

REMEMBRANCE, RELIGION AND SECULARITY

IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE AND BEYOND

Conference Program

WARSAW

JUNE 13-15, 2024



Day 1: 13 June 2024 (Thursday)

9.30 - 10.00 || Registration

10.00- 10.30 || Opening Speeches

- **Zuzanna Bogumił**, Convenor of the Conference (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, University of Warsaw)
- **Marta Bucholc**, Convenor of the Conference (Centre of Figurational Research of the University of Warsaw)
- **Iwona Kaliszewska**, Deputy Director of the Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, University of Warsaw
- **Joanna Wawrzyniak**, Head of the Centre for Research on Social Memory University of Warsaw / President Elect of the Memory Studies Association
- **Catherine Wanner**, Head of Lived Religion Working Group (Penn State University), *online*
- **Martin Schulze Wessel**, Co-Director of the KFG “Universalism and Particularism in European Contemporary History” (LMU Munich), *online*

10.30 - 12.30 || Plenary Session: *Memory, Religion and Post-secularism in Central and Eastern Europe*

Moderator: Stanisław Obirek (The American Studies Center, University of Warsaw)

- **Małgorzata Głowacka-Grajper** (Faculty of Sociology, University of Warsaw)
- **Barbora Spalová** (Charles University)
- **András Máté Toth** (University of Szeged)
- **Liliya Berezhnaya** (Austrian Academy of Sciences)
- **Juraj Majo** (The Institute of Ethnology and Social Anthropology, Slovak Academy of Sciences)

12.30 - 13.30 || Lunch

13.30 - 15.30 || **Panel Session 1: RUPTURES**

Moderator: Alicja Curanović (Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw)

Panellists:

- **Igor Mikeshin** (University of Helsinki), *"Our grandparents thought it was the end of the world": Soviet memories of Russian Bible-believers*
- **Karol Leszczyński** (Independent scholar), *Temples and religious traditions as carriers of memory in the Polish diaspora.*
- **Andriy Fert** (Zentrum für Osteuropa- und Internationale Studien (ZOiS)), *(Not) Russian Saints: Church Commemorations and Decolonization in Ukraine*
- **Torsten Janson** (Lund University), *Performing the Sacred/Secular Nation: The Centenary of Izmir as a Site of Memory-Contest in Turkish Nationalism*

15:30 - 16.00 || Coffee Break

16.00 - 17.30 || **Panel Session 2: GENDER**

Moderator: Anna Dobrowolska (Faculty of Sociology , University of Warsaw)

Panellists:

- **Barbora Spalová, Alexandra Lebriez, Markéta Plešková** (Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University), *The memory of the persecution of religious orders in a non-religious Czech society*
- **Alla Marchenko** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), *The Memoirs of Women from Hasidic Families: Ethnographic Insights from the Past for Contemporary Practices*
- **Agáta Šústová Drelová** (Institute of History, Slovak Academy of Sciences), *Post-secular and post-colonial: Catholic Memory and Sexuality in Slovakia after 1989*

19.00 || Dinner

Day 2: 14 June 2024 (Friday)

10.00 - 12.00 || *Postsecular memory walk* by **Zuzanna Bogumił** (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, University of Warsaw)

12.00 - 12.30 || Coffee Break

12.30 - 14.30 || Panel Session 3: MATERIALITY

Moderator: **Marta Kołodziejska** (Faculty of Sociology, University of Warsaw)

Panellists:

- **Barbara Törnquist-Plewa** (Lund University), *Cultural heritage and religion as tools for the contestation of nationalist imagination. The case of the “District of Four Temples” in the Polish city of Wrocław*
- **Agnieszka Halemba** (Institute of Archaeology and Ethnology, Polish Academy of Sciences), *Toolbox for the future or link to the past? Religion and memory in a post-secular context*
- **Alejandro Perez-Reyes** (Kennan Institute), *Protect us from Oblivion: Assessing the Use of Religious Imagery in Poland’s Commemorative Monuments*
- **Piotr Cichocki** (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, University of Warsaw), **Natalia Zawiejska** (Institute of Religious Studies, Jagiellonian University), *Religion and Representations of Otherness: Africana Collections in Polish Missionary Museums*

14.30 - 15.30 || Lunch

15.30 - 17.30 || Panel Session 4: LEGACIES

Moderator: **Kamila Baraniecka-Olszewska** (Institute of Archaeology and Ethnology, Polish Academy of Sciences)

Panellists:

- **Ewelina Drzewiecka** (Cyrillo-Methodian Research Centre, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences), *Is the modern cult of ss. Cyril and Methodius secular? The religious memory and the case of socialist Bulgaria*

- **Karina Jarzyńska** (Jagiellonian University), *Towards a post-secular literary canon. The “Bibliotheca Mundi” Series and Cultural Policy in Postwar Poland*
- **Alexandra Kolesnik** (together with Nadezhda Beliakova) (Bielefeld University), *“Memorylands” of difficult, contested and dissonant memory in “monastery spaces” in post-secular turn in Russia*
- **Michaela Lenčářová** (Institute for Contemporary History, Czech Academy of Sciences), *Intersection of Human Rights Language with the Legacy of the Wartime Slovak State: Human Rights in the Ľudák Diaspora Thinking*

19:00 || Dinner

Day 3: 15 June 2024 (Saturday)

10.00 – 12.00 || **Panel Session 5: NATIONAL SENSORIUM**

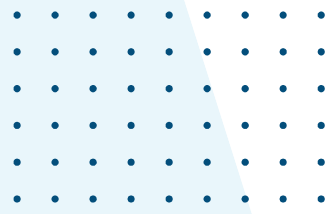
Moderator: **Iwona Kaliszewska** (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, University of Warsaw)

Panellists:

- **István Povedák** (Moholy-Nagy University of Art and Design), *The invention of post-secular sacred tradition*
- **Magdalena Waligórska** (Humboldt University), *Religious Symbols in Secular Battles: The Symbol of the Cross in Poland's Political Imagination*
- **Mariusz Filip** (Adam Mickiewicz University), *Forget history. Censoring identities within Polish Rodzimowierstwo*
- **Sachidananda Mohanty** (Independent Scholar), *Beyond Amnesia: Towards New Post-Secular Imaginations*

12.00 - 12.30 || Coffee Break

12.30 – 13.30 || Final Discussion



ORGANIZERS



CENTRE OF FIGURATIONAL RESEARCH

PARTNERS



THE WORKING GROUP ON LIVED RELIGION IN EASTERN EUROPE AND EURASIA



CHARLES UNIVERSITY

