2021 REECAS NW Conference Program

ALL TIMES ARE IN PACIFIC TIME

9:00 am Pacific Time (Seattle) = 12:00 pm East Coast (NYC) = 6:00 pm CEST (Berlin)
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Monday, April 26

Technical Rehearsal (for panelists only): A drop-in technical rehearsal hour to test technical functions. Join us using your unique panelist Zoom link that you received in your email.
Time: 9:00 – 10:00 am Pacific Time

Tuesday, April 27

Pre-Conference Lecture: Dr. Elżbieta Korolczuk – Anti-Gender Politics and Rightwing Populism in Poland
Join us on Zoom: https://washington.zoom.us/j/98363247102
Time: 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Pacific Time

Wednesday, April 28

Panel W-1: Imagining Space, Place, and Representation in Russia and Eastern Europe
Channel A
Time: 9:00 am – 10:30 am Pacific Time
  Panel Chair: Glennys Young
  Panelists:
  · Jelena Culibrk: Moulding and Mutilating: British representations of Tito’s Yugoslavia, 1946-1961
  · Morgan Forde: Knowledge as Power and Production: Theorizing the Peoples Friendship University of Russia as a Site of Black Placemaking and Liberation
  · Anya Free: War on Display: Moscow, Kiev, Minsk
Panel W-2A: Golden and Silver Ages of Russian Literature

Channel A
Time: 10:45 am – 12:15 pm Pacific Time
Panel Chair: Galya Diment
Panelists:
- Margarita Delcheva: The “Zero-Ending” and Negation as Destruction in the work of Daniil Kharms
- Susana Fuentes: Chekhov’s short stories and the contemporary world: gestures and silences
- Alexey Kotelvas: Portraiture as the Cultural practice in the Russian Silver Age
- Svetlana Ostroverkhova: The Representation of Female Holy Fools in Fyodor Dostoevsky’s novel ‘Demons’ and Alexander Solzhenitsyn’s ‘Matryona’s House’

Panel W-2B: Authoritarians, Opposition, and Opportunity in Eastern Europe and the Black Sea

Channel B
Time: 10:45 am – 12:15 pm Pacific Time
Panel Chair: Scott Radnitz
Panelists:
- Gokten Dogangun: Nationalism and Traditionalism as Means for Perpetuating Competitive Authoritarian Regimes in Russia and Turkey
- Yelda Karadağ: Re-Considering the Role of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization: Still an Active Player in the Black Sea Regionalization Process?
- Samuel Kramer: Surfing Democratization’s Fifth Wave
- Mykola Polovyi: Main features of contemporary pro-Russian propaganda in social networks in Ukraine

Panel W-3: Writers and Literature Across Borders in Eastern Europe

Channel A
Time: 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm Pacific Time
Panel Chair: Gordana Crnković
Panelists:
- Michael Breger: Metropolitan Greetings: Allen Ginsberg Behind the Iron Curtain
- Nicole Burgund: Before the sea I have no secrets: Nature, subject, and mood in the poetry of Vesna Parun
- Marta Tomakhiv: Ukrainian American Writers: Fiction, or Poetry?
Thursday, April 29

Panel Th-1: The Future of Nagorno-Karabakh: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Peacebuilding and Development in the South Caucasus

Channel A
Time: 9:00 am – 10:30 am Pacific Time
Participants:
· Arman Grigoryan, Associate Professor of International Relations, Lehigh University
· Fariz Huseynov, Professor of Finance and Faculty Fellow, Challey Institute for Global Innovation and Growth, North Dakota State University
· Onnik James Krikorian, Journalist, Photographer and Media Consultant
· Emin Milli, Founder, Restart Initiative
Moderator:
· Jeanene Mitchell, PhD, Visiting Scholar, Ellison Center, University of Washington

Panel Th-2: Faking War, Making Peace: The USSR and Eastern Europe

Channel A
Time: 10:45 am – 12:15 pm Pacific Time
Panel Chair: Jeanene Mitchell
Panelists:
· Susan Baker: Peace for Yugoslavia: Failures and Successes

Keynote Speaker: Daniel Chirot - Revolutions: Past and Future Hopes and Tragedies
Channel A
Time: 12:30 pm Pacific Time

Friday, April 30

Panel F-1A: Feminist Anthropology of Old Europe: Celebrating the Centennial of Marija Gimbutas (1921-2021)

Channel A
Time: 9:00 am – 10:30 am Pacific Time
Panel Chair: Guntis Smidchens
Panelists:
· Ernestine S. Elster: Marija Gimbutas and "Old Europe"
· Rasa Navickaite: Goddess Archaeology: Marija Gimbutas, Feminism, and the Construction of Eastern European Heritage
· Colin Renfrew
Zivile Gimbutas

Panel F-1B: Grappling with Troubled Historical Memories in Eastern Europe and Russia

**Channel B**

**Time:** 9:00 am – 10:30 am Pacific Time  
**Panel Chair:** Ekaterina Klimenko  
**Panelists:**  
- **Nicholas Kulawiak:** Historical Debate and State Interests: Polish-Israeli Relations amid Poland’s “Trench Warfare” over Holocaust History  
- **Fran Leskovar:** ‘Playing Hapsburg:’ The Hapsburg Monarchy and The post-Yugoslav Croatian Society  
- **Ben Tromly:** The Place of General Vlasov in post-1991 Memory Conflicts in Russia

Panel F-2A: Looking back at Century of Baltic History and Politics

**Channel A**

**Time:** 10:45 am – 12:15 pm Pacific Time  
**Panel Chair:** Guntis Smidchens  
**Panelists:**  
- **Eleanor Lopatto:** Observations on Baltic Social Resilience During the COVID-19 Infodemic  
- **Ian Gwin**  
- **Aldis Purs:** On Monuments in Latvia, 1918-1940

Panel F-2B: Language and Ethnography in Central Asia

**Channel B**

**Time:** 10:45 am – 12:15 pm Pacific Time  
**Panel Chair:** Talant Mawkanuli  
**Panelists:**  
- **Ali Mametraimov:**  
- **Joseph Wilson:** Discourses of Migration and Language Policy in East Kazakhstan - A Critical Conversation Analysis  
- **Kenneth Yin:** On the Folk Narrative Tradition of the Dungans, the Sinophone Muslims of Central Asia

**Plenary Speaker:** Scott Montgomery - Russia as the World’s Energy Superpower – How Long Will It Last?

**Channel A**

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