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Sciences, Ideologies, and Religions in 20th Century Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe

6-7/06

Auditorium "Leonidas Zervas"
National Hellenic
Research Foundation
48 Vassileos Constantinou
Athens, Greece

Thursday, 6 June 2024

9:30-10:00

Welcome and Presentation of the Workshop

10:00-11:00

Keynote Lecture

Chair: SANDY SAKORRAFOU

KOSTAS GAVROGLU, *Sciences and Ideologies in the Making: Quantifying the Unquantifiable*

Coffee

11:30-13:30

Panel I: Re-sacralization

Chair: ALEXEI LOCHMATOW

NATALIA GRABKE, *Where Medicine Ends and Exorcism Begins. The Medicalization of Demonic Possessions in 20th Century Poland.*

KARIN REICHENBACH, *Neopagan Inspired Practices of History in Poland since the 1990s and Their Relationship to Academic Scholarship*

MARTIN BABIČKA, *Esotericism in the Postsocialist Czechoslovakia: Media, Politics, Science*

MARIA ROGIŃSKA, *How Marxism Helped to Re-enchant Science in (Post)Soviet Ukraine*

Light Lunch and Coffee

15:00-17:00

Panel II: Atheism, “Hard Science” and Religion

Chair: EVANGELIA CHORDAKI

ELENA SCHAA, *Interference Patterns. The Case of Science and Religion in Werner Heisenberg’s Popular Writings*

WILLIAM DEJONG-LAMBERT, *Is Evolution “Good?” Science, Morality, and Theodosius Dobzhansky*

KOSTAS TAMPAKIS, *Modern St. Basils: Astronomy and Anticommunism in 20th Century Greece*

SANDY SAKORRAFOU, *Technology, Atheism and Christian Humanism: Emerging Ideological Patterns within Christian Orthodox Journals and Books in the Greek 1960s*

19:30

Conference Dinner

Friday, 7 June 2024

10:00-11:00

Keynote Lecture

Chair: JAN SURMAN

AGATA IGNACIUK, *Contraceptive Technologies in Spain and Poland, 1950s-1980s*

Coffee

11:30-13:00

Panel III: Regimes of Health

Chair: FRIEDRICH CAIN

ZOLTÁN TASCHEK, *A Neo-Thomistic Social Engineering Project? Some Aspects of the Hungarian Pension Act 1928*

IRINA NASTASĂ-MATEI, *Pharmaceutical Manufacturing in Romania under Ceausescu’s Regime. Medical, Political and Ideological Use*

CORINA DOBOȘ, *Researching (under) Development: Population Dynamics and Economic Growth in Interwar Central and Eastern Europe and Postwar Global South*

Light Lunch and Coffee

14:30-16:00

Panel IV: Soviet Technoscientific Ideologies

Chair: DIETLIND HÜCHTKER

DIMITRIS KILAKOS, *Demystifying the Impact of “Russian Cosmism” in Early Soviet Science*

INNA SUKHENKO, *Envisioning ‘Nuclear Faith’ within Narrating Chernobyl Legacy: Literary Frames of ‘Faith-Nuclear Nexus’*

MIKHAIL ZIMIREV, *Socialist Data Ethics: The Dispositive of Mathematization in Soviet Science and Technology Policy in the 1960s*

Coffee

16:30

Final Discussion

Saturday, 8 June 2024

10:00-12:00

Organizers’ and Editors’ Meeting