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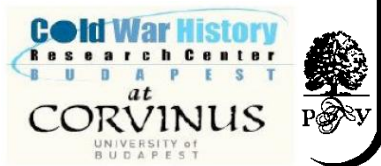


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International Conference

The end of an era: The Kremlin and Eastern Europe 1989–1991

Budapest, Andrásy University

18–19 September 2012

Tuesday, 18 September 2012

9.00 a.m.: Opening

Georg Kastner, Andrásy University

Csaba Békés, Corvinus University of Budapest

Stefan Karner, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Research on War Consequences, Graz – Vienna

Ambassador Dr. Michael Zimmermann, Austrian Embassy Budapest

9.30–11.30 a.m.

Panel 1: The Soviet Union and Eastern Europe

Chair: Hermann Wentker (Institut for Contemporary History, Munich-Berlin)

Mark Kramer (Harvard University, Cambridge), Gorbachev and the transformation in Eastern Europe

Mikhail Prozumenshchikov (Russian State Archive for Contemporary History, Moscow), The end of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union

Stefan Karner (L. B. Institute for Research on War Consequences, Graz – Vienna): The End of the planned economy

11.30-11.50: Coffee break

11.50 a.m.–1.15 p.m.

Panel 2: The “Eastern Bloc countries” (Part 1)

Chair: Peter Ruggenthaler (L. B. Institute for Research on War Consequences, Graz – Vienna)

Csaba Békés (Corvinus University of Budapest), Political transition in Hungary, 1988-1991

Bogdan Musial (Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Warsaw), Poland

1.15–3.00 p.m. Lunch break

3.00-4.30 p.m.

Panel 3: The “Eastern Bloc countries” (Part 2)

Chair: Csaba Békés (Corvinus University of Budapest)

Hermann Wentker (Institut for Contemporary History, Munich-Berlin), Between isolation and reunification: the GDR's foreign policy in 1989/90

Iskra Baeva (Clement Ohrid University, Sofia), Bulgaria 1989 – 1991: The Difficult Breaking-off with the Soviet Union

Mark Kramer (Harvard University, Cambridge), The bloody End of Ceausescu's rule

7.30 p.m. Evening reception at the Austrian Embassy Budapest (only for speakers)

Wednesday, 19. September 2012

9.00–10.30 a.m.

Panel 4: Glasnost

Chair: Olga Pavlenko (Russian State University for Humanities, Moscow)

Boris Khavkin (Russian State University for Humanities, Moscow), On the history of the publication of the Soviet texts of Soviet-German secret documents from 1939–1941

Nataliya Lebedeva (Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow), Handling of the historical truth: Katyn

Irina Kazarina (Russian State Archive for Contemporary History, Moscow), The opening of Soviet Archives

10.30–11.00 p.m. Coffee break

11.00 p.m.–12.30 a.m.

Panel 5: The fall of the Berlin Wall

Chair: Georg Kastner (Andrássy-Universität)

Gerhard Wettig (Institute for Contemporary History, Munich-Berlin), Gorbachev and the Warsaw Pact

Ol'ga Pavlenko (Russian State University for Humanities Moscow), The last meeting of the Warsaw

Pact before the fall of the Berlin Wall

Thomas Wegener-Friis (University of Southern Denmark): The GDR State Security's work in the West and the research on intelligence services

12.30–2.30 p.m. Lunch break

2.30–3.30 p.m.

Panel 6: The fall of the Iron Curtain

Chair: László Kiss (Corvinus University of Budapest)

Magdolna Baráth (Historical Archives of the Former State Security Services, Budapest), The withdrawal of Soviet troops from Hungary and East Central Europe

Harald Knoll (L. B. Institute for Research on War Consequences, Graz-Vienna), Austria and the Yugoslavian Civil War

3.30–4.00 p.m. Coffee break

4.00–5.00 p.m. Closing lecture

Chair: Barbara Stelzl-Marx

Vladislav Zubok, A Failed Empire: The End of an Era

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