

**Stream I: The Baltic Region in 1918-1921: Aftermath of World War I**

**BR 1: US Policy, Immigrant Diplomacy and the Baltic States, 1918-1919**

Chair: Bradley Woodworth

Charles Perrin: The Activities of Jonas Šliūpas at the Dawn of Lithuania's Independence

Olavi Arens: The Bizarre Council of Foreign Minister Meeting of 9 May 1919

Jekabs Eriksons: The Mission of Warwick Greene in Baltic States in 1919: the Problems and Consequences

Discussant: Bradley Woodworth

**BR 2: Violence and State-Building**

Chair: Mart Kuldkepp

Tomas Balkelis: The Logic of Violence in the Polish-Lithuanian Conflict, 1919-1923

Tim Buchen: Turning Soldiers into Farmers. Settler projects and military imaginations of agriculture in North-Eastern Europe 1917-1920'

Thomas Rettig: Governing Warlordism. Bermond-Avalov's Central Council for West Russia in Courland 1919

Klaus Richter: Violence, Territorial Uncertainty and the Erosion of Norms of Property Ownership in Poland and the Baltics, 1915-1923

**BR 3: International and Internal Politics**

Chair: Tomas Balkelis

Mart Kuldkepp: The Infiltration of American Estonian Communists back into Estonia in 1918-1923

Piotr Szlauzys: The Independence of Lithuania in Woodrow Wilson's Policy

Vasilijus Safronovas: Representation of the "National Experience" of the First World War in Interwar Lithuania

Luboš Švec: Recognition with Hesitation: Czechoslovak Foreign Policy 1920-1921. Between Russian Visions and Baltic Reality

**Stream 2: Baltic National Song and Dance Traditions 150**

**BS 1: Informal Singing and Song Traditions**

Chair: Rūta Muktupāvela

Amal Pushkaran:

Non-violent Political Movement and National Liberation: The Role of Gandhism in the Sąjūdis-Movement in Lithuania

Austė Nakienė:

Partisan Songs and Historical Narrative of Independent Lithuania

Valdis Muktupāvels:

The Changing Role of Sadziedāšanās: From Spontaneous Social Singing to Formalized "Afterparty" in the Framework of Latvian Song and Dance Celebration

Discussant: Heather MacLaughlin Garbes

**BS 2: Rethinking Song Celebration Heritage**

Chair: Valdis Muktupāvels

Ilze Šarkovska-Liepiņa:

The Latvian Song Festival Tradition and Modernity: Is There a Contradiction?

Rimantas Astrauskas:

Re-thinking tradition in postmodern Lithuania

Guntis Šmidchens:

Disunity in Unity: Contested Traditions in Baltic Song Celebrations, 2013-2019

Rūta Muktupāvela:

Tradition of the Baltic Song and Dance Celebration: Some Aspects of Sustainability

**BS 3: Song Celebrations, Baltic and Global**

Chair: Bradley Woodworth

Heather MacLaughlin Garbes:

On the Outside Looking In: How National Song Festivals in the Baltic States Help Promote Culture and Tradition to Non-Baltic People

Ramunė K. Kubilius:

The Rich Heritage of Music and Dance in the Diaspora: Spotlighting a Lithuanian Music and a Folk Dance Ensemble in Chicago

Danutė Petrauskaitė:

Juozas Žilevičius' Contribution to the Song Festival Organisation in Lithuania and the USA

Discussant: Guntis Šmidchens

**BS 4: Baltic Song Celebrations History Revisited**

Chair: Heather MacLaughlin Garbes

Bradley Woodworth:

Civic and Cross-National Influences in Estonia's Song Festivals

Marie-Alice L'Heureux:

Constructing Identity: Music, Art, and Architecture

Rasa Murauskaitė:

Lithuanian Song Festivals in the Interwar Period: Reflections In The Press

Katherine Pukinskis:

The Duality of Baltic Song Celebrations as Heritage: Making Sense of "Then" and "Now"

**Stream 3: Baltic (Sea) Regional Security**

**S 1: Challenges to Baltic Security**

Chair: Toms Rostoks

Olevs Nikers and Otto Tabuns:

Baltic Security Strategy Report 2019

Gerda Jakstaite:

