

HOMOSEXUALITÉ COMMUNISTE 1945-1989

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

2-3 FEBRUARY 2017

Université Paris-Est Créteil / École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales

SYMPOSIUM'S PROGRAM

THURSDAY 2 FEBRUARY

UNIVERSITÉ PARIS-EST CRÉTEIL (SALLE DES THÈSES – BÂTIMENT P)

9:00-9:30 a.m. : Introductory remarks by **Arthur Clech** and **Mathieu Lericq**

9:30-12:00 : **PANEL I – EX-CENTERING SEXUALITIES : CHANGING FIELDS OF RESEARCH**

Panel chair : Florence Tamagne (Université Lille 3)

Discussant: Arthur Clech (EHESS)

Łukasz Szulc (University of Antwerp) :

Homosexuality in Eastern Bloc Countries in the 1980s in a Comparative Perspective

Anita Kurimay (Bryn Mawr College) :

Practicing and Imagining Homosexuality in Late Socialist Hungary

Vojin Saša Vukadinović (University of Zürich) :

A different kind of communist love. A case study on same-sex desire in the Red Army Faction and the G.D.R.

[10:30-10:45 : Coffee break]

Galina Zelenina (Russian State University for the Humanities, Moscou) :

Late Soviet Jews and homosexuals: “older” minority and “younger” minority in internal discourse

Thibault Boulvain (Université Paris 1 – Panthéon Sorbonne) :

The AIDS epidemic didn't stop at the borders of the Iron Curtain

[12:00-13:00 : Pause déjeuner]

13:00-14:00 Keynote (1)

Dan Healey (University of Oxford) :

How to Write the History of Communist Homosexuality: Historical Time, Geopolitics, and Queer Memory in the Former Soviet Union

14:15-17:00 : **PANEL II – HOMOSEXUALITIES UNDER CONTROL : LEGAL AND MEDICAL SHAPES**

Panel chair : **Éric Fassin** (Université Paris 8)

Discussant : **Roman Krakovsky** (Labex TEPISIS, EHESS)

Franko Dota (University of Zagreb) :

A «Queer» Communist Idea: The Failed Post-Revolutionary Attempt to Decriminalize Homosexuality in Socialist Yugoslavia

Jan Seidl (Society for Queer Memory, Prague) :

Did the decriminalization of homosexuality in Czechoslovakia in 1961 actually take place?

Uladzimir Valodzin (Maksim Bahdanovič Literary Museum, Minsk) :

Criminal persecution of male homosexuals in late Soviet Union (1950s-1991): discourses and figures

[15:30-15:45 : Coffee break]

Agnès Chetaille (EHESS) :

Between repression and incitement: state control and emergence of homosexual groups in Poland in the 1980s

Irina Costache (Central European University) :

Je est un autre: Homosexuality, Confession and the Politics of Abnormality in Ceausescu's Romania

[Discussions of the first day will pursue at the occasion of the screening of the documentary film *Secret Years* by Mária Takács at the Cinéma Luminor Hôtel-de-Ville at 8pm.]

FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY

ÉCOLE DES HAUTES ÉTUDES EN SCIENCES SOCIALES (AMPHI F. FURET, 105 BD RASPAIL, 75006 PARIS)

9:00-9:30 : Breakfast

9:30-10:30 Keynote (2)

Judit Takács (Hungarian Academy of Sciences) :

Disciplining Gender and Homosexuality in State Socialist Hungary

10:30-10:45 : Coffee break

10:45-13:00 : **PANEL III — BETWEEN NON-NORMATIVE AND NORMATIVE EVERYDAY LIVES**

Panel chair : **Hadley Zaun Renkin** (Central European University, Budapest)

Discussant: **Jérôme Bazin** (Université Paris-Est Créteil)

Francesca Stella (University of Glasgow) :

Rethinking communist homosexualities through everyday experiences: insights from a study on 'lesbian' lives in Soviet Russia

Maria Bühner (University of Leipzig) :

Insights in the changing (self-)understandings of lesbians in East Germany during the 1980s

Alisa Zhabenko (University of Helsinki) :

Motherhood culture of the "last Soviet generation" women with same-sex sexual desire

Wojciech Śmieja (University of Upper Silesia, Katowice) :

The captive (homosexual) minds. On being a writer and a homosexual in communist Poland

13:00-14:00 : Coffee break

14:00-16:15 : **PANEL IV — EXPOSED INTIMACIES: IN SEARCH OF A PUBLIC AND POETICAL PRESENCE**

Panel chair : **Dina Iordanova** (University of St Andrews)

Discussant : **Mathieu Lericq** (Aix-Marseille Université)

Sanja Lazarević Radak (University of Belgrade) :

Non-Aligned Yugoslavia and 'In-between' Subjects': Filming Homosexuality In The Yugoslav Black Wave (1967-1971)

Kevin Moss (Middlebury College) :

Traitors, Secrets, Spies, and Dissidents : Gay and Lesbian Characters in Two Classic Hungarian Films of the 80s

Tim Veith (University of Siegen) :

Pictures of homosexual life during communism in Poland in non-heterosexual magazines across Europe

Mateusz Chmurski (Université Paris-Sorbonne) :

Encircling the void? Body (and discourse) distortions in the Central-European gay prose

[16:15-16:30 : Pause café]

16:30-17:30 – Articulated discussion between the artist **Jaanus Samma** and the researcher **Uku Lember** (Université de Tallinn, Université d'Uppsala).

17:30-18:00 – Closing remarks by **Jérôme Bazin** and general discussion.

[Discussions of the second day will pursue at the occasion of a meeting with the artist Karol Radziszewski, who will present *Kisieland* and *Queer Archives Institute* projects at the gallery 22,48m2 at 7.30pm].