Conference Program 2018

New Perspectives on the Role of Intelligence in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe

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Kirchbergstr. 18, 8044 Graz, Austria

FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2018

12:00-12:30 Registration

12:30-13:00 Welcome and Opening Statements

Shlomo SHPIRO, Chairman of the IIHA Siegfried BEER, Chairman of the ACIPSS Florian BIEBER, Director of the CSEES, University of Graz

13:00-14:30 Panel I: Intelligence in Southeastern Europe from World War I until Today

Chair: Shlomo SHPIRO, Bar Ilan University, Israel

- Bogdan Alexandru TEODOR, 'Mihai Viteazul' National Intelligence Academy, Romania:
 - The Great War and the Eastern European Battlefront: The Role of the Romanian Intelligence
- Duncan BARE, ACIPSS, University of Graz, Austria:
 Developing American HUMINT in Central Europe: The SSU/CIG and 'the Pond' in Early Cold War Budapest (Hungary)



Christopher NEHRING, German Spy Museum Berlin, Germany:
 New Perspectives on Bulgarian Intelligence

14:30-15:00 Coffee Break

15:00-16:30 Panel II: Foreign and Domestic Intelligence Services in Austria

Chair: Siegfried BEER, University of Graz, Austria

- Dieter BACHER, Ludwig-Boltzmann-Institute for Research on Consequences of War, Graz, Austria:
 - Czechoslovakian Intelligence Services in Austria during the Early Cold War 1948-1968
- Przemysław GASZTOLD, Institute of National Remembrance & War Studies University of Warsaw, Poland:
 - Polish Military Intelligence in Austria, 1955-1990
- Paul SCHLIEFSTEINER, ACIPSS, University of Graz, Austria: Publishing about Austria and Intelligence after 1945: Critical, Political, Anecdotal and Loathing, but barely Academic

17:00-18:30 Panel III: Intelligence during the Cold War I

Chair: Florian BIEBER, University of Graz, Austria

- Adrian HÄNNI, Distance Learning University, Switzerland:
 Western Intelligence, the Pope and the Cold War in Eastern Europe: The strange
 Case of La Commission pour l'Eglise Persécutée
- Ivan BARIC, Zagreb Defence Academy, Croatia:
 Conflict between Yugoslavia and the Cominform in the declassified CIA Reports
 The Informbiro Period
- Igor LUKES, Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies, Boston University, LISA:

"Who Killed Secretary General Rudolf Slansky? Stalin? The CIA?"

19:00 Dinner

Keynote Speaker:

• Yossi KUPERWASSER, former head of the Israeli Defense Force Intelligence Research Division, Israel:

Learning as a Generator of Improvement - the Israel Intelligence Experience Discussant: Shlomo SHPIRO, Chairman of the IIHA



SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2018

09:00-10:30 Young Researcher Forum Young Researcher Forum

Chair: Charlotte Backerra, University of Darmstadt, Germany

- Oana-Elena BRANDA, Titu Maiorescu University, Bucharest, Romania: The need for reform of the national security legislation in Romania
- Constant HIJZEN, Leiden University, The Netherlands:
 Of ticking bombs: Western security services against political violence and terrorism
- Dora GELO, University of Zagreb, Croatia:
 Fundamental problems between intelligence system and media in the context of transparency demands and secrecy requirements

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-12:30 Panel IV: Intelligence and Terrorism

Chair: Wolfgang KRIEGER, University of Marburg, Germany

- Paul MADDRELL, Loughborough University, UK:
 Terrorism in Central Europe: the Stasi as an International Terrorist Organization, 1950-1989
- John SCHINDLER, New York Observer, USA:
 Black Actions: Yugoslav Intelligence and State Terrorism, 1965-1990
- Gordan AKRAP, Hybrid Warfare Research Institute Zagreb, Croatia: Yugoslavian State Security Service and International Terrorism – German RAF and Yugoslavia

12:30-14:00: Lunch Break

14:00-15:30 Panel V: Intelligence during the Cold War II

Chair: Charlotte Backerra, University of Darmstadt, Germany

- Cees WIEBES, Senior Analyst (ret.), National Coordinator for Counter-Terrorism,
 The Netherlands:
 - The Hungarian Uprising of 1956: 3000 Hungarian Refugees flee to the Netherlands and the Response of the Dutch Intelligence Community A Historical Appraisal
- Simon GRAHAM, University of Sydney, Australia: Ideology, Intelligence Cultures and Interdependence: A Transnational History of Intelligence in Soviet-aligned Central Europe, 1948-1958
- Daniela RICHTEROVA, University of Warwick, UK:



Communist Czechoslovakia, Revolutionaries and Terrorists: An Investigation into State Relations with Violent Non-State Actors

15:30-16:00 Coffee Break

16:00-17:00 Panel VI: Developments of Intelligence in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe after the Cold War

Chair: Anna ABELMANN, Ruhr University of Bochum, Germany

- Michal VASECKA, Bratislava International School of Liberal Arts, Slovakia: Intelligence and Anti-Semitism in the Process of Modernization of Central Europe after 1989
- John NOMIKOS, RIEAS Institute, Athens, Greece:
 Intelligence and Instability in Southeast Europe: Organized Crime and Illegal Immigration

17:00-17:30 Project Presentation: Cold War Eastern Europe

Francisco VIRGILI, Digital Resources Taylor & Francis

18:00-19:00 IIHA Membership Meeting 2018 (for members only)

19:00 Dinner

SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018

09:00-11:00 Panel VII: Oversight and Accountability: New Perspectives and Historical Discoveries

Chair: Richard ALDRICH, University of Warwick, UK

- Melina DOBSON, University of Warwick, UK:
 "Waste, Fraud and Abuse": The Call for a Whistleblower Track in the Intelligence Community
- Sarah MAINWARING, University of Warwick, UK:
 Regulating the swamp-attempts to develop Oversight for Cyberspace 'from Clipper and TTP, to RIP'
- Jason DYMYDIUK, University of Warwick, UK:
 NSA-Press Relations in a Post-Church Committee America
- Jules GASPARD, Dublin City University, Ireland:

 Autobiography as Accountability? New CIA Memoirs and the public Face of Intelligence

Discussant: Chris MORAN, University of Warwick, UK



11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-13:00 Panel VIII: Sharing and Gathering Intelligence in Times of Crisis

Chair: Michael WALA, University of Bochum, Germany

- Aviva GUTTMANN, King's College London, UK: The Political Dimension of Intelligence-Sharing
- Ephraim LAPID, Bar Ilan University, Israel:
 An Intelligence Triangle: Israel, Turkey and Iran 1956-1979
- Natalia TELEPNEVA, University of Warwick, UK:
 Agent SEKRETAR: Czechoslovakia in Africa and the Role of Human Intelligence during the Cold War

13:00-13:30 Closing Remarks

End of Conference

