Revisiting Dealing with the Past and Transitional Justice in the Balkans

20-22 September 2018
Prishtina

Thursday, 20 September 2018

15:00-15:30 Registration and coffee
15:30-16:15 Opening remarks

Vjollca Krasniqi, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Prishtina
Bujar Dugolli, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Prishtina
Muhamet Mala, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Prishtina
Nehari Sharri, forumZFD Kosovo
Anja Becky, German Embassy, Kosovo
Kuno Schlaefli, Swiss Embassy, Kosovo
Gudrun Steinacker, Southeast Europe Association

16:15:17:30 Where we are (not): social conditions for peace and reconciliation
Eric Gordy
School of Slavonic and East European Studies, University College London

Friday, 21 September 2018

9:30-10:00 Registration

10:00 -11:30 Panel 1 Theories and Praxis of Dealing with the Past and Transitional Justice

Transitional justice: the unintended consequences of a hegemonic concept
Klaus Bachmann
Robert Bosch Academy

The collapse of transitional justice in Serbia
Bojan Perović
Faculty of Law, University of Hamburg

Human losses during the war in Kosovo and fulfillment of victims’ rights through transitional justice mechanisms
Bekim Blakaj
Humanitarian Law Center Kosovo

Museum of the past for the future: youth perspectives on dealing with difficult past and related contemporary social issues
Maša Avramović
C31- Centre for Creating a Culture of Children's Rights
Moderator
Orli Fridman
Faculty of Media and Communications, Singidunum University and
The School for International Training

11:30-11:45 Coffee break

11:45-13:00 Addressing war legacy in a divided region: transitional justice evaluations and interactions
Denisa Kostovicova
London School of Economics and Political Science

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-16:00 Panel 2 ‘Troubled Past’ and Practices of Reconciliation

The art of reconciliation
Henry Redwood and Rachel Kerr
Faculty of Social Science and Public Policy, King’s College, London

Partners in peace: how dating aids post-conflict reconciliation
Ivor Sokolić
School of Public Policy, London School of Economics and Political Science

‘Carriers of creators’ of the past: narratives of communism among young people in Albania rationale
Irena Myzeqari
Faculty of Social Sciences and Education, European University of Tirana

The Arts of Reconciliation
Kemal Pervanić
Bridge of Peace

Moderator
Erëmirë Krasniqi
Oral History Kosovo

16:00-16:30 Coffee break

16:30-18:30 Panel 3 Approaches to Dealing with the Past

Rethinking dealing with the violent past: war, memory and identity
Bekim Baliqi
Faculty of Philosophy, University of Prishtina

Transitional justice: the role of religion on creation of the ‘culture of no regret’
Gorana Ognjenović
Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo
Doing memory politics in the contemporary Republic of Macedonia: two memory cultures
Naum Trajanovski
Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw

Dealing with the past as a tool for conflict transformation and prevention of recurrence
Sabrina Büchler
Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland

Why and how truth and reconciliation commission should be established?
Nora Ahmetaj
founder of Centre for Research, Documentation and Publication, Kosovo

Moderator
Judith Brand
forumZFD Bosnia and Herzegovina

Saturday, 22 September 2018

9:30-10:00  Registration and coffee

10:00-12:00  Panel 4 The Politics of Memory and Commemoration

The art of remembering the past: reimagining the stories and images of the places of pain and (be)longing
Hariz Halilovich and Adis Elias Fejzić
Social and Global Studies Centre, RMIT University

Creating memories in times of war: the Bosnian genocide in the drawings of Mevludin Ekmečić
Claudia Zini
The Courtauld Institute of Art, London

Monumental change: preventive peace education through a reassessment of the memorial monuments of the former Yugoslavia
Struan Kennedy
Glasgow School of Art

Youth Education on the communist past as part of the politics of memory
Jonila Godole
Institute for Democracy, Media and Culture, Tirana

The Politics of Memory and Commemoration in the Western Balkans
Stefan Filipović
Center for Peace and Tolerance

Moderator
Besa Luzha
University of Prishtina and Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Kosovo
12:00-13:00   Lunch

13:00- 15:00   Panel 5 Restorative Justice and Truth-Seeking Initiatives

Symbolic Reparations and the ex-Yugoslav memoryscape
Vjeran Pavlaković
Faculty of Philosophy, University of Rijeka

The agony of Ahmići: pursuing historical truth and true justice in a Bosnian village
Paul Miller
Department of History, McDaniel College Budapest

Serbia: how did (if it did) the general public learn from institutions about war crimes from the recent wartime past and about related war crimes trials in 2016
Andjelka Marković
Faculty of Law, University of Belgrade

Enduring discourses of nationalist tensions in a post-conflict region: a linguistic landscape study of ethnic belonging in Croatian borderlands
Roswitha Kersten-Pejanić
Institute for Slavonic Studies, Humboldt University

Gender based violence in the context of war and conflict
Jasna Jozelić
Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo

Moderator
Mark Baskin
Rochester Institute of Technology, Kosovo

15:00 -15:15 Coffee break

15:15 -16:00 Conference conclusions and closing: Vjolca Krasniqi, Eric Gordy, Nehari Sharri