US-Russian Interaction in the Baltic States: Challenges to Regional Security

Aleksandra Kuczyńska:

Security Perspective(s) in the Baltic States and Implication for Poland

Olevs Nikers:

Sub-regional Defence Synchronization – Theory Perspectives and Expectations for the Baltics

**S 2: Baltic Security in Past and Present**

Chair: Aleksandra Kuczyńska

Toms Rostoks:

National security and state-society relations in Latvia

Edgars Engīzers:

Threats to national security of Latvia through the prism of Latvian Political Police: 1938-1940

Dalia Bukelevičiūtė:

Ensuring security of top state officials and VIP guests after the re-establishment of the state of Lithuania in 1990–1995

Olevs Nikers and Otto Tabuns:

Baltic Interoperability Report 2019

**S 3: Security and Foreign Politics**

Chair: Olevs Nikers

Ivo Juurvee:

Baltic States as Spy-Catching Champions of NATO and EU: What Can We Learn of Russian Espionage

Gerda Jakstaite:

Baltic States In Trump's Security Policy

Martin Hirss:

Tools of Russia's Influence in Latvia

Satya Prasad:

Foreign Policy Pursuit of Baltic States: Challenges and Opportunities

## H - History and Memory

### H 1: Political Participation at the Regional Level in the Baltic States since Early Modern Times

Chair: NN

Dennis Hormuth:

A Plebian Tribune? Georg Plönnies, Leaders of the Great Guild of Riga in the 17th Century

Ron Hellfritsch:

How to Stay in Power in Germany's "New Ostland"? The Courland Knighthood's Fight for Political Survival during WWI

Vera Volkmann:

Local Minority Participation: City Council Elections in Daugavpils in the Interwar Period

Irēna Saleniece:

"To Involve Young People in the Practical Construction of a New Society": The Teaching Profession in Soviet

### H 2: Historiography, Collective Memory and Cultural Identity from the 14th – 17th Century in the Baltic

Chair: Ralph Tuchtenhagen

Ansgar Holtmann:

The Prussian Origin Myth as a Political Statement in 16th Century Gdansk. The Idea of Cultural Self-reliance

Paweł Migdalski:

How the Slavic Ancestors of the Pomeranians Became Germans. The Myth of Origin of the Inhabitants of West-Pomerania in the Late Middle Ages and the Early Modern Period

Adam Szweda:

Historiography in Late Medieval Prussia towards Poland and Poles

Grischa Vercamer:

Historians within the Teutonic Order in 14th Century Prussia with Regard to Poland as a Mirror of the 'Self'

### H 3: Home as History: Space, Memory, and Solidarity in Latvia

Chair: Amanda Jeanne Swain

Mara Lazda:

Walls Do Talk: The Lives Lived by, and in, a Riga Apartment Building

Maruta Pranka:

Tracing Trauma, Resilience, and Solidarity in the Oral Histories of Apartment Building Inhabitants

Ginta Elksne:

The Lives of a Building: Ownership and (Re)privatization of Space

Discussant: Amanda Jeanne Swain

### H 4: Shared and Contested Pasts in Action: Remembering and Representing Traumas of Deportations, Exile and Forced Repatriation from the Baltic States in 1940-50s

Chair: Olavi Arens

Dovilė Budrytė:

Analyzing the Narrative of a Partisan Messenger: Gender, Displacement, and the Anti-Soviet War of Resistance in Lithuania

Vytis Ciubrinskas:

Transnationalism and Memory across the Atlantic: Remembering and Representing Trauma of Exile through Social Remittances and 'Politics of Nostalgia'

Aija Sakova:

The Question of Agency and Trauma in Elin Toona's "Into Exile" and Christa Wolf's "Patterns of Childhood"

Vidmantas Vyšniauskas:

Narrating the 'Local' in Changing Narratives of the Challenging and Repressive Past

### H 5: Multidirectional and Multigenerational Memory of Soviet Displacement in the Baltics

Chair: Bradley Woodworth

Dovilė Budrytė:

Deportation and Gulag as Gendered Processes: Revisiting Baltic Women's Memoirs and Testimonies

Violeta Davoliute:

Multidirectional Memory and the Deportation of Lithuanian Jews

Terje Anepaio and Ene Kõresaar:

