

Past Events

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Spring Term 2018

16 January 2018,
6-8pm
Room 433, UCL
SSEES
Dr Piro Rexhepi: The Intricate Web of 'Islamic Sexualities' and the Injunctions of Coloniality in the Balkans

20 February 2018,
6-8pm
Room 433, UCL
SSEES
Dr Koen Slootmaeckers: The Promotion of and Resistance to LGBT Equality

Autumn Term 2017

03 October
2017, 6-8pm
Room 433, UCL
SSEES
Prof Keith Brown (Arizona State University): Instruments of violence, vehicles of value: The Ottoman-American gun trade as intercultural encounter.

3 February 2017
6-8pm
Room 432, UCL
SSEES
The Croatian Spring 1966-71 with Dr Ante Batovic hosted by Dr Bojan Aleksov

22 November
2017, 6-8pm
Room 433, UCL
SSEES
Dr Vassilis Petsinis (University of Tartu): **Competing conservatisms in Serbia and Croatia**

Spring Term 2017

10 January 2017
6-8pm
Room 432, UCL
SSEES
Dr. Julija Sardelic, Postdoctoral researcher, University of Liverpool
"The Refugee Crisis and its Impact on Marginalized Minorities along the Western Balkan Route"

3 February 2017
6-8pm
Room 432, UCL
SSEES
Dr. Catherine Baker, Lecturer, University of Hull
Book Launch: "20th Century Gender History of Eastern Europe in the 21st Century"

21 February 2017
6-8pm
Room 432, UCL
SSEES
Dr. Alex Drace-Francis, Associate Professor, University of Amsterdam
"From confrontation to impersonation: Romanian encounters with the English, 1825-1900"

- 7 March 2017
6-8pm
432, UCL SSEES
- Dr. Máté Rigó**, Max Weber Post-doctoral Fellow, European University Institute, Florence
"Clientelism, Patronage, Accommodation: Austro-Hungarian, French, and Romanian Business Elites in post-WWI Greater Romania"
- 14 March 6-8pm 432,
UCL SSEES
- Ana Antic**, Lecturer, University of Exeter
Book launch: Therapeutic Fascism: Experiencing the Violence of the Nazi New Order
- 10 May 2017, 5-7pm
Room TBC
- Eva Simčić**, University of Zagreb
Assemblage through fissure: framing of the Post-Yugoslav in Daša Drndić's *Maria Częstohowska still shedding tears or Dying in Toronto*

Autumn Term 2016

- 18 October 2016
6-8pm
Room 432, UCL
SSEES
- Dr Rory Archer** (UCL Mellon Post-Doctoral Fellow, UCL SSEES): Social inequalities and working class grievances in late Yugoslav socialism
- 15 November 2016
6-8pm
Room 432, UCL
SSEES
- Dr Vladimir Unkovski-Korica** (Lecturer, University of Glasgow): Book launch talk: *The Economic Struggle for Power in Tito's Yugoslavia: From World War II to Non-Alignment*. I.B. Tauris, 2016
- 29 November 2016
6-8pm
Room 432, UCL
SSEES
- Dr Nevila Pahumi** (Alexander Nash Fellow in Albanian Studies, UCL SSEES): Global Goes Local: Christian Workers, Gender and Cultural Translation in the Late Ottoman Balkans
- 13 December 2016
6-8pm
432, UCL SSEES
- Dr Peter Siani-Davies** (Honorary Senior Research Associate, UCL SSEES): Book launch talk: Crisis in Greece

Spring Term 2016

- Tuesday 12 January
- Dubravka Ugrešić**
Women in politics, men in power and obstinate ways of misogyny and xenophobia
- Tuesday 19 January
- Armina Omerika (Goethe University of Frankfurt)**
Renegotiating Tradition: Islamic Discourses of Post-Dayton Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Tuesday 9 February
- Jana Bacevic (Cambridge)**
Neoliberalism on the periphery? Higher education and knowledge production after Yugoslavia
- Friday 11 March
Room 431
- Amelia Jane Abercrombie (University of Manchester)**
A Romani Organisation in Yugoslavia and Kosovo

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CSEES SEMINAR

Tuesday 15 March **Andy Aitchison (University of Edinburgh)**
Police and Persecution in Bosnian Krajina: Democratisation,
Deprofessionalisation and Militarisation

Thursday 17 March
Room 347 **Dušan Bataković (Institute for Balkan Studies of the Serbian
Academy of Sciences and Arts)**
Serbia in the Great War

Tuesday 22 March **Screening of the Albanian film 'SkaNdal'**
ORGANSIED BY THE ALEXANDER NASH ALBANIAN STUDIES
PROGRAMME AND THE ANGLO-ALBANIAN ASSOCIATION

Wednesday 13 April **Launch of the crime stories collection *Zagreb Noir***

Friday 15 April **Book Launch and Discussion Panel: Figuring Out the Enemy: Re-
imagining Serbian-Albanian Relations**

Autumn Term 2015

Dr Paul Stubbs (Institute of Economics, Zagreb)

Flex Actors and Philanthropy in (Post-)Conflict Arenas: Soros' Open Society Foundations in the
Post-Yugoslav Space

Tuesday 20 October 2015 6pm - 8pm

A meeting with Bulgarian writer Georgi Gospodinov

Chair: Dr Dimitar Kamburov (Trinity College Dublin)

Tuesday 23 October 2015 6pm - 8pm

Marija Žurnić:

Corruption Scandals in Serbia from 2000 to 2012: Anti-Corruption Discourse and Institutional
Change

Tuesday 27 October 2015 6pm - 8pm

Dr Ana Antic (Birkbeck University, London)

