# Thursday, 10 March 2016

## 9.00 - 9.30: Opening

Tassos ANASTASSIADIS, École française d'Athènes Hannes GRANDITS, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

## 9.30 - 11.00: Introductory panel

Chair: Polymeris VOGLIS, Panepistimio Thessalias, Volos

Masha CEROVIC Centre d'études franco-russes, Moscou

War and Genocide in Eastern Europe in the 1940s: Global Research and Local Memories

Milan RISTOVIĆ Univerzitet u Beogradu

Southeast Europe in German "New Economic Order" (1941-1945)

**Sabine RUTAR** *Institut für Ost- und Südosteuropa Forschung, Regensburg* Contextualizing Local and Regional Dimensions of the War

11.00- 11.30: Coffee break

## PART ONE - IDEOLOGY IN THE LOCAL

In WWII research the predominance of macro- or ideology-oriented research on larger processes has been increasingly challenged by approaches of in-depth studies into the dynamics in concrete local settings. Sometimes it seems that local histories and configurations trigger a much different picture about the logic of agency or, for instance, the processes that lead to violence, persecution, or massacre. But is there not, still, very much ideology involved? How is the study of local agency to be fruitfully combined with the structuring power of "ideologies"?

# Thursday, 10 March 2016

#### 11.30 - 13.00: Cluster 1A "Holocaust"

Chair: Nadège RAGARU, Centre d'études et de recherches internationales, Paris

**Leon SALTIEL** Panepisthmio Makedonias, Thessaloniki

The Greek Elites of Thessaloniki Facing the Holocaust: Resistance or Collaboration?

Marija VULESICA Zentrum für Antisemitismusforschung, TU Berlin

Biographical Approach to the History of the Holocaust in the Independent State of Croatia

Milutin ŽIVKOVIĆ Univerzitet u Beogradu

Novi Pazar under Occupation: The Case of the Urban Jews

13.00 - 14.30: Lunch break

#### 14.30 - 16.00: Cluster 1B "Mass violence"

Chair: Xavier BOUGAREL, Centre Marc Bloch, Berlin

Janis NALBADIDACIS Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Dynamics of Unrestrained Violence. The Massacre of Distomo on the 10th June 1944

**Drago ROKSANDIĆ** Sveučilište u Zagrebu

Glina 1941. Logics of Violence in Spatial and Temporal Dimensions

**Tchavdar MARINOV** *École française d'Athènes* 

Friendly Rivals, Ambiguous Allies: Bulgarian Administration and the IMRP Networks in Occupied Macedonia

16.00 - 16.30: Coffee break

## 16.30 - 18.00: Cluster 1C"Right-Wing violence"

Chair: Paolo FONZI, Seconda Universita degli Studi di Napoli

Matko GLOBAČNIK Sveučilište u Zagrebu

Croatian Right-Wing Intellectuals and the Independent State of Croatia

Kostas KATSOUDAS Panteion Panepistimio, Athens

The Politics of Right-Wing Violence in the Peloponnese 1943-1949

Sanja GLADANAC Univerzitet u Sarajevu

Serbs and Jews as an "Unwanted Element" in Sarajevo (1941)

19.30: Dinner

# Friday, 11 March 2016

#### PART TWO – RE-GROUPING AND GROUP-MAKING PROCESSES

From the beginning of the establishment of occupational or quisling regimes in Southeastern Europe new categorizations were defined (and later redefined) to privilege some, single out other populations and — in particular — to select out the discriminated or "unwanted". The implementation of such group-making policies was often very violent und usually included a multitude of, often contradictory, (local) adaptations. What can be learned by looking closer to such local constellations?

#### 9.30 - 11.00: Cluster 2A "Ethnic Minorities"

Chair: Marija VULESICA Zentrum für Antisemitismus Forschung, TU Berlin

Sonila BOCI Universiteti i Tiranës

People in Crossroads: Greek Minority along with Albanians in the Second World War

**Polymeris VOGLIS** Panepistimio Thessalias, Volos

Controling Space and People. The Territoriality of War and Population Engineering in Greece during the 1940s

**Caroline MEZGER** *European University Institut, Florence* 

Contested Youths in Disputed Borderlands: The National Socialist Mobilization of Ethnic German Youths in the Batschka and the Western Banat, 1930s-1944

### 11.00 - 11.30: Coffee break

## 11.30 - 13.00: Cluster 2B "Shifts in Religious and Ethnic Identification"

Chair: Nathalie CLAYER, Centre d'études turques, ottomanes, balkaniques et centrasiatiques, Paris

Daniela SIMON Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen

"The Task of the Century": Local Actors and Dynamics of the Policy of Forced Conversion in the Independent State of Croatia

Nadège RAGARU Centre d'études et de recherches internationales, Paris

Fighting over the Souls of the Dead: Jewish Identities in the Multisided National Struggles over Macedonia

**Thomas PORENA** Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Yugoslavs in the German Concentration Camps

13.00 - 14.30: Lunch break

# **Friday, 11 March 2016**

## PART THREE – EVERYDAY LIFE IN TIMES OF EXTREMES

In order to better understand the contexts and processes pertinent to WWII, a starting point for studying the "the everyday" is the assumption that, first of all, people tried to cope with the exceptional/violent situation by trying to uphold a kind of "normality" in their daily life. Often such attempts were, however, reduced to find strategies and means to simply survive the war. How can such a focus on the "everyday life" enhance a more appropriate interpretation of WWII in its local dimensions?

## 14.30 - 16.00: Cluster 3A "Military Life"

Chair: Sabine RUTAR, Institut für Ost- und Südosteuropaforschung, Regensburg

**Xavier BOUGAREL** Centre Marc Bloch, Berlin

"They are Well Fed, and are therefore in a Good Mood and Fighting Spirit": Joining the Waffen-SS as a Survival Strategy

**Paolo FONZI** Seconda Universita degli Studi di Napoli

Italian Mobilisation of Minorities in Northern Greece: Vlachs, Cams and Slavo-Macedonians

Franko DOTA Sveučilište u Zagrebu

Dishonourable Partisans and Abominable Workers: Male Homosexuality in World War II and its Immediate Aftermath in Yugoslavia

16.00 - 16.30: Coffee break

### 16.30 - 18.00: Cluster 3B "Civil Life"

Chair : Milan RISTOVIĆ, Univerzitet u Beogradu

**Dejan ZEC** *Univerzitet u Beogradu* 

Entertainment in an Occupied Country: Belgrade during German Occupation (1941-1944)

Nevenka TROHA Inštitut za novejšo zgodovino, Ljubljana

Classs or Nationality? Workers in Trieste and Trbovlje during World War Two

**Gruia BADESCU** *University of Cambridge* 

Rebuilding Troubling Ruins: Perpetrators, Victims and Urban Reconstruction in Belgrade 1941-1949

19.30: Concluding session

## 19.30: Dinner

# **International Conference**

# Organisateurs



















# Local Approaches to the Second World War in Southeastern Europe



Κώστας Μπαλάφας. «Το θέατρο στο βουνό με τη 'λαϊκή Σκηνή' του Γ. Κοτζιούλα», Το αντάρτικο στην Ηπειρα, Ασπρόμαυρε φωτογγραφίες 1940-1944, Ιούννινα 1991, σελ. 130. (Kostas Balafas. "G. Kotzioulas" Popular Scene' Brings Theater on the Mountains", Antartiko — Guerrilla Warfare in Epirus Black-and-white photographs 1940-1944, Ioannina 1991, p. 130.)

— Athens — 10 - 11 / 03 / 2016

#### <u>Venue:</u>