Between Public Memory and Grassroots Solidarity: Estonian Organizations of Victims of Stalinist Repressions at the Crossroads

Leena Kurvet-Käosaar:

Shared Dimensions of Deportation Experience in Baltic Women's Life Stories

**H 6: “Unreliable” Latvians at the Beginning of the Cold War**

Chair: Mart Kuldkepp

Matthew Kott:

Baltfascister: Swedish Attitudes towards Latvian Refugees at the Dawn of the Cold War

Michael Loader:

Stalin’s Governors-general in the Baltic Republics: the Orgburos and Sovietisation, 1944–1947

Paula Oppermann:

Rebranding Fascists: Pērkonkrustsleaders in Exile Creating Their Image as Anti-communists

Rosario Napolitano:

The Sovietisation of Latvian Cinema during Stalin Era (1945-1953)

**H 7: Pribaltika: Legacy and Memory**

Chair: Daina Eglitis

Diana Bleiere:

The Central Committee of the Latvian Communist Party and Youth Culture (1968-1983)

Edward Cohn:

Did Profilaktika Work? Prophylactic Chats and the KGB’s Struggle with Dissent in the Baltic Republics

Eva-Clarita Pettai:

Opening of the ‘Cheka-bags’ – Post-transitional Justice Thirty Years after Re-independence in Latvia

**H 8: Pre-modern Baltic History**

Chair: Hans-Jürgen Bömelburg

Dmitriy Weber:

Family Solidarity in Livonia. The Case of the Teutonic Order.

Patrick Monson:

Impartial Empire? Local Law, Language, and the Politics of Legal Reform in Imperial Russia’s Baltic Provinces, 1860-1917

Anja Wilhelmi:

Solidarity in the Family and Family Politics: Examples of Baltic German Families in the 19th Century

Vidmantas Vyšniauskas:

Changing Narratives in the Changing World: the Case of Soleczniki

**H 9: The Baltics in the Inter-war Period I**

Chair: Klaus Richter

Vygantas Vareikis:

Under Pressure: War, People and Propaganda in Lithuania in 1914 -1922

Sonoko Shima:

Beginning of Latvian Statehood: From the Diplomatic Activities of the First Foreign Minister Z. A. Meierovics

Leonas Nekrašas:

Lithuanian–Latvian Local Border Traffic between the World Wars: Shifting Policy and its Effects

Krišs Kapenieks:

Memel Problem in 1920s-1930s — Between Latvian View to the Problem and Baltic Solidarity

**H 10: Genocide and Resistance**

Chair: Eva-Clarita Pettai

Kristo Nurmis:

What the Germans Told. Fears of Ethnic Cleansing in the Baltic States after the Red Army Return, 1944

Janis Tomasevskis:

Baltic National Partisans in the Summer of 1941: The Latvian Example

Maija Krumina:

Material and Moral Values in the Latvian refugee narratives of World War Two

Dominik Wilczewski:

Conflicted Memories of Resistance and Genocide in Lithuania: the Adolfas Ramanauskas Case Study:

Analysis of Media Discourse

**H 11: Reconstructing Lithuania and Latvia**

Chair: Vasilijus Safronovas

Kristina Sliavaite:

Teaching About the Second World War at the Schools with Russian Language of Instruction in Lithuania: Challenges and Solutions

Rūta Eidukeviciene:

The Reconstructions of the Past in the 21st century Lithuanian Family Novels

Rudolfs Bruzis:

Ethnoarchaeology in Baltic States

Gediminas Lankauskas:

On Lingering Soviet Statuary and Biosocialist Remembrance in Lithuania

#### **H 12: The Baltics in the Inter-war Period II**

Chair: Tim Buchen

Saulius Kaubrys:

Anatomy of Ambitions: Lithuanian Poles in Parliamentary and Municipal Elections in 1918–1940

Towards a Better Future: Childhood, Otherhood and the Creation of Social Welfare System in the Interwar Lithuania

Ina Pukelytė:

Migrating Histories: Russian and Jewish Actors in the Baltics during the Interwar Period

Viesturs Karnups:

Latvian-Polish Economic Relations 1918-1940

#### **H 13: Baltic Global History**

Chair: Matthew Kott

Filip-Afloarei Daniel: Ceausescu and his Controversial Appeal in August 1989 Regarding the Rise of Solidarity in Poland

