, Marategui, Sultan-Galiev

Panel 6

14.45 – 15.45

Imagining an anti-imperialist world

Nemanja Radonjic (Belgrade), „From Kragujevac to Kilimanjaro“ - imagining and reimagining Africa in Socialist Yugoslavia's travelogues

Elizabeth Banks (New York), The Struggle is Shared: Revolution, Socialism and Transnational Vision in Mozambican Media Space 1965-80

Panel 7

16.15 – 17.45

Carriers of Geographical Imaginaries: Activists, Students, Movements

Caroline Moine (Paris), Imagining a world of solidarity. Situating the Chilean cause in the debates on North-South and East-West-relations in the 1970s

Tatiana Smirnova (Paris), Reconceptualization of the “socialist world” in Niger

Zsófia Lóránd (Florence), Looking at “Global Sisterhood” Through the Lens of Feminists in Yugoslavia

17.45 – 18.15

Summing up, future plans

19.30 Informal Dinner