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The Rich Heritage of Music and Dance in the Diaspora: Spotting a Lithuanian Music and a Folk Dance Ensemble in Chicago
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Walls Do Talk: The Lives Lived by, and in, a Riga Apartment Building
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Alessandro Vitale: The Problem of Incomplete Cartographic Representation of the Gulag. A Comparison between the Baltic Cartography and Other Maps of Deportations

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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
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Linda Lauze:
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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

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Anastasija Tetarenko:
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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

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Linara Dovydaitytė:
Narrating History of Labour and Industry in Post-Soviet Museums
Kirsti Jõesalu, Ene Kõresaar:
Collaboration and Adaption: Soviet Period at the Display of Museums of Occupations and Freedom, Vabamu
Aya Kimura:
Exploring an Introduction Process of Digitization at Museums- Case in Lithuania, LIMIS

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Reel Life: Memory and Gender in Soviet Home Movies and Amateur films
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How Historical Justice Discourse is Constructed by Contemporary Lithuanian Media: The Case of Green Bridge Statues Removal in Vilnius
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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:
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Gunta Ločmele, Helēna Gizeleze:
Usage and Significance of Stylistic and Lexical Resources in Advertising Texts
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Ruta Mazeikiene:
Adaptation of Popular Theatre Forms in Post-Soviet Lithuanian Theatre
Jurgita Stanislykute:
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
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Personal Photo Diary as The Reactualization of Historical Past

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Egor Shmonin: Late-Soviet Baltic Post-Poetic Documentaries: Mapping the Collapse, Reviving Spatial memory
Shankar Simant: Traversing the Relationship between India and Baltics

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Kaarel Piirimäe: ‘Estonia Has No Time’ . Existential Politics at the End of Empire
Kristine Bekere: Celebration of Independence Day in Exile: the National-political Aspect of a Tradition
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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

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Joseph Ellis:
Policy Innovation in the Baltic States: A Case Study of Estonian Elites
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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
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Didzis Klavins: Comparative Research on Foreign Ministries in the Baltic and Nordic Countries
Liucija 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

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Silke Berndsen: Networks across Borders: the Interconnection of Baltic Émigré Engagement and Resistance in the Baltics
Aiste Zemaitytė: The Phenomenon of Diasporas in the Field of International and Local Policy. The Case of Baltic States
Mykolė Lukošienė: Marking Territory in Transforming Neighborhood: Šančiai Parade "Chair" and the Hererotopia of the "Cabbage field"

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Epp Annus: Metonymic Processes of Nation-building: Vestigal 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**
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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

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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
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SE 4: Book Panel: New Directions in First World War Studies
Participants:
Tomas Balkelis, 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
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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