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**14<sup>th</sup> Annual Cold War History Research Center  
International Student Conference  
at Corvinus University of Budapest**

**May 22 – 23, 2024**

**1093, Budapest**

**Opening session: E. 2 lecture hall**

**Vámház krt. 8.**

**Panels 1–6: Közraktár utca 4–6.**

**Room: C. 510, 5<sup>th</sup> floor**

**The conference is organized in collaboration with  
the Cold War International History Project, Woodrow Wilson Center  
for Scholars, Washington D.C.,  
the London School of Economics and Political Science,  
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and  
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## PROGRAM

**May 22, WEDNESDAY**

**10:00 – 10:15**

### **OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE**

**Venue: E. 2 lecture hall**

**10:00 – 10:05 OPENING REMARKS**

**Csaba BÉKÉS**, Professor, Corvinus University of Budapest, Director, Cold War History Research Center at Corvinus University of Budapest, and the Centre for Social Sciences

**10:05 – 10:15 OPENING SPEECH**

**Ágnes SZUNOMÁR**, Director, Institute of Global Studies, Corvinus University of Budapest

**10:15 – 11:00**

### **KEYNOTE SPEECH (ONLINE)**

**Sergey RADCHENKO**, Professor at the School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University.

**“The Cold War’s Big Unanswered Questions: Another Look.”**

In this talk, Sergey Radchenko will discuss his new book, *To Run the World. The Kremlin's Cold War Bid for Global Power*. Drawing on new evidence from Moscow archives, he will test existing assumptions about the Cold War, and propose a new interpretation of the Kremlin’s underlying motivations from Stalin to Putin.

### **INTRODUCTION OF THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

by **Christian F. OSTERMANN**, award winning historian, Founding Director of the History and Public Policy Program and Director of the Cold War International History Project at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington D.C.

**11:00 – 11:20 BREAK**



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**11:20 – 12:40**

**PANEL 1**

**Cultural Narratives of the Cold War: Activism, Propaganda, and Political Symbols**

**Venue: Room C/510**

**Chair: Victoria PHILLIPS** (Co-director, Cold War Archives Research Institute at the Wilson Center)

**Natasha Lock 洛夏**, (King's College London, PhD Candidate)

*The depiction of enemies in China's Cultural Revolution Propaganda Posters*

**Bai Ruoxi** (Sun Yat-sen University, MA student)

*Becoming "Free Citizens": American Image Publicity for Hungarian Refugees and Its Echo (1956–1957)*

**Dylan Thomas Mask** (Central European University, MA student)

*Lame White Horse: Vladko Maček and the Decline of the Croatian Peasant Party in Exile*

**Rashida Shafiq** (Southern Methodist University, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*From Grassroots to Spy Roots: Gloria Steinem's Cold War Odyssey*

**Discussion**

**12:40 – 14:20 LUNCH BREAK**

**14:20 – 16:00**

**PANEL 2**

**Crossing Ideological Boundaries: Intellectual Exchanges and Economic Development in the Cold War**

**Venue: Room C/510**

**Chair: Norbert SZIJÁRTÓ** (Corvinus University of Budapest)

**Audrius Rickus** (University of Virginia, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*Facing the Polycrisis of the 1970s: France's Pursuit of an Equitable Postcolonial International Economy*

**Mirek Tobiáš Hošman** (University of Bologna, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*“A New Organization a Day Keeps the Communist Away”: The Birth of the International Development Association*

**Yating Zhang** (Freie Universität Berlin, PhD Candidate)

*Inspiration from the Social Market Economy: Sino–West German Intellectual Exchange during the 1970s–1990s*

**Attila Apor** (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, PhD Candidate)

*The Crisis of the “Happiest Barracks”*

**Discussion**

**16:00 – 16:20 BREAK**



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**16:20 – 18:00**

**PANEL 3**

**Ideological Influences in the Cold War: Global Dynamics and Strategic Initiatives**

**Venue: Room C/510**

**Chair: Christopher WALSCH** (Corvinus University of Budapest)

**Lauren Howard** (University of Wyoming, MA student; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*John D. Rockefeller III and the Population Council: Philanthropy's Role in Cold War Population Control Politics*