Pauli Heikkilä: Typical and Exceptional. Estonian Example within the Assembly of Captive European Nations

László Pálfi: Joe Slovo – Lithuanian Socialist Jew in South Africa

#### **H 14: Nazi Rule in the Baltic Region**

Chair: Diana Bleiere

Daina Eglitis: Silences of the Past: Women's Lives in Latvia's Nazi Ghettos

Ieva Garda-Rozenberga and Uldis Neiburgs: Extermination and Rescue of Latvian Roma during the Nazi Occupation: History and Memory

Sarune Sedereviciute: Same Pictures Different Meanings: The Case of Ghetto Photography by George Kadish

Alessandro Vitale: The Problem of Incomplete Cartographic Representation of the GULag. A Comparison between the Baltic Cartography and Other Maps of Deportations

#### **H 15: Central-European-Baltic Contacts in History through the “Amber Way”**

Chair: Karsten Brüggemann

Svetlana Marozava: King of Poland and Grand Duke of Lithuania Stefan Batory (1576-1586) in Grodno: life, activity, mystery of death

Siarhey Marozau: The Last Sejm of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth in the Historical Memory of Modern Belarusian society

Sándor Földvári: Red Wine for Liturgical Books: Book-Migration as a Special Case of the Trade Connections between GDL and Central Europe

Etelka Berzeviczy: Baron Marton Berzeviczy, the Diplomat of Prince Bathori in Livonia

### **M - Media, Language and Arts**

#### **M 1: Changing Role of Media in the Baltic Societies**

Chair: Katarzyna Kamińska-Korolczuk

Anda Rožukalne:

Concentration and Structural Pluralism Trends in Media Environment of Latvia (2015-2018)

Ainars Dimants:

New Regulations for Latvian Public Service Media - One Step Forward and Two Steps Back?

Andres Jõesaar:

In Media we Trust. Or Do We. Estonian and Russian Speaking Audiences' Opinion on Media Credibility and on the Value of Public Service Broadcasting in 2010-2019

Andres Kõuts-Klemm:

Media System and Media Use in Estonia: Diverging Supply and Demand

## **M 2: Language Studies I**

Chair: Pēteris Vanags

Ineta Dabašinskienė: Tensions between Language Policies and Practices: Case study of Visaginas (Lithuania)

Nicole Nau: Bringing Latgalian into School: Visions, Needs, and Obstacles

Katarzyna Szwed: The Impact of the Estonian Linguistic Policy on the State Formation and its Functioning

Eleonore Kruse: Assessing Migrant Language Maintenance: A Case Study on Latvian in Canada

## **M 3: Language Studies II**

Chair: Nicole Nau

Claudio Barna:

The Lithuanian Particle "gi"

Linda Lauze:

The System of Latvian Address: Sociolinguistic Aspect

Pēteris Vanags:

Latvian sapulcējušamies – the Non-standard Form of Past Passive Participle – Its Origin and History

Dens Dimiņš, Dace Strelēvica-Ošiņa:

No Means Yes? Grammatical Polarity in Modern Latvian: Usage and Users' Attitudes

## **M 4: Disinformation and Media Bashing**

Chair: Alexander Drost

Monika Hanley:

Combating Russian Disinformation in Baltic Social Media

Anastasija Tetarenko:

How to Discredit Media and Win the Elections: The Case of the Parliament Elections in Latvia (2018)

Raivis Vilūns:

Hard News and Tabloid Stories Side by Side in Leading Latvian News Media

Klīnta Ločmele:

Disinformation Types in Correlation with Society's Media Literacy in Latvia

## **M 5: Museum Studies**

Chair: Jörg Hackmann

Linara Dovydaitytė:

Narrating History of Labour and Industry in Post-Soviet Museums

Kirsti Jõesalu, Ene Kõresaar:

Collaboration and Adaptation: Soviet Period at the Display of Museums of Occupations and Freedom, Vabamu

Sarune Sedereviciute:

Same Pictures Different Meanings: The Case of Ghetto Photography by George Kadish

Aya Kimura:

Exploring an Introduction Process of Digitization at Museums- Case in Lithuania, LIMIS

