



16–18 NOVEMBER 2017  
CONFERENCE PROGRAM

**Gender, Generations,  
Communism in Central  
and South-Eastern Europe:  
Concepts, Discourses,  
and Practices**

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# Thursday

## 16 November 2017

**10:00–10:30 am**

**REGISTRATION**

**10:30–11:00 am**

**OPENING & WELCOME**

**Mikołaj Sokołowski**

(Head of the Institute of Literary Research, PAS)

**Anna Plater-Zyberk**

(Head of the International Cooperation Department, PAS)

**Wojciech Kalaga**

(Deputy Head of the Committee on Literary Studies, PAS)

**11:00–12:00 am**

**INTRODUCTION**

**Anna Artwińska**

(University of Leipzig)

**Agnieszka Mroziak**

(Institute of Literary Research, PAS)

*Gender, Generation and Communism: Theoretical Approaches*

**12:00–12:30 pm**

**COFFEE BREAK**

**12:30–2:00 pm**

**PANEL I: GENERATION AS AN ANALYTICAL CATEGORY**

Chair: **Francisca de Haan**

(Central European University, Budapest)

**Dorothee Wierling**

(University of Hamburg)

*Can There Be Generations under Communism? The Case of the 1929ers and 1949ers in the German Democratic Republic*

**Chiara Bonfiglioli**

(University of Pula)

*Waves of Women's Activism in Socialist Yugoslavia:  
Gender, Generation and Class as Analytical Tools*

## **Piotr Oseka**

(Institute of Political Studies, PAS)

*Me or We? The Generation Concept and the Memory of 1968 in the Life Stories of Polish Activists*

**2:00–3:30 pm**

## **LUNCH**

**3:30–5:00 pm**

## **PANEL II: LIFE WRITING, WOMEN'S IDENTITIES AND (ANTI-)COMMUNISM**

Chair: **Małgorzata Fidelis**

(University of Illinois at Chicago)

### **Anja Tippner**

(University of Hamburg)

*Refused Identities: Jiřina Šiklová's Life between Communism, Gender Theory and Dissidence*

### **Zsófia Lóránd**

(Georg-August University of Goettingen)

*Women's Generational Experience in Yugoslavia and Hungary from Feminist, Communist and Dissident Perspectives*

**6:00–8:00 pm**

## **KEYNOTE SPEECH**

### **Sigrid Weigel**

(Center for Literary and Cultural Research, Berlin)

*Figures of Trans-Generational Heritage by Heine, Benjamin, and Freud: Theory of History and the Biblical Origins of the Idea of Heritage*

Moderation: **Christoph Bartmann**

(Goethe-Institut Warsaw)

**8:00 pm**

## **DINNER**

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# Friday

## 17 November 2017

9:30–11:30 am

### PANEL III: YOUTH AND MODERNITY

Chair: **Barbara Klich-Kluczevska**

(Jagiellonian University, Cracow)

**Małgorzata Fidelis**

(University of Illinois at Chicago)

*Modern Girls in the Village: Gender and Generation  
in the Polish Countryside during the Global Sixties*

**Libora Oates-Indruchová**

(University of Graz)

*Growing Up as a Girl in Normalization Czechoslovakia:  
A Nightmare or Utopia for Postsocialist Youth?*

**Tomasz Żukowski**

(Institute of Literary Research, PAS)

*The 1970s in the People's Republic of Poland:  
A Generational Notion of Modernization*

**Andrea Bělehradová**

(Masaryk University, Brno)

*Marriage and Intimacy in Old Age in Czechoslovakia  
during State Socialism and Beyond*

11:30–12:00 am

### COFFEE BREAK

12:00–1:30 pm

### PANEL IV: BETWEEN GENDER, JEWISHNESS AND COMMUNISM

Chair: **Anja Tippner**

(University of Hamburg)

**Anna Muller**

(University of Michigan-Dearborn)

*Comradeship and the Search for "Home": Tonia Lechtman  
and Her Plight Between Poland, Palestine and Revolutionary  
Spain, 1919–1938*

## **Anna Zawadzka**

(Institute of Slavic Studies, PAS)

*Narratives of Jewish Communists' Children:  
Polish-American Comparative Analysis*

## **Karolina Krasuska**

(University of Warsaw)

*Gendering Generationality in Post-Soviet Jewish  
American Writers*

**1:30–3:00 pm**

**LUNCH**

**3:00–4:30 pm**

## **PANEL V: WOMEN IN POSTWAR EUROPE**

Chair: **Chiara Bonfiglioli**

(University of Pula)

## **Natalia Jarska**

(Tadeusz Manteuffel Institute of History, PAS)

*Old Women and (Old) Revolution: The Role of Gender  
and Generation in Postwar Polish Women Communists'  
Political Biographies*

## **Krassimira Daskalova**

(Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski)

*A Woman Politician from the Cold War Balkans*

## **Eloisa Betti**

(University of Bologna)

*Italian Communist Women and the Struggle for  
a Women's Rights Agenda in the Cold War (1945–68)*

**4:30–5:00 pm**

**COFFEE BREAK**

**5:30–8:30 pm**

**MOVIE SCREENING**

**“Solidarność według kobiet”**

**/ “Solidarity according to Women”**

(2014) dir. Marta Dzido and Piotr Śliwowski

Discussion: **Alina Cała, Kinga Dunin,**

**Marta Dzido, Agnieszka Grzybek** (moderation),

**Piotr Śliwowski**

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# Saturday

## 18 November 2017

9:00–12:00 am

WARSAW SIGHTSEEING WITH NATALIA SARATA

12:00–12:30 pm

COFFEE BREAK

12:30–2:00 pm

PANEL VI: SEX, GENERATION  
AND KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION

Chair: **Karolina Krasuska**

(University of Warsaw)

**Barbara Klich-Kluczevska**

(Jagiellonian University, Cracow)

**Katarzyna Stańczak-Wiślicz**

(Institute of Literary Research, PAS)

*Biographical Experience and Knowledge Production:  
Women Sociologists and Gender Issue in Postwar Poland*

**Kateřina Liřková**

(Masaryk University, Brno)

*Divorcing during Communism in Czechoslovakia: Expert  
Discourses on Gender and Sexuality and Their Uses in Front  
of Divorce Courts from the 1950s until the 1980s*

**Magdalena Grabowska**

(Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, PAS)

*From PWP (Polish Workers' Party) "True Believers" to  
"Practical Activists": Communist Genealogies of the  
Contemporary Women's Movements in Poland*

2:00–3:30 pm

LUNCH

**3:30–5:00 pm**

## **PANEL VII: POLITICAL ACTIVISM AND CULTURAL MEMORY**

**Chair: Krassimira Daskalova**

(Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski)

**Aránzazu Calderón Puerta**

(University of Warsaw)

*Intergenerational Transmission within or without the  
Literary Text: The Memory of the Anti-Francoist Resistance  
Communist Movement in Women's Novels by Dulce Chacón  
and Almudena Grandes*

**Raluca Popa**

(Central European University, Budapest)

*Transforming Gender through State Socialist Cultural  
Production in Romania, 1944–1960: Women's Communist  
Activism in the Memoirs of Two Female Writers*

**5:00 pm**

## **CONCLUDING REMARKS**

**Francisca de Haan**

(Central European University, Budapest)

**Magdalena Grabowska**

(Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, PAS)

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Warsaw, Chmielna 13a (Keynote Speech)

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Warsaw, Karowa 20 (Movie Screening)



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