South-eastern Europe in the 1940s: Reading psychiatric case files as a historical source

Tuesday 1 December 2015 6pm - 8pm

Dr Vanessa Pupavac (Nottingham)

Area studies in the era of big data and social media analysis: The possibilities and limits of social
media analysis of the Balkan floods 2014

Tuesday 8 December 2015 6pm - 8pm

Spring Term 2015

**The precarious situation in Macedonia and who or what is threatening it - A Panel
Discussion**

19 May 2015, 5pm, UCL SSEES Masaryk SCR

Reforming Albania's Labour and Skills Market - H.E. Erion Veliaj, Albanian Minister of Social Welfare and Youth

20 January 2015, 6pm, UCL Drayton B20 Jevons Lecture Theatre

Chair: Gëzim Krasniqi (UCL SSEES)

Normal – Real Stories from the Sex Industry: Documentary Film Screening and Discussion with Professor Nick Mai (London Metropolitan University)

3 February 2015, 6pm, UCL SSEES Room 347

Chair: Gëzim Krasniqi (UCL SSEES)

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Chair: Gëzim Krasniqi (UCL SSEES)

Innocence and Victimhood: Gender, Nation, and Women's Activism in Postwar Bosnia-Herzegovina - Elissa Helms, Central European University, Budapest

24 February 2015, 6pm, UCL SSEES Room 347

Ethnic Conflict and War Crimes in the Balkans: Narratives of Denial in Post-Conflict Serbia (2013, IB Tauris, London) - Jelena Obradovic-Wochnik (Aston University)

3 March 2015, 6pm, UCL SSEES Room 432

Discussants: Dr Denisa Kostovicova (LSE), Dr Eric Gordy (UCL SSEES), and Dr Jasna Dragovic-Soso (Goldsmiths)

The Politics of Memory in Bulgaria - Professor Evelina Kelbecheva (American University in Bulgaria)

5 March 2015, 6pm, UCL SSEES Room 432

Book launch - The Foreign Policies of Post-Yugoslav States: From Yugoslavia to Europe (2014, Palgrave Macmillan, London)

Co-editor: Dr Soeren Keil, Senior Lecturer (Canterbury Christ Church University)

Author (Kosovo chapter): Dr Gëzim Krasniqi (UCL SSEES)

5 May 2015, 6pm, UCL SSEES Masaryk Senior Common Room

Discussants: Dr James Ker-Lindsay (LSE) and Dr Eric Gordy (UCL SSEES)

Autumn term 2014

Between Justice and Stability - The Politics of War Crimes Prosecutions in Post-Milošević Serbia

Tuesday 28 October 2014, 18.00 – 20.00

Mladen Ostojić (Ashgate 2014)

Discussants: Dr Eric Gordy (UCL SSEES), Dr Jasna Dragovic-Soso (Goldsmiths), Dr Adam Fagan (Queen Mary)

Moderator: Dr Bojan Aleksov, Coordinator of the Centre of South-East European Studies

Room 431, UCL SSEES 16 Taviton Street, London WC1H 0BW

Cultures of Democracy in Serbia and Bulgaria. How Ideas Shape Publics (Ashgate 2014) - By James Dawson (UCL)

Tuesday 18 November 2014, 18.00 – 20.00

Discussants: Dr Sean Hanley (UCL SSEES), Dr Jasna Dragovic-Soso (Goldsmiths), Dr Ana Omaljev (Univ. of Reading)

Moderator: Dr Bojan Aleksov, Coordinator of the Centre of South-East European Studies

Spring Term 2014

Third Joint PhD Symposium on South East Europe

The main objective of the symposium is to facilitate the exchange of knowledge and ideas between scholars currently undertaking doctoral research on the Balkan region in UK or elsewhere.

13 June 2014 (All day event)

Twentieth Century Bulgarian Writers and Intellectuals working in London

A lecture by Dr Ognyan Kovachev (Sofia University) and the London premiere screening of "Silenced: Georgi Markov and the Umbrella Murder" (2012) 5 June 2014

Shopping abroad and socialist Yugoslavia: a necessity or a whim?

Igor Duda, University of Pula, The Centre for Cultural and Historical Research of Socialism

28 April 2014

A Debate on The Crisis of Democracy in Europe: Russia and Us

Radan Kanev, (Bulgarian centre-right politician) and Dr. Dimitar Bechev, (head of the Sofia office of the ECFR)

This debate aims to take a view from Bulgaria on the upcoming EU elections, the role of Russia in Eastern Europe and the Ukraine Crisis.

31 March 2014

Bosnia and Herzegovina - the continuing effects of the Balkans armed conflict on its society

Howard Tucker, Head of Mission at United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

18 March 2014

The Majority Starts Here - a film on youth and legacy of conflicts in the Balkans

Balkan Investigative Reporting Network (BIRN)

The screening and discussion of the documentary film on youth and legacy of conflicts in the Balkans.

In the company of film makers Gordana Igrić (Balkan Insight, Serbia); Ana Petrusseva (Balkan Insight, Macedonia); Jeta Xharra (Balkan Insight, Kosovo).

11 March 2014

Spring Term 2013

Albania: Pre-electoral Landscape

HE Nicholas Cannon (British Ambassador to Albania) talks about the Albanian Parliamentary elections due to be held on 23 June 2013.

Organised by the Anglo-Albanian Association under auspices of the Centre for South-East European Studies and the Alexander Nash Fellow for Albanian Studies.

15 May 2013

Spring Term 2008

The 'Urban' and 'Rural' in Present-Day Bulgaria

29-30 May 2008