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XXXI INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

SECRET AND PUBLIC SECRET

19-20 May 2022

PROGRAM

CONFERENCE HALL 114, CORPUS I, SOUTH-WEST UNIVERSITY

10. 00 – 10. 30 – REGISTRATION OF THE PARTICIPANTS

10. 30 – 10. 45 – OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE XXXI INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

10. 45 – 13. 00 – PLENARY PAPERS

Chairperson: Petar Vodenicharov

10.45 – 12.00

ZHANA POPOVA, (SOFIA UNIVERSITY "ST. KLIMENT OHRIDSKY")

Self-reflections of journalists on censorship and pressure in the media they leave

ELENA KREJČOVÁ (MASARYKOVY UNIVERZITY, BRNO)

NADEZHDA STALIYANOVA (SOFIA UNIVERSITY "ST. KLIMENT OHRIDSKY")

There is nothing hidden in the Balkans (The secret in Balkan phraseology)

MILENA ANGELOVA, (SOUTH-WEST UNIVERSITY "NEOFIT RILSKI")

"Public secrecy" and "national minorities" – the Talysh in the Soviet Azerbaijan

БЕСЕЛИН ВУЧКОВ (NEW BULGARIAN UNIVERSITY)

An institutional effort: recent memories
or how the archive of the Bulgarian State Security was preserved

ANASTASIYA PASHOVA, PETAR VODENICHAROV (SOUTH-WEST UNIVERSITY "NEOFIT RILSKI")

The case of Levanevski – between criminal and political discourse

12.00-12.30 – DISCUSSION

12.30-13.00 – ALEXANDER GENCHEV AND IGLIKA LIYUTSKANOVA

Exhibition "Concentration camps and the forbidden music"

13.00-14.00 – LUNCH BREAK

Chairperson: Kristina Popova

EVELINA KELBECHEVA, AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN BULGARIA

Unknown ignorance (sociological research on knowledge of communism)

MOMCHIL DOYCHEV, NEW BULGARIAN UNIVERSITY

Conspiracy theories and real conspiracies in hybrid warfare

ELENA AZMANOVA-RUDARSKA, SOUTH-WEST UNIVERSITY "NEOFIT RILSKI"

The Secret side of the "Nobel" challenge – archives, secret societies, publicity
(Bulgaria, 1900-1930)

GEORGETA NAZARSKA, UNIVERSITY OF LIBRARY STUDIES AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES, SOFIA

The Occult sect of the Bô Yin Râ followers in Bulgaria (1940s-1970s)

MARINELA MLADENOVA, SOUTH-WEST UNIVERSITY "NEOFIT RILSKI"

"Romanian Siberia" in the traumatic memories of the Bulgarian Catholics from Banat

15.15-15.30 – COFFEE BREAK

DEYAN STATULOV, (BULGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES)

Censorship and propaganda in the Bulgarian cinema for children (1948-1989)

ANDRONIKA MARTONOVA, (BULGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES)

(Non) visible child in the Bulgarian cinema

MAGDALENA KOSTOVA-PANAYOTOVA, (SOUTH-WEST UNIVERSITY "NEOFIT RILSKI")

Domestication of the panther

MARIA PILEVA, (BULGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES)

Censorship and reception of the novels "Robinson Crusoe" and "Uncle-Tom's Hut"

MARINE AROSHIDZE & NINO AROSHIDZE (BATUMI SHOTA RUSTAVELI STATE UNIVERSITY)

The Role of censorship and propaganda in the Creation of political myths

16.30-17.00 – DISCUSSION

17.30 – Presenting new books

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10. 00– 13. 00 – 3 SESSION

Chairpersons: Milena Angelova, Nurie Muratova

10.00 – 12.00

VLADISLAV MILANOV, (SOFIA UNIVERSITY “ST. KLIMENT OHRIDSKY”)

Names of secrecy in the Bulgarian dialects

EVGENIA IVANOVA, (NEW BULGARIAN UNIVERSITY)

Penalties and doubts. The mysterious Bulgarian "Islamists" and their public processes

CLAUDIA-FLORENTINA DOBRE (UNIVERSITY OF BUKAREST)

The Uses and Misuses of the Secret Communist Police Files.

The instrumentalization of the notorious Securitate` archives in the postcommunist era

KRISTINA POPOVA, (BULGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES)

The secret children of the border area. Homes for disabled children in Blagoevgrad region in the 1960s

11.00 – 11.15 – COFFEE BREAK

EMILIYA ZHUNICH, (BULGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES)

Tosco Iliev – ardent singer and lawyer of art

VERONIKA STOILOVA, (SOUTH-WEST UNIVERSITY “NEOFIT RILSKI”)

Secret diplomacy in the contemporary International relations

11.45-12.15 – DISCUSSION

12.15-13.15 – – SCREENING OF MALINA PETROVA'S FILM "STATE SECRETS"

13.00-14.00 – ОБЯД

14.00 – 17.00 – 4 SESSION

Chairpersons: Marinela Mladenova

ZEYNEP ZAHER (ANKARA UNIVERSITY, TURKEY)

The unknown labour camp in Slivnitsa (August-September 1989)

GUNEL TAGHIZADE, BAKU STATE UNIVERSITY

The issue of the deportation of Meskhetian Turks from the Georgian SSR to Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan in 1944

SADIK HACI (ANKARA UNIVERSITY, TURKEY)

Attacks on the Turkish language and folklore (repression and assimilation)

MELIHA BRESTOVCI, FAK SAHITI, UNIVERSITY OF PRISHTINA (KOSOVO),

Albanians in the perspective of British travel writers and diplomats

MUHMED ÇITAKU, UNIVERSITY OF PRISHTINA "HASAN PRISHTINA"

The Albanian community of Kosovo under the influence of ideological literature - The case of literature of socialist realism in Kosovo

ANTONY HOYTE-WEST, ADAM MICKIEWICZ UNIVERSITY IN POZNAŃ, POLAND

Secrecy and the Slavic languages: A historical and contemporary overview

BEGZAD BALIU, MYRVETE DRESHAJ-BALIU, UNIVERSITY OF PRISHTINA "HASAN PRISHTINA"

Woman as a character and author in the Albanian literature
(Inter-influences of European literature)

SVITLANA KRYVORUCHKO, SKOVORODA KHARKOV NATIONAL PEDAGOGICAL UNIVERSITY

Lost future. Mykola Khvylovyi "Tram Letter"

MARIA DOBRIKOVA, COMENIUS UNIVERSITY IN BRATISLAVA

The Secret of Faith or The Language in the Shackles of Politics

16.30-17.00 – DISCUSSION

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