

# GUILT AND PUNISHMENT

Societies Towards Settlement of the Crimes Committed  
by Totalitarian Regimes  
in the Years 1939–1956

**2 October 2014**

9.00–9.10 – Opening of the conference

## **SOCIETIES AND NAZI CRIMES**

9.10–10.50 – **German Context, Part I**

Chair: Dr Tomasz Łabuszewski

- Kirsten Goetze (Germany) – Dictatorship's Long Shadow: German Society and German Justice 1933–1945
- Dr Jane Lenžina (Bundesstiftung zur Aufarbeitung der SED-Dictatur, Germany) – Settlement with the Nazi Past in West Germany: Reflections on the Sources of Continuity and Change in Postwar Collective Memory
- Dr Paweł Kosiński (Institute of National Remembrance, Poland) – Reception of the Nuremberg Trials in the German Society
- Daria Czarnicka (National Archives in Katowice, Poland) – Trials in Dachau: Victorious Justice or Justice of the Winners?
- Discussion

10.50–11.10 – Coffee break

11.10–12.05 – **German Context, Part II**

Chair: Dr Kazimierz Krajewski

- Joanna Lubecka (Institute of National Remembrance, Poland) – How to Understand the Nazis: Rationalisation and Understanding Issues in the Postwar Trials and Psychological Research
- Helena Anna Jędrzejczak (Warsaw University, Poland) – Dietrich Bonhoeffer – Forgotten (?) Thoughts on Guilt and Punishment in the Context of Fight with Nazi Regime
- Discussion

## 12.05–13.00 – **Polish Context**

Chair: Dr Kazimierz Krajewski

- Łukasz Jasiński (Museum of the Second War World, Poland) – Selected Aspects of the Activity of the Commission for the Examination of German Crimes in Poland
- Dr Dariusz Burczyk (Institute of National Remembrance, Poland) – The Activity of Special Penal Court in Gdańsk (1945–1946) as an Attempt to Settle the Nazi Crimes Committed in Pomerania, Mazuria and Warmia Regions

## 13.00–14.00 – Lunch break

## 14.00–15.40 – **Central and Eastern Europe: The Balkans**

Chair: Dr Patryk Pleskot

- Olga Tsadko (European Humanities University, Lithuania) – Transformation Processes in Collective Memory of “Hornung” Punitive Action Victims in 1943
- Dr Ruslana Martseniuk (Ukraine) – Heroes or Traitors: The Problem of (Non-) Recognition of Waffen SS Soldiers in Ukraine and Latvia
- Agata Biernat (Nicolaus Copernicus University, Poland) – Responsibility of the Ustaša Crimes during the World War II
- Prof. Piotr Żurek (University of Bielsko-Biała, Poland) – Liberation Front and “Anti-Communist collaboration”: Contemporary Slovenia towards its own Second World War History
- Discussion

## 15.40–16.00 – Coffee break

## 16.00–17.40 – **International Context**

Chair: Dr Patryk Pleskot

- Georgia Kipourpoulou (University of Western Macedonia, Greece) – The German Occupation in Greece: Economic, Political and Social Consequences
- Prof. Wichert ten Have (Holland) – Post-Second World War Views on War-Time Paradoxes in the Netherlands
- Prof. Jacek Tebinka (University of Gdańsk, Poland) – The British and the Americans towards German Crimes Committed during the Warsaw Uprising: Heinz Reinefarth’s Case
- Dr Krystyna T. Zamorska (USA) – The Second World War and the Cold War: Post-War Americanization of German Crimes in Poland
- Discussion

## 17.40–18.00 – Coffee break

## **SOCIETIES AND SOVIET CRIMES**

### **18.00–19.30 – Russian Context**

Chair: Dr Patryk Pleskot

- Prof. David Rich (Catholic University of America, USA) – My Terror-State, Your Terror-State: Soviet Justice for Soviet Collaborators 1944–1956
- Prof. Karol Karski (Warsaw University, Poland) – International Criminal Law as the Basis of Penalisation of Soviet Criminals: Wasyl Kononov’s Case behind Latvian Courts and Strasbourg Tribunal
- Prof. Oxana Petrowskaja (Russian Institute of Strategic Research, Russia) – Stalin’s National Policy during the Second World War in the Contemporary Russian and Belarusian History Course Books
- Discussion

### **3 October 2014**

### **9.00–10.30 – Polish Context**

Chair: Dr Robert Spalek

- Barbara Padlo (Office for War Veterans and Victims of Oppression/Warsaw University, Poland) – Responsibility of Stalinist Judges for the Crimes Committed in the Past
- Prof. Joanna Wojdon (Wrocław University, Poland) / Dr Marcin Dyś (Wrocław University, Poland) – The Settlement of Stalin’s Policy in the Polish History Course Books
- Dr Tomasz Łabuszewski (Institute of National Remembrance, Poland) – The Settlement of Stalinist Crimes in Poland: Facts and Myths
- Discussion

10.30–10.50 – Coffee break

### **10.50–13.00 – Eastern Bloc Context**

Chair: Dr Patryk Pleskot

- Prof. Bernd Schaefer (Woodrow Wilson International Center, USA) – Post-1990 United Germany and Communist Crimes
- Dr Ihar Melnikau (redactor of the portal “Historical Truth”, Belarus) – Contemporary Official Belarusian Historiography towards the History of “Unification” of Western Belarus with Soviet Union in September 1939
- Dr Csilla Kiss (University of Western Hungary) – Reckoning with Stalinism: Politics, History and Memory in Hungary
- Dr Teon Dzingo (Institute of National History, Macedonia) – Goli Otok: The Island of Death
- Bedrudin Brljavac (University of Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina) – Dictatorship under the Tito’s Era in Yugoslavia: The Sense of National Identity
- Discussion

13.00–14.00 – Lunch break

## **“PERIPHERIES” OF TOTALITARISMS**

### **14.00–15.00 – Japanese War Crimes**

Chair: Dr Tadeusz Ruzikowski

- Dr Katarzyna Starecka (Warsaw University, Poland) – Japan towards the Tokyo Tribunal’s Sentences
- Dr Łukasz Stach (Pedagogical University, Poland) – Crime without Punishment? Japanese War Crimes: Its Course, Settlement and Impact on the Contemporary Relations between Japan and Asian and Pacific Countries
- Discussion

### **15.00–16.00 – Italy During the War**

Chair: Dr Tadeusz Ruzikowski

- Dr Krzysztof Strzałka (Jagiellonian University, Poland) – Should We Punish the Fascists? The Question of Guilt and Settlement in Post-War Italy’s Political Situation
- Giuseppe Perri (Ministry of Education, Italy) – War Internment and Treatment of Foreign Jews in the Second World War by the Italian Fascist Regime
- Discussion

### **16.00–16.20 – Coffee break**

### **16.20–17.20 – Assessment of the Collaboration in the West**

Chair: Dr Patryk Pleskot

- Katarzyna Nuckowska-Cherek (Institute of National Remembrance, Poland) – Directions of the Norwegian Policy towards the Post-War Germany 1945–1955
- Prof. Jerzy Eisler (Institute of National Remembrance, Poland) – The State of Vichy
- Discussion

### **17.20–18.20 – Unfinished Neutrality?**

Chair: Dr Patryk Pleskot

- Prof. Paweł Jaworski (Wrocław University, Poland) – Swedish Settlement of the Strategy of Neutrality from the Second World War Period
- Dr Paweł Duber (Poland) – Switzerland during the Second World War from the Perspective of Independent Experts Commission (Bergiers’ Report)
- Discussion

### **18.20–18.30 – Conclusion of the Conference**