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International Student Conference
at Corvinus University of Budapest**

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PROGRAM

JUNE 4, TUESDAY

10:00–10:15

OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE

10:00–10:05 OPENING REMARKS

Csaba BÉKÉS, Professor, Director, Cold War History Research Center at HAS and Corvinus University of Budapest

10:05–10:15 OPENING SPEECH

László CSICSMANN, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences and International Relations, Corvinus University of Budapest

10:15–11:15

KEYNOTE SPEECH

VLADISLAV ZUBOK, Professor of International History, London School of Economics and Political Science

Did the Cold War End in 1991? The Soviet Collapse and the Rise of the New Order

11:15 – 12:50

PANEL 1

BUILDING BRIDGES, DIPLOMACY AND RELATIONS BETWEEN BLOCS

Chair: **Csaba BÉKÉS** (Professor, Director, Cold War History Research Center at HAS and Corvinus University of Budapest)

Ondrej HOLUB (University of Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic, PhD student)
The Face of Opposition. The Communist Party of Austria between 1956–1966

Anna STEINER (Ludwig Boltzmann Institut für Kriegsfolgenforschung, Graz,
Austria, PhD student)
The Role of Neutral Austria in Soviet Foreign Policy Strategy, 1969–1975

Andrei OLTEANU (Babes-Boyai University, Cluj, Romania, BA student)
Romania's Relations with the USA during the Cold War

Alexander TOSI (West Point Military Academy, USA)
The Thatcher–Gorbachev Correspondence: How the Iron Lady helped end the Cold
War

Discussion

12:50 –13:00 BREAK

13:00–14:35

PANEL 2 NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND INTELLIGENCE

Chair: **Günter BISCHOF** (University Research & Marshall Plan Professor of History,
Director, Center Austria, The University of New Orleans, USA)

Jiří PONDĚLÍČEK (Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic, PhD student)
Four Long Years – The Significance of the US Atomic Monopoly Revisited

Jack SARGENT (LSE, London, UK, MSc student)
The Nuclear Ambitions of the Shah of Iran

Lubos VESELY (Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic, PhD student)
What did KGB Report on the Prague Spring to Petro Shelest and Why?

Discussion

14:35 –15:45

LUNCH BREAK

Lunch for Conference Presenters and Panel Chairs

15:45–17:00

PANEL 3

**THE REVOLT OF THE GLOBAL SOUTH: DECOLONIZATION, REVOLUTIONS
AND NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS**

Chair: **Barnabás VAJDA** (Associate Professor, University Selye János, Komárno, Slovakia)

Lasse LASSEN (Bielefeld University, Germany, PhD candidate)

The Tricontinental Conference of Havana – Aligning the Global South for the Cold War

Barbora MENCLOVÁ (Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic, PhD Student)

The Role of Czechoslovakia in Angola in the 1970s and 1980s

Bálint KÁSA (Corvinus University of Budapest, Hungary, PhD candidate)

Libya in the Cold War

Discussion

17:00–17:10 BREAK

17:10 – 18:30 PANEL 4
THE WESTERN PRESENCE IN AFRICA

Chair: **Dániel VÉKONY** (Associate Professor, Corvinus University of Budapest)

Tasos PANOUTSOPOULOS (University of Athens, Greece, PhD candidate)
NATO's Committee on Africa, 1959–1965

Thandeka SIBIYA (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, PhD candidate)
Alliance between Apartheid South Africa and the United States of America:
Reflecting on Military and Veto Power.

Samuel BLANÈS TARGETT (Oxford University, UK, BA student)
UK–Djibouti Relations during the Cold War, 1977–1991

Discussion

JUNE 5, WEDNESDAY

9:30 – 10:10

KEYNOTE SPEECH

Victoria PHILLIPS, Lecturer in History, Columbia University, USA
American Document and American Icons: 'Grahamizing' and 'Americanizing' the Ballet
Defectors for a Return to the Soviet Stage, 1989

10:10–11:25

PANEL 5

THE NATURE OF PROXY WAR CONFLICTS IN THE COLD WAR AND BEYOND

Chair: **Margaret MANCHESTER** (Assistant Professor, Providence College, USA)

Zoltán HARANGI-TÓTH (National University of Public Service, Budapest, PhD Candidate in Military Science)