## **M 6: Media and Memory**

Chair: Ene Kõresaar

Liis Jõhvik:

Reel Life: Memory and Gender in Soviet Home Movies and Amateur films

Andrius Marcinkievičius:

How Historical Justice Discourse is Constructed by Contemporary Lithuanian Media: The Case of Green Bridge Statues Removal in Vilnius

Lina Šumskaitė, Gražina Rapolienė:

The Changed Representation of Childlessness in Lithuanian Media

Zenta Liepa, Dite Liepa:

Representation of Lithuanian and Latvian Identity in Mass Media

### **M 7: Communication and Language**

Chair: Katarzyna Szwed

Katarzyna Kamińska-Korolczuk:

Specifics of the Communication via Social Media in the Most Important Estonian Dailies. A Comparative Perspective

Anda Rožukalne:

Semi-free and Autonomous Journalists: Complex Strategies of Coping with Self-censorship in Latvia

Ginta Remeikis:

The Baltic Diaspora and its Relationship to Language

Gunta Ločmele, Helēna Gizeleza:

Usage and Significance of Stylistic and Lexical Resources in Advertising Texts

### **M 8: Theatre and Arts**

Chair: Klinta Ločmele

Ruta Mazeikiene:

Adaptation of Popular Theatre Forms in Post-Soviet Lithuanian Theatre

Jurgita Staniškytė:

Power to the People? Community Building and Participation in Post-Soviet Lithuanian Theatre

Andrejs Veisbergs:

The Translation Scene in Latvia (Latvian SSR) during the Stalinist Years

Tomas Pabedinskas:

Personal Photo Diary as The Reactualization of Historical Past

### **M 9: Baltic Cultural Studies**

Chair: Tomas Pabedinskas

Ieva Pigozne:

New Discoveries on Chronological Development of Latvian Women's Clothing in Eastern Latvia in the 19th Century

Milda Richardson:

Lithuanian Pilgrimage Repressed and Restored

Egor Shmonin:

Late-Soviet Baltic Post-Poetic Documentaries: Mapping the Collapse, Reviving Spatial memory

Shankar Simant:

Traversing the Relationship between India and Baltics

### **M 10: Kant Digital**

Chair: NN

Cheryce von Xylander: Kant's Digital Metaphysics

Peter Weibel

Simon Schaffer

### **P - Politics and Society**

**P 1: Baltic Independence Struggle in an International Context**

Chair: Andres Kasekamp

Una Bergmane: 'Have You not Noticed Our Absence?' The International Echos of the Baltic Way

Kaarel Piirimäe: 'Estonia Has No Time'. Existential Politics at the End of Empire

Pundziūte-Galois: The Diplomatic Strategy of Distrust: How the Baltic States "Lost" Yeltsin's Russia.

Kristine Bekere: Celebration of Independence Day in Exile: the National-political Aspect of a Tradition

Discussant: Ainius Lašas

**P 2: Human Rights, Cyber-Space and the Rights of Vulnerable Groups – Views from Estonia and Poland**

Chair: Kazimierz Musiał

Michał Balcerzak:

Hate Speech in Polish Public Debate – Challenges and Responses

Mart Susi:

Marginalization of Human Rights Core Principles in the Development of E-society

Mari-Ann Susi:

Developing Fundamental Rights of Vulnerable Groups on the Example of Protecting Animal Rights in Estonia

Shankar Mukesh:

Political Development and Democracy Building in Poland after the Solidarity Movement

**P 3: Internal Politics in the Baltic States**

Chair: Daunis Auers

Andres Kasekamp:

Comparing the Estonian Radical Right, Past and Present

Joseph Ellis:

Policy Innovation in the Baltic States: A Case Study of Estonian Elites

Monika Frėjutė-Rakauskienė:

Polish and Russian Ethnic Minority NGO's: Aims and Role in Lithuanian Civil Society

Vaida Jankauskaitė, Ainius Lašas:

Sometimes You Win and Sometimes You Lose: the Dynamics of Informal Business- Political Party Relations in Lithuania

**P 4: Comparative Political Studies**

Chair: Kaarel Piirimäe

Didzis Klavins:

Comparative Research on Foreign Ministries in the Baltic and Nordic Countries

Liucijja Balciunaite:

Explaining the Variation in the Success of the Semi-Presidential Systems of Lithuania and Ukraine

Klemens Grube:

Bank Concentration and Competition in Small Countries- Are the Banking Markets in the Baltic States in Danger?

