

9th IOS Annual Conference

**Public Health in East and Southeast Europe:
Growth, Inequality and the State. Contemporary and Historical Perspectives**

13—15 October 2022

IOS, Regensburg

Conference program

Thursday, October 13

Venue: Hotel Maximilian (Maximilianstr. 28, Regensburg)

17.00—17.30: Opening

ULF BRUNNBAUER, HARTMUT LEHMANN (IOS Regensburg): Greetings

OLGA POPOVA (IOS Regensburg), GERGANA MIRCHEVA (Sofia University/Humboldt Fellow at IOS):
Introduction into the conference themes

17.30—19.30: Keynotes

DORA VARGHA (HU Berlin): Defining success: inequalities, unintended consequences and the
endings of epidemics in Eastern Europe

19.30: Dinner Reception

Friday, October 14

*Venue: Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies, Landshuter Str. 4, Regensburg,
Room 319*

9.00—10.30 Panel 1: International influence and networks

Chair: ULF BRUNNBAUER (Regensburg)

CHRISTIAN PROMITZER (Graz): National self-assessment, imperial fields of influence and international
networks: Conflicting demands in the foundation of public health initiatives in South-Eastern Europe
up to the First World War

EVGUENIA DAVIDOVA (Portland): National Emissaries for Preventive Healthcare: Visiting Nurses in
Interwar Bulgaria and the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats, and Slovenes/Yugoslavia

VEDRAN DUANČIĆ (Klagenfurt): Alma-Ata, Yugoslavia: The Intertwined Local and Global Meanings of
Primary Health Care in Late Socialism

10.30—11.00 Coffee break

11.00—12.30 Panel 2: Health and political environment

Chair: PETRU NEGURA (Regensburg)

ANELIA KASSABOVA (Sofia): Ideas and ambitious promises, structural constraints and failures – the contradictory Bulgarian socialist demographic politics

JAN AREND (Tübingen): Stress and the Transformation in Czechoslovakia/Czech Republic, 1960s-2000s

ILIA NADAREISHVILI (Tbilisi) and KARSTEN LUNZE (Boston): COVID-19 pandemic response in volatile political and geopolitical environment – Georgian experience

12.30—13.30 Lunch

13.30—15.30 Panel 3: Vaccination resistance

Chair: OLGA POPOVA (Regensburg)

JOSIP GLAUDIĆ and CHRISTOPHE LESSCHAEVE (Luxembourg): The Politics of Covid-19 Vaccination Resistance in Southeast Europe

MRIKA ALIU (Prishtina) and HA THI HONG NGUYEN (Prishtina): COVID-19 Vaccine Acceptance Among Marginalized Populations in Kosovo (Roma, Ashkali, Egyptian)

ELIZAVETA PRONKINA et al. (Paris): The Covid-19 Curtain: Can Past Communist Regimes Explain the Vaccination Divide in Europe?

15.30—16.00 Coffee break

16.00—17.30 Panel 4: Health inequalities

Chair: SINEM AYHAN (Regensburg)

DANIELA KOLEVA (Sofia): How can care produce inequality? The case of the ‘active fighters against fascism and capitalism’ in Bulgaria

RADINA VUČETIĆ (Belgrade): “Everybody get vaccinated!”: Smallpox epidemics in Yugoslavia in 1972 (*online*)

TIJANA KARIĆ (Marburg) and VLADIMIR MIHIĆ (Novi Sad): Health inequalities in time of Covid-19: The case of Roma in Serbia

Saturday, October 15

Venue: Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies, Landshuter Str. 4, Regensburg, Room 319

09.00—10.30 Panel V: State health care systems

Chair: HEIKE KARGE (Regensburg)

MARTIN IVANOV (Sofia) and MATTHIAS MORYS (York): Did public health and living standards actually improve under state socialism? Evidence from Bulgaria, 1944–1989

VIOLA LÁSZLÓFI (Paris/Budapest): Undisciplined Patients, Regulated Medical Authority? Changing Norms of Patient Care in State Socialist Hungary

10.30—11.00 Coffee break

11.00—12.30 Panel VI: Trust in public health

Chair: HARTMUT LEHMANN (Regensburg)

FLORIE MIFTARI BASHOLLI et al. (Prishtina): Trust in healthcare and other institutions during Covid-19 pandemic in Kosovo

ALARI PURJU (Tallinn): Governance of the Health Care System and its impact on economy during the Covid-19 in Estonia

12.30—13.30 Lunch

13.30—15.00 Panel VII: Disadvantaged groups

Chair: GERGANA MIRCHEVA (Sofia/Regensburg)

KRISTINA POPOVA (Sofia): Ergotherapy and/or unpaid work in the closed institutions for children with disabilities in Bulgaria in the 1950ies and 1960ies

GALINA GONCHAROVA (Sofia), TEODORA KARAMELSKA (Sofia): The Care for People with Dementia in Bulgaria: Between Over-Responsibility to the Family and Distrust in Public Health Services

15.15—16.00 Concluding remarks