

**International and pluridisciplinary conference**

## **1989 IN THE EAST: BETWEEN ORDER AND SUBVERSION**

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**Thursday, November 7, Polish Library in Paris**

*6, quai d'Orléans, 75004 Paris*

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8:30 **Registration**

9:00-9:30 **INTRODUCTION**

Carole SIGMAN (CNRS, ISP, SFERES) and Françoise DAUCÉ (EHESS, CERCEC, SFERES)  
Georges MINK (ICCEES)  
Pierre ZALESKI (Historical and Literary Polish Society)  
Benjamin GUICHARD (BULAC)

9:30-11:10 **1989: IN THE UNCERTAINTY OF THE EVENT**

*Chair: Michel DOBRY (University of Paris I, CESSP)*

*Discussant: Silvia SERRANO (Sorbonne University, Eur'Orbem, CERCEC)*

Jérôme HEURTAUX (CEFRES): Poland, 1989. Was it the first electoral revolution?

Catherine GOUSSEFF (CNRS, CERCEC): Burying the “counter-revolution”. Imre Nagy's funerals in 1989

Piotr WCIŚLIK (Institute of Literary Research, Polish Academy of Sciences): Whose nail? Whose coffin? The eclipse of Polish dissident media activism in 1989

11:10-11:25 *Coffee break*

11:25-13:00

### **THE RECONFIGURATIONS OF THE STATE**

*Chair: Pascal BONNARD (Université Jean Monnet de Saint-Etienne, TRIANGLE)*

*Discussant: Guillaume MOURALIS (CNRS, Centre Marc Bloch)*

Sylvain DUFRAISSE (University of Nantes, Centre nantais de sociologie): Fighting “the Hydra our sport is the victim of” (Y. Vlasov): the reforms and transformations of state policy in sports (1985-91)

Anne LE HUÉROU (University of Paris Nanterre, ISP): The creation of OMON: the genesis and first challenges of a policing and law enforcement agency in the USSR

Yaroslav STARTSEV (Institute of Philosophy and Law, Russian Academy of Sciences): How politics comes through the Soviet official discourse during Perestroika (1985-91)

13:00-14:00

*Lunch break*

14:00-15:30

### **THE RECONSTRUCTIONS OF THE ECONOMIC WORLD**

*Chair: Amélie ZIMA (Université Paris 1, CERCEC, IRSEM)*

*Discussant: Bernard CHAVANCE (University of Paris Diderot, LADYSS)*

Svetlana BARSUKOVA (Higher School of Economics) and Caroline DUFY (Sciences Po Bordeaux, Centre Emile Durkheim): Legalizing the second economy during Perestroika: the example of individual plots and the private agricultural production

Isaac SCARBOROUGH MCKEAN (Liverpool John Moores University): Importing Sour Grapes: How economic liberalization spurred political liberalisation in Soviet Tajikistan

15:30-15:45

*Coffee break*

15:45-17:15

### **ROUND TABLE. HOW DIFFERENTIATED WAS THE SOCIALIST SPACE?**

*Chair: Georges Mink (CNRS, ISP)*

Graeme GILL (University of Sydney): Populism and 1989

Olivier FERRANDO (Sciences Po Paris): Understanding the ethnic mobilisations in Central Asia in 1989

Anne MADELAIN (INALCO, Centre de recherche Europe-Eurasie CREE): The emergence of the “peoples” in Yugoslavia in 1988-89: the mobilisations and the difficulties to think out the collapse of a society

Roman KRAKOVSKY (University of Genève, Global Studies Institute): The fall of communism as an outcome of the existential crisis of the 70s

17:15-18:00

### **NEWS ON RESEARCH ON 1989: PROJECTS AND SOURCES**

Olga ZDRAVOMYSLOVA (The Gorbachev Foundation): 1989: The experience of the Gorbachev democratisation and its significance for today’s Russia (research project)

Salomé KINTZ and Alexis LIGOTSKI (La contemporaine, ex-BDIC), La contemporaine’s collections on the USSR and Eastern Europe on the late 1980s and early 1990s

8:30

*Coffee*

9:00-10:40

**THE URBAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL MOBILISATIONS**

*Chair: Marie-Claude MAUREL (EHESS, CERCEC)*

*Discussant: Katja DOOSE (CERCEC, EHESS)*

Julie DESCHEPPER (European University Institute, INALCO, CREE): The patrimonial turn of the 1980s in the USSR or the erosion of the Communist project through the treatments of monuments

Laurent COUMEL (INALCO, CREE): A protest technocracy: the academic environmentalism in the USSR (1986-89)

Iwona BOJADŹIJEWA (Institute of Sociology, University of Warsaw): The environment and its discourses as a part of the neoliberal turn in the 1989 Poland

10:40-10:50

*Coffee break*

10:50-12:30

**RETHINKING THE CATEGORIES OF THE SOCIAL ISSUES (I)**

*Chair: Nadège RAGARU (CNRS, CERI)*

*Discussant: Laure de VERDALLE (CNRS, Centre Marc Bloch)*

Karine CLÉMENT (CERCEC, EHESS): Social mobilisations and the issue of social classes in Russia from 1989 on

Arlind QORI (University of Tirana): The role of the working class in the fall of bureaucratic socialism in Albania (1990-91)

Levon ABRAHAMIAN (Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, National Academy of Sciences of Armenia): The beginning of the end of Communism? The 1988 rallies in Armenia

12:30-13:30

*Lunch break*

13:30-14:50

**RETHINKING THE CATEGORIES OF THE SOCIAL ISSUES (II)**

*Chair: Anne BAZIN (Sciences Po Lille, CERAPS)*

*Discussant: Gilles FAVAREL-GARRIGUES (CNRS, CERI)*

Irina GORDEEVA (St. Philaret's Christian Orthodox Institute): "Neformaly for Peace": Soviet Peace Committee and informal youth in the period of Perestroika

Xavier HALLEZ (CETOBAC, EHESS): Green Triangle and Red Tractor: two groups of artists eager for freedom in Soviet Kazakhstan

14:50-16:10

### THE SOCIAL SCIENCES IN A TIME OF CHANGE

*Chair: Alain BLUM (EHESS, INED, CERCEC)*

*Discussant : Ioana POPA (CNRS, ISP)*

Pierre-Louis SIX (Sciences Po Lyon): Scholars or politicians? The institutionalisation of political science during Perestroika in the USSR

Valentin BEHR (Université libre de Bruxelles, CEVIPOL): From dissident subversion to state narrative: the trajectories of anti-Communist historiography in Poland before and after 1989

16:10-16:25

*Coffee break*

16:25-18:00

### THE INTERNATIONAL CIRCULATIONS

*Chair: Kathy ROUSSELET (FNSP, CERI)*

*Discussant: Laure NEUMAYER (University of Paris I, CESSP)*

Katerina KESA (INALCO, CREE): The transnational action of the Baltic movements for independence in the USSR (1988-91)

Guillaume SAUVÉ (University of Montréal): Catching up with Eastern Europe: the new temporality and old dilemmas of the Russian democratic movement (1989-90)

Afrim KRASNIQI (Institute of History, Academy of Albanian Studies): Importing models from abroad and social pressure from inside: the Albania's case

18:00

*Cocktail*

You are also welcome to the BULAC exhibition

### 1989: BACK TO HISTORY

(from Oct. 4 to Nov. 9, reading room, garden level, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

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