**Sanja Lukić** (University of Belgrade, PhD Candidate)

*The Academic Chess Game: Unpacking Yugoslavia's Political Objectives in the Fulbright Program*

**Ryan Singsank** (Columbia University–London School of Economics, MA student)

*Always on Alert: The Final Years of the Live Oak Planning Group and the Defense of West Berlin, 1983–1990*

**Ivan Coric** (University of Zagreb, MA student)

*The Missing Link: RAND Corporation on Yugoslavia, 1968–1992*

**Discussion**

## **MAY 23, THURSDAY**

**Venue: Room C/510**

**10:00 – 11:40**

### **PANEL 4**

### **Shadows of the Bamboo Curtain: Interactions and Tensions in Cold War Asia**

**Venue: Room C/510**

Chair: **Tamás MATURA** (Corvinus University of Budapest)

**Bianca Trifoi**, (George Washington University, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*“Children of the Heroes’ Nation:” Children, Childhood, and the State in 1950s–1960s North Korea*

**Leon Biela** (University of Freiburg, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*Delivering Aid in a Cold War World: How Humanitarian NGOs Inadvertently Facilitated Vietnam’s International Isolation in 1979*

**Duanyi Yi** (University of Glasgow, PhD Candidate)

*Li Biao’s No.1 Order in 1969: A Potential Outbreak of Nuclear War between the Soviet Union and China*

**Camilo Aguirre Torrini** (University of Sussex; PhD Candidate)

*People’s Diplomacy: The Chile- (North)Korea Friendship Association and the Building of Bilateral Relations, 1958-1973*

### **Discussion**

**11:40 – 12:00 BREAK**



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**12:00 – 13:40**

**PANEL 5**

**Forgotten Frontlines: Exploring Cold War Strategies in Africa, Latin America and the Arctic**

**Venue: Room C/510**

**Chair: Bernadett LEHOCZKI** (Corvinus University of Budapest)

**Gloria Lamptey** (University of Ottawa, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*Unsung Cold Warriors: Decolonization and the Pan-African Youth Movement in Nkrumah-Era Ghana*

**Emma L. Armstrong** (Southern Methodist University, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*The Arctic and the Cold War: How the World's Northernmost Region Impacted the Superpower Conflict*

**Mariela Pichardo** (Peking University, MA student; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*A Trip to the Antipodes: Juan Bosch in the People's Republic of China*

**Emma Orchardson** (University of Warwick, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*"I did my best quietly": Malawi on the margins of Zimbabwe's independence*

**Discussion**

**13:40 – 15:00**

**LUNCH BREAK**

**15:00 – 16:40**

**PANEL 6**

**Revisiting the Cold War: Theoretical Insights and Contemporary Reflections**

**Venue: Room C/510**

Chair: **Barnabás VAJDA** (Selye János University, Komárno)

**Niall Gray** (University of Strathclyde, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*“Trust but verify”: Historians and the end of the Cold War*

**Patrick Leech** (Baylor University, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*The Hungarian Crisis: Reform, Revolution, Refugees, and the need for a longer timeline*

**Nicholas Jerome Misukanis** (University of Maryland, PhD Candidate; Cold War Archives Research Fellow under the Wilson Center)

*The Nuclear Option: Politics of the Past, and West-German Energy Policy to Secure the Future, 1973–1986*

**Anastasiia Kychak** (Corvinus University of Budapest, PhD Candidate)

*The implications of the Soviet Union’s collapse: the case of Ukraine*

**Discussion**

**16:40 – 16:50**

**CLOSING REMARKS**

**Csaba BÉKÉS**, Professor, Corvinus University of Budapest, Director, Cold War History Research Center at Corvinus University of Budapest and the Centre for Social Sciences