Vietnam's Two Wars – A Military History Comparison between Two Conflicts

Réka SZABÓ (University of Bologna, Italy, MA student)

The Influence of the Cold War on the Arab–Israeli conflict

Gáspár BÉKÉS (Sciences Po, Paris, France, MA student)

UN Peacekeeping's Prospects in the Age of Autonomous Weapons

Discussion

11:25–11:35 BREAK

11:35 – 13:10

PANEL 6

THE SOCIAL DIMENSIONS OF THE COLD WAR

Chair: **Attila BARTHA** (Research Fellow, Institute for Political Science, Centre for Social Sciences, Hungarian Academy of Sciences)

Natalia BORYS (Université de Genève, Global Studies Institute, Switzerland, PhD candidate)

Voyages, voyages...How Ukrainian Soviet historians travelled to the People's Democracies (Hungary and Poland) in the 1960s–1980s.

Rachel Olivia DI SALVO (Columbia University, USA, and LSE, London, UK, MA student)

Mediating sanctuary: Mayoral Impact on Sanctuary Policy and the Central American Refugee Crisis in San Francisco and Los Angeles, 1981–1993

Katherine NICKOLS (Columbia University, USA and LSE, London, UK, MA student)

“In the Shadow of the Vatican”: Clarence Gamble and the De Marchis Contraceptive Quest in Rome

Mia BEAN (West Point Military Academy, USA)

Women in Revolution: Caretakers and Soldiers

Discussion

13:10–14:10 LUNCH BREAK

Lunch for Conference Presenters and Panel Chairs

14:10 –15:45

PANEL 7

MEDIA, JOURNALISM AND PROPAGANDA IN THE COLD WAR

Chair: **Péter MARTON** (Associate Professor, Corvinus University of Budapest)

Mariia ZIMINA (CEU, Budapest, MA student)

Who are the News Agencies? The International Network of Soviet Journalists

Ádám FARKAS (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, PhD student)

Soviet Propaganda and Culture in Hungary after 1945

Lorenzo VENUTI (University of Florence, Italy, PhD Candidate)

Anticommunism in Italy in the early Cold War: the case of the “Mostra dell’aldilà”(1953)

Victoria JONES (LSE, London, UK, MA student)

Snapshots of History: Dissecting the Role of Photojournalism in the Hungarian
Revolution of 1956

Discussion

15:45 –15:55 BREAK

PANEL 8

15:55 – 17:10

PROPAGANDA BY OTHER MEANS AND DAILY LIFE

Chair: **Máté SZALAI** (Assistant Professor, Corvinus University of Budapest)

Ksenia ERMISHINA (Moscow National Research University, "Higher School of
Economics", Russia, BA Student)

‘Israeli imperialists’: exploring the Connection between the Soviet ‘anti-Israeli’
campaign in 1967 and the Cold war Situation.

Babeev CYRIL (LSE, London, UK, MSc student)

Friendship Between Puppets: The Obratsov Russian Puppet Theatre and The Ed
Sullivan Show in Moscow and New York

Carol JIA LU LI (LSE, London, UK, MA student)

The Politics of American Chinese Food and Successful Assimilation in Cold War
America

Discussion

17:10–18:45

PANEL 9

ARTS AND THE COLD WAR

Chair: **Victoria PHILLIPS** (Lecturer in History, Columbia University, USA)

James ENGELS (LSE, London, UK, MSc student)

Revolutionary Études: The Tenth International Chopin Competition and the Politics of Classical Music Competitions in 1980

Judas EVERETT (Moscow National Research University, "Higher School of Economics", Russia, PhD candidate)

Soviet Cinema and Remembrance: The Case of Repentance 1987

Olga OLKHEFT (Bielefeld University, Germany, PhD candidate)

Re-conception of the Russian Avant-Garde Art through the International Exhibitions in the Throes of the Cultural Cold War

László SZABOLCS (Indiana University, USA, PhD Candidate)

Cultural Diplomacy and Cold War Interactions: Hungarian Participants at the Iowa International Writing Program

Discussion

18:45–18:55

CLOSING REMARKS

Csaba BÉKÉS, Professor, Director, Cold War History Research Center at HAS and Corvinus University of Budapest

19:30

DINNER

Dinner for Conference Presenters and Panel Chairs