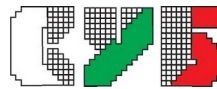




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08:30-09:00 Participant registration

09:00 Opening

Welcome Speeches

09:15-10:15 Plenary Session. Moderator: Ekaterina Dikova, PhD (Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

Assoc. Prof. Sorin Paliga, PhD (University of Bucharest)

Christmas and the Saviour

Ilaria Pagani, PhD (Vicedirettore Studi sull'Oriente Cristiano)

Right books and heretical books. The image of the heretics in Western European iconography between the 16th and 17th centuries

10:15-10:45 Discussion

10:45-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-12:15 Session 1. Moderator: Alexander Kalinov, PhD (National Academy for Theater and Film Arts)

Alexandra Fol, DMus, CTh (Église unie St James)

Fostering belonging through art: Religion as a reflection of society

Zorana Cvijanović, MA Student (Central European University)

Refrigeratam uel baptizatam: The Christian Legend of Emperor Trajan in Early Medieval Times

Assoc. Prof. Svetoslav Ribolov, PhD (Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”)

Theological Dialogue between Non-Chalcedonian and Orthodox Christians during the Ottoman Epoch

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Assoc. Prof. Zlatomira Gerdzhikova, PhD (*Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences*)

Constantinople as religious center in 4th c.

Milen Markov, PhD candidate (*Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences*)

The Arianism of the Gothic general Gayna according to the letters of St. Nilus of Sinai (Ankyra)

12:15-12:45 Discussion

12:45-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:15 Session 2. Moderator: Nikolay Zhelev, PhD Candidate (*Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences*)

Atanas Vatashki, PhD (*Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”*)

Early apologists and the reasonableness of Christianity

Zoe Tsiami, PhD Candidate (*University of Thessaly*)

The question over re-baptism in Late Antiquity: Heretical challenges to orthodox views on baptism

Assoc. Prof. Ioannis Kaminis, PhD (*Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”*)

The Heremit as the Other in the Early Christianity

Kalin Angelov, PhD Candidate (*Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”*)

The Messalians according to St. Basil the Great

Vladimir Yonchev, PhD Candidate (*Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”*)

St. Gregory of Nyssa on Eunomianism

15:15-15:45 Discussion

15:45-16:00 Coffee Break

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16:00-16:45 Session 3. Moderator: Ivan Petrov, PhD (Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

Assoc. Prof. Iulian Moga, PhD (Universitatea Alexandru Ioan Cuza)

The Impetus of the New Prophecy. Montanists, Jews and Sympathizers in Asia Minor

Dimitrina Cherneva, PhD Candidate (Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”)

Pelagianism and Augustine of Hippo

Rebecca Faber, PhD Candidate (Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”)

The Women as the Other in the Early Christian Thinkers

16:45-17:00 Discussion

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08:30-09:45 Session 4. Moderator: Todor Todorov, PhD Candidate (Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”)

Stamenka Antonova, PhD (Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

The Arian Heresy, Ethnic Designations and Religious Difference

Jovana Ivetić, PhD Candidate (University of Belgrade)

Characterization of The Other and Categories of Otherness in the Life of Constantine-Cyril

Florin Păscărița, PhD Candidate (University of Oradea, Romania)

The Otherness of Hungarian Nomads in 10th Century Western Chronicles

Bozhin Donchev, PhD Candidate (Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”)

The Perception of Warring Clergy in the Heart and Frontiers of Western Europe in the 11th century

Assoc. Prof. Desislava Naydenova, PhD (Cyrillo-Methodian Research Center at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

Between Death and Resurrection. Categories of Otherness in the Afterlife

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09:45-10:15 Discussion

10:15-10:30 Coffee Break

10:30-11:45 Session 5. Moderator: Miglena Stamberova, PhD (National Archaeological Institute with Museum at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

Aliaksandra Valodzina, PhD (New European College – Institute for Advanced Studies, Bucharest)

Not from a great man: real and fictional heresiarchs in the 11th and 12th century Catholic narratives

Kristiyan Kovachev, PhD (Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

The image of Roman popes within Orthodox frescoes: a possible explanation

Bahargül Ataş, Senior Graduate, Researcher (Sivas University)

The Religious Privileges of the Statesman: The Symbols of Good and Evil in the Mosaic and Frescoes of the Chora Monastery

Niels De Ridder, PhD candidate (KU Leuven - Universität zu Köln)

Jews and Judaism in middle Byzantine hagiography

Tatiana E. Belorussova, PhD (Institute of World History of the Russian Academy of Science)

Orthodox and Catholics in the Peloponnese after the Fourth Crusade: conflicts, compromises and peaceful ties

11:45-12:15 Discussion

12:15-13:30 Lunch

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13:30-14:45 Session 6. Moderator: Dimitar Atanasov, PhD (Institute of Ethnology and Folkloristics with Ethnographic Museum – BAS)

Timur Guselnikov, Postgraduate student (Lomonosov Moscow State University)

From “heretics and schismatics” to acknowledged Catholics: Catholic view of Greeks and Armenians in Genoese Caffa

Vytas Jankauskas, PhD (Vytautas Magnus University)

Spread of Christianity in the ruling dynasty of Lithuania in the 13th-14th centuries

Ad. Prof. Jan Wolski, PhD (University of Lodz)

Portrait of heretics by Euthymius of Tarnovo. Life of Hilarion of Moglena

Prof. Vanya Lozanova, DSc.

