

*International Conference***Women's Labour Activism in Eastern Europe and Beyond,
19th and 20th Centuries**

Central European University, Vienna/Austria, 14-16 October 2021

About the Conference:

The conference brings together the contributors, three lead discussants and the ZARAH team to discuss the papers and prepare the edited volume. During the conference, the panel chairs introduce each contributor and the context in which their research is being conducted. Then the contributor briefly introduces her/his paper (5 minutes) *not* summarizing the content but pointing to, e.g. elements/dimensions of the paper that need further elaboration, his/her own possible issues with the paper or questions the contributor would particularly appreciate input from the group. After that, one of the lead discussants will give her/his comments (maximum 10 minutes), then the panel chair might come in with additional points, and afterwards the floor is open for group input and discussion.

Lead Discussants:

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14 October 2021	
9:30-9:45	Introduction
9:45-11:05	<p>Panel 1: Communist Women's Activism in National and International Context</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Selin Çağatay</p> <p>Daria Dyakonova (International University in Geneva) <i>Transnational Women's Labour Movement: Communist Women's Fight for Women Workers' Rights in the 1920s</i></p> <p>Kamelia Tzeneva (Central European University, Vienna) <i>Women Without Consciousness? Communist Women Workers' Written Activism in Bulgaria between the Two World Wars</i></p>
11:05-11:25	Coffee Break
11:25-12:45	<p>Panel 2: Women's Labour Activism in the Cold War Context</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Olga Gnydiuk</p> <p>Johanna Wolf (Max Planck Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory, Frankfurt am Main) <i>"Women as Workers": Discussions about Equal Pay in the World Federation of Trade Unions in the late 1940s</i></p> <p>Eloisa Betti (University of Bologna) <i>Women's Activism and Vocational Training Between the Local and the Global: The Case of Cold-War Italy</i></p>

12:45-13:55	Lunch Break
13:55-15:15	<p>Panel 3: Women Labour Activists' Life Stories 1</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Veronika Helfert</p> <p>Viktoria Pötzl (Grinnell College, Iowa) <i>Klara Blum/Zhu Bailan and Transnational Labour Movements</i></p> <p>Georg Spitaler (Labour History Society, Vienna) <i>Hilde Kroner and the "Generation of Fulfillment": Depression, Left Melancholy and a Haunting Archive of Political Hope</i></p>
15:15-15:35	Coffee Break
15:35-17:45 (incl. 10 min break)	<p>Panel 4: Reflections and Discourses on Women's (Labour) Activism</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Eszter Varsa</p> <p>Dóra Czeferner (Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest) <i>Interpretation and Discourse of Women's Labour Activism in the Austro-Hungarian Bourgeois-Liberal, Feminist Press (1907-1918)</i></p> <p>Sonja M. Dujmović (University of Sarajevo) <i>Social Democratic Reflections on Women's Activism in the Workers' Movement During the First World War in Bosnia and Herzegovina</i></p> <p>Zsombor Bódy (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest) <i>Discourses on Women's Labour Activism in the Field of Religious, National and Left-Wing Women's Movements, Hungary 1920-1940. The Paradox Linking of National Commitment and International Horizon</i></p>
19:00	Joint Dinner

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9:15-10:35	<p>Panel 5: Women's Rights and Left-Wing Movements</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Alexandra Ghit</p> <p>Jean-Pierre Liotard-Vogt (Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne) <i>"The Most Important Thing Is That a New Society Can Come About": Anna Kéthly (1889-1976): A Stubborn Loyalist in the Fight for Democratic Socialism, Women's Rights and Trade Union Rights</i></p> <p>Denisa Nešťáková (Comenius University, Bratislava/Herder Institute, Marburg) <i>Against Bourgeois Immorality: Communist Women in Czechoslovakia: Between Reproductive Rights and Social Equality</i></p>
10:35-10:55	Coffee Break

<p>10:55-12:15</p>	<p>Panel 6: Women, Labour and Welfare Politics</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Olga Gnydiuk</p> <p>Ihor Karpenko (National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Kyiv) <i>Women-Workers as an Object of Care of Modern State in Sugar-Refining Industry of the Russian Empire (1880-1905)</i></p> <p>Maren Hachmeister (Hannah Arendt Institute for Totalitarianism Studies, Technical University Dresden) <i>Just Around the Corner: Women's Self-Organized Care for the Elderly Before and After 1989 in East Germany, Poland and Czech Republic</i></p>
<p>12:15-13:25</p>	<p>Lunch Break</p>
<p>13:25-15:35 (incl. 10 min. break)</p>	<p>Panel 7: Intellectuals, Expertise and Women Labour Activism</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Alexandra Ghit</p> <p>Masha Bratischeva (Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa) <i>Ground Zero of Russian Feminism: The Women's Translation Artel, Saint Petersburg, 1863-1875</i></p> <p>Natalia Jarska (Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw/Masaryk University, Brno) <i>Trade Union Activists, Expertise and Gender Inequalities in the Workplace in Post-1956 Poland</i></p> <p>Marie Láníková (Masaryk University, Brno) <i>The Czechoslovak Women's Union, Labour Activism and Expertise under Socialism, 1967-1989</i></p>
<p>15:35-15:55</p>	<p>Coffee Break</p>
<p>15:55-18:05 (incl. 10 min. break)</p>	<p>Panel 8: Women Workers and Men-Dominated Unions</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Ivelina Masheva</p> <p>Jan A. Burek (European University Institute, Florence) <i>The Moral Economy of The Disenfranchised: Female Working-Class Activism in the Polish Textile Industry in a Trans-War Perspective</i></p> <p>Mátyás Erdélyi (French Research Center in Humanities and Social Sciences, Prague) <i>Women's Labour Activism: The Case of Bank Clerks in Central Europe, 1900-1920</i></p> <p>Sophia Polek (University of Basel) <i>How to Explain Gender-Based Inequity in Unionism? The St. Petersburg Printers' Journal of 1906 Under Feminist Reading</i></p>

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9:30-10:50	<p>Panel 9: Women Labour Activists' Life Stories 2</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Jelena Tešija</p> <p>Boleslav Šmejkal (Charles University, Prague) <i>Františka Dočekalová: Class, Gender and Activism at the End of the 19th and the Beginning of the 20th Century</i></p> <p>Eric Fure-Slocum (St. Olaf College, Northfield) <i>A Croatian American Woman's Path to Labour-Left Racial Egalitarianism in the Industrial City, 1922-1944</i></p>
10:50-11:10	<p>Coffee Break</p>
11:10-12:30	<p>Panel 10: Women and Strikes</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Selin Çağatay</p> <p>Büşra Satı (Binghamton University, State University of New York/Denison University, Granville, Ohio) <i>"Long Live Our Father": Berec Women's Strike in Turkey, 1964-1965</i></p> <p>Ana Rajković (Croatian Institute of History, Zagreb) <i>Strike as a Form of Yugoslav Women Workers' Activism in the Interwar Period (1918-1939)</i></p>
12:30-13:40	<p>Lunch Break</p>
13:40-15:00	<p>Panel 11: Public Representations of Women's Labour</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Veronika Helfert</p> <p>Masha Shpolberg (University of North Carolina, Wilmington) <i>Women Filmmakers, Women Workers: Visualizing the "Double Burden" in Late Socialist Poland</i></p> <p>Sylwia Nehring (National Institute of Culture and Heritage of Countryside, Warsaw) <i>Labour Women in Modern Museums of Communism in Poland</i></p>

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