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INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

# Shaping the 'Socialist Self'?

## The Role of Psy-Sciences in Communist States of the Eastern Bloc (1948–1989)

### VENUE

**CEFRES, Na Florenci 3/1420, Prague 1**

**Online via Zoom:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82321134974?pwd=L09iMWF0VzJsOVFUUDJxMDZPc3Zidz09>  
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### PROGRAMME

#### 9.00 CONFERENCE OPENING

##### **PANEL I. Producing Psy-expertise in the Eastern Bloc**

**CHAIR:** Martin Schulze Wessel (Collegium Carolinum)

9.30 **Ana Antic** (University of Copenhagen): Psychiatry, Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy Beyond the Hospital in Socialist Yugoslavia

9.50 **Melinda Kovai** (Eötvös Lorand University): From a Movement to the Privatization of Psychotherapy – Group Psychotherapy in Hungary in the 1970s and 1980s

10.10 **Sarah Marks** (Birkbeck, University of London): From Pavlov's Dogs to Cybernetic Tortoises: The Psy-Professions and the New Science of Cybernetics in Communist Czechoslovakia

10.30 – 11.15 Discussion

11.15 – 11.30 Break

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##### **PANEL II. Defining (Ab)normality**

**CHAIR:** Adéla Gjuričová (Institute of Contemporary History, Czech Academy of Sciences)

11.30 **Christiane Brenner** (Collegium Carolinum): Judging the Anti-Socialist Element: The Role of Psychiatric Experts in Trials Against 'Parasitic Women' in Socialist Czechoslovakia

11.50 **Kate Davison** (University of Melbourne): From Prague to Sydney: Rethinking Psychiatry, Sexology and 'Sexpertise' in the Cold War

12.10 **Jakub Střelec** (Charles University in Prague): Psychopaths as 'New Danger' to the Socialist Society. Forensic Psychiatry, Criminology and Crime in Communist Czechoslovakia in the 1960s

12.30 – 13.15 Discussion

13.15 – 14.15 Lunch Break

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##### **PANEL III. Shaping the 'Socialist Self'**

**CHAIR:** Jérôme Heurtaux (CEFRES)

14.15 **Verena Lehm Brock** (Erfurt University): Psychological Leadership Training in East Germany – A Transnational Technology of the Self?

14.35 **Frank Henschel** (Christian-Albrechts-University Kiel): Bowlby vs KPČ: Knowledge Transfer, Psychology and the System of State Childcare in Socialist Czechoslovakia

14.55 **Lisa Dittrich** (Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich): Partnership and the Socialist Personality: Marital Coping Strategies in the GDR between Empowerment and Subjection

15.15 – 16.00 Discussion

16.00 – 16.30 Closing remarks



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