Constantine and Christmas: More Counter-arguments (from Byzantium's point of view)

Taisiya Leber, PhD (Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz)

Greek Polemics against the Jews and their Transottoman Trajectories

14:45-15:15 Discussion

15:15-15:30 Coffee Break

15:30-16:30 Session 7. Moderator: Milen Petrov, PhD Candidate (Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

Maja Perić, PhD Candidate (University of Zagreb)

Religions in the Eastern Adriatic and Greece as experienced by Dutch and Flemish sixteenth-century pilgrims

Ivan Yuryevich Nepryakhin, Post-Graduate Student (National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow)

Execution cannot be pardoned. How did the Orthodox polemicists of the 16th century propose to fight heretics?

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Giorgi Macharashvili, PhD (Ilia State University)

Martyrdoms of Queen Ketevan as Rhymed Historical Sources

Anca Mihaela Sapovici, Researcher („Iorgu Iordan – Al. Rosetti” Institute of Linguistics of the Romanian Academy)

”Τῶ τριστεφάνῳ καὶ δικαφάλῳ θηρίῳ προσεκολλήθησαν”: Orthodox and Catholics in the early 17 th Century

16:30-17:00 Discussion

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08:30-09:45 Session 8. Moderator: Mario Filipov, PhD (Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

Miguel Gallés, PhD Candidate (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)

The others, from a horse. New 17th century Bulgarian icon of Saint George

Vlad Bedros, PhD (Universitatea Nationala de Arte Bucuresti)

Integrating the animalic otherness: the body hair of the hermit in Byzantine visual and written traditions

Assoc. Prof. Stela Tasheva, PhD, Assoc. Prof. Sasha Lozanova, DSc. (University of Forestry, Sofia)

Motifs of “stairsteps” in New Testament scenes in art pieces of Eastern and Western Europe (7th-17th cc.)

Vera Atanasova, PhD (National Museum of History, Bulgaria)

Ottoman Donators for Orthodox Churches and Monasteries

Viktor I. Koronevskii, Master of History (St. Petersburg State University)

The Jesuit Martyr and his Orthodox Veneration: the Cult of St. Andrew Bobola in the XIX-century Polatsk

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09:45-10:15 Discussion

10:15-10:30 Coffee Break

10:30-11:45 Session 9. Moderator: *Alexandra Milanova, PhD (Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)*

Ümit Eser, Ayça Baydar, PhD (Necmettin Erbakan University, Kastamonu University)

Between Schism and Loyalty: The Borders of the Ecumenical Patriarchate and National Churches

Angel Zlatkov, PhD (Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

The Bulgarian-Greek church conflict in the Bulgarian parliament (1879 – 1913)

Prof. Mirosław Szumilo, PhD (Institute of National Remembrance, Warsaw)

Catholics and Orthodox in the Polish-Ukrainian ethnic borderland in the 20th century

Mirela Kyuchukova, PhD (South-West University “Neofit Rilski”)

Metropolit Boris of Nevrokop: example of careness and behave with “others”

Prof. Momchil Metodiev, D. Sc. (New Bulgarian University)

From National to Social Institution: Bulgarian Orthodox Church between the two world wars

11:45-12:15 Discussion

12:15-13:30 Lunch

13:30-14:45 Session 10. Moderator: *Assoc. Prof. Kalin Stoev, PhD (Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology –Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)*

Assoc. Prof. Irina Ognyanova, PhD (Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

Catholicism and Secularism in the Ustasha Ideology (1941-1945)

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Assoc. Prof. Martin Ossikovski, PhD (*New Bulgarian University*)

‘The Fatherland Front and the Church’: The Dawn of Bulgarian Communism as Witnessed by the Bulgarian Orthodox Church Newspaper, 1943-45

Nadezhda Beliakova, PhD (*Bielefeld University*)

Suffering Christians behind the Iron Curtain: Image of Eastern European Christianity in German Media during the long 1970th

Assoc. Prof. Rafał Łatka, PhD (*Institute of National Remembrance, Warsaw*)

The Polish Episcopate towards the socio-political situation in the years 1970-1980

Prof. Georgeta Nazarska, PhD (*University of Library Studies and IT, Sofia*)

Orthodox Subcultures and the Social Transformation of Bulgaria (late 1980s – mid. 1990s)

14:45-15:00 Discussion

15:00-15:10 Coffee Break

15:10-16:10 Session 11. Moderator: Samuil Shivachev, PhD (*Plovdiv University "Paisii Hilendarski"*)

Theodora Vounidi, MA student (*University of Macedonia*)

The Involvement of the Church in National Issues. Comparative Study of North Macedonia and Montenegro

Assoc. Prof. Vlasis Vlasidis, PhD, Sofia Karekla, PhD Candidate (*University of Macedonia, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki*)

Social media versus Church in Greece in the first wave of the COVID-19 pandemic: Who is the winner?

Assoc. Prof. Lachezar Antonov, PhD (*South-West University*)

Pacifism as heresy: the Russian Orthodox Church and the legitimization of the war against Ukraine

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Adriana Sarbova, PhD (*Institute of Balkan Studies & Centre of Thracology – Bulgarian Academy of Sciences*)

The Other Temple

16:10-16:30 Discussion

16:30-16:50 Poster session

Alexander Ivanov, PhD Candidate (*Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”*)

Evidence of intentional destruction of votive objects from ancient sanctuaries in Bulgaria: obliteration of the Horseman

Daniil Vasilevich Ignatiev, Bachelor (*National Research Tomsk State University*)

Maximus the Greek between the “Latin” West and the “Russian” East: the experience of reconstructing the memorial strategies and practices of a medieval scribe

Iliya Nikolov, PhD Candidate (*Institute of Ethnology and Folkloristics with Ethnographic Museum – BAS*)

Newly discovered pictorial portrait of the Bishop of Nikopol. Survey and Conservative Issues

16:50 Closing