

Saturday, 29 June 2024

**14.00-15.30 Care for older people (2): Recent trends**

**Chair: Kathleen Beger** (IOS)

**Aurelia Borzin** (Regensburg), **Kristiyan Hristov** (Sofia):

“Home care and day care: An important long-term care alternative of institutional care”

**Noémi Katona, Dóra Gábrriel** (HUN-REN Centre for Social Sciences, Corvinus University of Budapest):

“The informal eldercare market in Hungary: Negotiations between households and care workers in the informal market”

**Nataša Todorović, Milutin Vračević** (Gerontological Society of Serbia, Belgrade):

“The role of informal caregivers in the long-term care (LTC) systems in the Western Balkans”

**15.30-16.00 Concluding remarks**



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Thursday, 27 June 2024

**17.00 Welcome and opening remarks**

**Ulf Brunnbauer** and **Vladimir Kozlov** (both IOS)



**17.15 Keynote lectures**

**Eduard Jongstra** (United Nations Population Fund, Istanbul):

“From Demographic Security to Demographic Resilience”

**Alissa Klots** (University of Pittsburgh):

“The Restless Generation: Soviet Retirees and the Meanings of Active Old Age”

**19.30 Reception**

Friday, 28 June 2024

**9.00-10.30 Demography and population development**

**Chair: Vladimir Kozlov** (IOS)

**Aleksandra Vuletić** (Institute of History, Belgrade), **Ivan Marinković**

(Demographic Research Center, Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade):

“Shifts in the age-sex structure of Serbia’s population: From the late 19th to the early 21st century”

**Kristijan Fidanovski** (University of Oxford):

“Child benefits and fertility behaviour in Europe: Do child age and birth order matter?”

**10.30-11.00 Coffee break**

**11.00-12.30 Economic dimensions of ageing**

**Chair: Olga Popova** (IOS)

**Nazlı Şahanoğulları** (Istanbul Kültür University):

“How ageing will affect the pension system in Turkey? An analysis of public transfers for the elderly in Turkey”

**Valeriu Prohniţchi** (National Institute for Economic Research, Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova, Chişinău):

“Fiscal implications of ageing in Moldova”

**Róbert Iván Gál** (Corvinus University of Budapest):

“How serious is the problem of population ageing?”

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**12.30-13.30 Lunch break**

**13.30-15.30 Expert discourses and policy making**

**Chair: Ulf Brunnbauer** (IOS)

**Daniela Koleva** (Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”):

“Constructing old age in communist Bulgaria: Ideology, policy, science”

**Corina Doboş** (National Institute for the Study of Totalitarianism, Romanian Academy, Bucharest):

“Population aging in late socialist Romania: Knowledge production and policy making”

**Adela Hîncu** (Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca):

“Tending to a crisis in the making: Scientific and philosophical research on aging in socialist Romania”

**Nita Handastya** (University of Padua):

“Childhood’s circumstances and the old-age health in the Baltic’s post-communist welfare state”

**15.30-16.00 Coffee break**

**16.00-18.00 Inequalities of ageing**

**Chair: Sinem Ayhan** (IOS)

**Olga Gagauz, Valeriu Prohniţchi** (National Institute for Economic Research, Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova, Chişinău):

“Rural-urban economic inequality of elderly: Evidence from national transfer accounts for Moldova”

**Petru Negură** (Moldova State University, Chişinău, based in Regensburg):

“Family breakdown, survival strategies and post-soviet Nostalgia: Aging homeless in Moldova”

**Radoslava Guirguinova** (State Department of Building Baden-Württemberg, Stuttgart):

“The paradox of Eastern and Southeastern Europe’s disappearing elderly: The role of the built environment in the process of ageing”

**Raluca Elena Buia** (University Ca’ Foscari of Venice):

“The evolution of (post) pandemic labour market outcomes of older workers in Europe”

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**9.00-11.00 Perceptions and representations of ageing**

**Chair: Daniela Koleva** (Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”)

**Judith Brehmer** (Collegium Carolinum, Munich):

“I can see that I do not fit into the present times’: (Re-)negotiating one’s place in society after retirement in Czechoslovakia”

**Andrea Bělehradová** (University of Hradec Králové):

“Ageing in socialist Czechoslovakia: From prolonging productivity to sexual activity in older age”

**Ivana Spirovska** (Karl-Franzens University of Graz):

“Victims, villains and heroes: Ageing narratives intertwined between agency, vulnerability and ‘burden’ representations in North Macedonia”

**Orsolya Udvari** (Corvinus University of Budapest):

“Analysing demographic nationalism and ageing within population discourses in the Hungarian context”

**11.00-11.30 Coffee break**

**11.30-13.00 Care for older people (1): Historical perspectives**

**Chair: Andi Balla** (IOS)

**Marek Tuszewicki** (Jagiellonian University, Kraków):

“Jewish elderly homes (moshav zkenim) in Eastern Europe as markers of modernity”

**Inxhi Brisku** (Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia):

“Eldercare in socialist Albania: An institutional analysis during the consolidation of the regime”

**13.00-14.00 Lunch break**

