

# POWER SEIZED. EAST CENTRAL EUROPE RULED BY COMMUNIST PARTIES (1948-1956)

THE SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE SERIES:  
“REVOLUTION ACCOMPLISHED. COMMUNISTS IN POWER”

PROGRAMME

BUDAPEST, 3-4 OCTOBER 2019

**THURSDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2019**

**9.00 OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE**

**PANEL I**

**9.30 PART I**

Mirośław Szumiło: The Communist Elite of Power in Poland and Czechoslovakia in the Period of Stalinism. An Attempt to Compare

Gábor Szilágyi: The Leadership of the Hungarian Working People's Party, 1948-1953

Bartłomiej Kapica: Gomułka's Ideologist. Władysław Bieńkowski and His Role in 'Rightist-nationalist Deviation' Accusation in 1948-1955

**DISCUSSION**

'Digital Histories of Communist Rule. East-Central Europe in the Files of the UK Foreign Office' presentation by Joseph Kelly (Editorial Assistant, Digital Resources Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group)

**10.50 Coffee break**

**11.20 PART II**

Detelina Dineva: The Bulgarian Communist Regime's Policy against Its (Perceived) Opponents, 1948-1956

Enis Sulstarova: Resisting De-Stalinization. Communist Albania in the Years 1953-1956

Agata Domachowska: Albanian Opposition in Exile after World War II. Organization, Areas of Activities and Internal Divisions

**DISCUSSION**

**12.30**            **Lunch**

**14.00**            **PART III**

Marta Paszek: Influence of the Polish United Workers' Party (PZPR) on Military Judges and their Judgements, 1948-1955

Barbara Bank: An Example of Communist Justice. The Strictly Confidential Legislative Decree No. 26 of 1950

István Ötvös: Illegal Proceedings and their Political Usage in Hungary

**DISCUSSION**

**15.10**            **Coffee break**

**15.40**            **PANEL II**

Michał Przeperski: Ship without the Rudder. The Polish Journalism and the Attempt at Self-Correction of the System after 20th Congress of the CPSU

Paweł Sasanka: Authorities, Press and Journalists in Poland between the 20th CPSU Congress and October 1956

Domokos Szokolay: 'Whatever the Regime, Hungary Is Our Country.' The Fate of Former Resisters and Middle-Class Hungarians after 1945

**DISCUSSION**

**16.50**            **Coffee break**

**17.20**            **PANEL III**

Dániel József Hollósi: The Nationalization of the Hungarian Industry

Dániel Luka: Commissars in the Office in the Field? Transformation of Agricultural Administration in Hungary, 1945-1956

József Ö. Kovács: Liquidation of Traditional Peasant Societies in Hungarian and East-German Aspects

**DISCUSSION**

**18.30**            **CLOSING REMARKS**

## **FRIDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2019**

**9.00**            **OPENING WORDS**

**9.10**            **PANEL IV**

Rafał Łatka: 'The One Who Survived.' Catholic Church in Poland in Stalinist Period in the Policy of Polish People's Republic

Krasimira Todorova: The Show Trial against Evangelical Churches in Bulgaria in 1949

Viktor Attila Soós: Another Persecution against the Church. The Grósz Trial

Gergely Isó: Church Persecution from the Lutheran Point of View. The Situation of the Evangelical-Lutheran Church in Hungary between 1948 and 1956

### **DISCUSSION**

**10.40**            **Coffee break**

**11.10**            **PANEL V**

Kim Frederichsen: The Sovietization of Eastern Europe as Reflected in the Cultural Cold War

Anna Marcinkiewicz-Kaczmarczyk: 'What Does a Socialism Give Women?' Soviet Patterns Disseminated by the Women's League in Polish People's Republic during the Period from 1948-1956

Aleš Gabrič: Slovene Cultural Scene under the Soviet Influence

### **DISCUSSION**

**12.20**            **Lunch**

**13.50**            **PANEL VI**

Piotr Budzyński: The Real Masters of the Academy? Organizations of the Polish United Workers' Party at Polish Universities during Stalinian Period

Dragomir Bondžić: The Communist Party of Yugoslavia and Belgrade University, 1945-1955

Arjan Shanini: The Sovietization of Albanian Education, 1948-1956

### **DISCUSSION**

**15.00**            **Coffee break**

**15.30**

**PANEL VII**

Jacek Tebinka: British Policy towards the Soviet Bloc Countries, 1948-1956. From Satellite States to the National Communism in Poland

Paweł Jaworski: Neutral during the Cold War? Sweden and the Soviet Satellites, 1948-1956

Aleksandar Zivotic: Stalinism without Stalin. Yugoslav (People's) Army as the Backbone of Tito's Regime, 1948-1954

**DISCUSSION**

**16.40**

**CLOSING THE CONFERENCE**