Arvydas Grišinas:

Politics of Cynicism and the Epochal Shift

**P 5: Baltic Networks**

Chair: Mārtiņš Kaprāns

Silke Berndsen:

Networks across Borders: the Interconnection of Baltic Émigré Engagement and Resistance in the Baltics

Aiste Zemaityte:

The Phenomenon of Diasporas in the Field of International and Local Policy. The Case of Baltic States

Mārtiņš Pričins:

When Europe Seems Closer: Strategic Political Communication of Latvian Political Parties in the European Parliament Elections 2019

Mykolė Lukošienė:

Marking Territory in Transforming Neighborhood: Šančiai Parade "Chair" and the Heretopia of the "Cabbage field"

**P 6: Baltic Post-Perspectives**

Chair: Una Bergmane



Epp Annus:

Metonymic Processes of Nation-building: Vestigial Sovietness in the Context of Estonia's High-Tech Dreams

Anastasiya Astapova:

Informal Language Clubs as a Grassroots Solution to Ethnic Segregation in Estonia

Kara Brown:

Placing Readiness: How Estonian-Russian Dual Immersion Education has developed in the 21st century

Kristina Juraitė:

Regenerating Cultural Identity and Rebranding of Post-Industrial City: The Case of Visaginas, Lithuania

**P 7: Migrant Perspectives**

Chair: Silke Berndsen

Mārtiņš Kaprāns:

The Representation of Englishness among Latvian Labor Migrants in the UK

Ojārs Lāms:

Contemporary Latvian Migrant Narratives: Paradigm of Gender and Generation

Ilona Strumickienė:

Lithuanian Return Migration as a Form of Migrants' Solidarity with their Homeland

Dainius Genys:

Through Love and Hate: Emotional Solidarity among Lithuanian Emigrés

**P 8: Social and National Values and Identities**

Chair: Didzis Klavins

Almane Pakrijauskaite:

Alcohol Consumption: Socio-Environmental Context and Identity of Male Gender

Artūras Tereškinas, Ieva Dryžaitė:

From Working- to Middle-class Children: Parenting Values and Class Dispositions in Lithuania

Diana Kalnina:

Correlation of National Cultural Values Defined by G. Hofstede with the Activity of the Latvian Population in the Public Sphere

Lilīta Zalkalns:

The Self-image of Latvia: the Construction of Latvianness in the Creation of a Nation

**SE - Special Events**

**SE 1: Writing Baltic History - Roundtable**

Participants:

Daunis Auers, Karsten Brüggemann, Jörg Hackmann, Andres Kasekamp, Anu Mai Kõll, Vasilijus Safronovas, Ralph Tuchtenhagen

**SE 2: Book Panel: Michael North: History of the Baltic (Polish edition)**

Participants:

Alexander Drost, Jörg Hackmann, Miloš Režník

**SE 3: Book Panel: Polish Livonia**

Participants:

Hans-Jürgen Bömelburg, Bogusław Dybaś

**SE 4: Book Panel: New Directions in First World War Studies**

Participants:

Tomas Balkelis, Andrea Griffante, Klaus Richter, Vasilijus Safronovas

**SE 5: Multi-perspective Baltic History - Online Materials**

Participants:

Jörg Hackmann, Christian Pletzing, NN

**SE 6: Publishing in Academic Journals: Tips for Success**

Madeleine Markey, Routledge

**SE 7: Early Career Researchers Writing Workshop**

Organised by Madeleine Markey, Routledge, and Matthew Kott, editor of the Journal of Baltic Studies  
*By application only. See the announcement on the CBSE website*

**SE 8: What Could a Psychoanalytic Perspective Contribute to Baltic Studies?**

Ginta V. Remeikis, Paul Gedo

**SE 9: Film: Enlightening Latvia**

Documentary Film, Imants Ziedonis Museum, Latvia, 81 min

**SE 10: Film: Proudly Shy: Lithuania in Photography 1988-2018**

Documentary Film, Mindaugas Kavaliauskas, Lithuania 2018, 90 min