

13th CEE Forum Conference – Prague, 16-17 September 2021

Political Imagination and Utopian Energies in Central and Eastern Europe

Preliminary program

Venue address: Faculty of Law, Charles University, nám.
Curieových 7, 110 00 Praha 1

ROOM 214 – Stream 1: Utopia and legal/political/social theory

ROOM 231 – Stream 2: Central Europe: past, present, future

THURSDAY

Registration: 8:30 – 9:30 (Room 38)

Keynote speech: 9:30 – 10:45 (Room 103)

Albena Azmanova (University of Kent): Shy dreams and ambitious pragmatism: recovering the historical residues of 1989

Coffee break: 10:45 – 11:00 (Room 38)

Panel 1: (Post)modern condition – 11:00 – 12:20 (Room 214)

Filip Vostal (Czech Academy of Sciences): Social Acceleration: Five "Deflationary" Comments

István Kevevári (National University of Public Service, Budapest): Marxism After Marxism: Deconstruction, Justice and Utopia

Katinka Tóth (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest): „Law and Literature” as a potential teaching method for transforming attitudes in Hungarian legal education

Panel 2: Courts, constitutionalism, populism – 11:00 – 12:20 (Room 231)

Áron Fábián (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest): ‘Independent, Democratic State Governed by the Rule of Law...’: Constitutional Imagination in the Jurisprudence of the Hungarian Constitutional Court

Karolina Kocemba (University of Wrocław): Right-Wing Constitutionalism and Women’s Rights in Poland

Piotr Załęski (Jagiellonian University, Kraków): The failed utopia of liberal legalism. How the lawmaking activity (the 1990s) of the Polish Constitutional Court has shaped the divided and hostile Polish political landscape

Lunch break: 12:20 – 13:15 (Room 38)

Panel 3: Utopian energies of the Central European past - 13:15 - 14:35 (Room 214)

Václav Rut (Charles University): Václav Havel's utopianism as a search for left governmentality

Krzysztof Katkowski (University of Warsaw): Between Utopia and... Democracy? Finding a Legal-Utopia Paradigm in Polish Socialist Theory (Brzozowski, Petrażycki)

Rafał Mańko (University of Amsterdam / Jagiellonian University, Kraków): The 'Self-Governing Republic': A Forgotten Utopian Vision of the Solidarność Movement of 1980-81

Peter Čuroš (University of Oslo): Utopian plans and institutional inertia presented on Czechoslovakia in 1945-1953

Panel 4: Central and Eastern Europe in transition - 13:15 - 14:35 (Room 231)

Galina Yakova (Leeds Beckett University): Between the Communist Utopia and the Transition to Democracy: Bulgarian Socialist Legacy in EU Shoes? The Good, the Bad and the Ugly

Laura Gheorghiu (Karl Franzens University Graz): The "Returning to Europe" Utopia in Central Europe

Filip Cyuńczyk (SWPS University of Humanities and Social Sciences, Warsaw): Have one's cake and eat it: collective visions of the past as a constitutionalising factor in Central Europe in last 30 years

Coffee break: 14:35 - 14:50 (Room 38)

Panel 5: Justice, rule of law, and utopia - 14:50 - 16:10 (Room 214)

Leon van den Broeke (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam / Theologische Universiteit Kampen), Bart van Klink (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam) and Marta Soniewicka (Jagiellonian University, Kraków): The Utopia of Legality: A Comparison Between the Polish and Dutch Regulation of the Covid-19 Crisis

Marlena Drapalska-Grochowicz (University of Silesia, Katowice): Utopian relations in law

Petra Gumplová (Friedrich Schiller University of Jena): Natural Resource Justice and the Advantage of Rights-based Approach

**Panel 6: Central European narratives of identity - 14:50 - 16:10
(Room 231)**

Aleksandra Barbara Samonek (Jagiellonian University, Kraków / Université catholique de Louvain): The New European Identity and Its Reception in Central and Eastern Europe

Mirosław Michał Sadowski (McGill University): Central European Identity: A Utopian Idea or Potential Source of New Energy for the Region?

Lukáš Lev Červinka (Charles University / Ca' Foscari University of Venice): Czech Republic's Constitutional Identity as a Narrative Constitutional Imaginary

Márton Matyasovszky-Németh (Hungarian Academy of Sciences Centre of Excellence / Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest): Human Rights in East-Central Europe: The Last Utopia or Another Failed Reform Attempt?

Evening lecture: 18:00 - 19:00 (Room 38)

Jan Wollner (Academy of Arts, Architecture and Design in Prague): Utopian architecture in East-Central Europe

Evening banquet: 19:00 - 22:00 (Foyer of the faculty building)

FRIDAY

Registration: 8:30 – 9:30 (Room 38)

Keynote speech: 9:30 – 10:45 (Room 120)

Gáspár Miklós Tamás: Nihilism and Régime Change in Eastern Europe

Coffee break: 10:45 – 11:00 (Room 38)

Panel 7: Utopia/dystopia and literature – 11:00 – 12:20 (Room 214)

Jozef Jenčík (Comenius University in Bratislava): Legal dystopia in Franz Kafka's oeuvre

Piotr Eckhardt (University in Wrocław / Jagiellonian University, Kraków): N-Euro News War Report - dystopian vision of the future of Central Europe in Ziemowit Szczerek's "Grey smoke or five civilized tribes"

Marica Mišić (University of Niš): The role of law in utopian political thought

Panel 8: Contemporary policy issues in Central Europe – 11:00 – 12:20 (Room 231)

Attila Antal (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest / Institute of Political History): Neoliberal and Populist Constitutionalism on the Eastern Semi-Periphery

Bartosz Kwiatkowski (Jagiellonian University, Kraków): Normality as an utopian aspiration – the concept of a "normal country" in Polish political and legal discourse

Kamil Zyzik (Jagiellonian University, Kraków): Symbolic Disorder? Harm, Value and the Common Good in Poland

Public roundtable: 11:00 – 12:20 (Room 120)

Roundtable about the new book by Jiří Příbáň (Constitutional Imaginaries: A Theory of European Societal Constitutionalism)

Lunch break: 12:20 – 13:15 (Room 38)

Panel 9: Question of jurisprudence – 13:15 – 14:35 (Room 214)

Paweł Lesiński (Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Lublin): Robert von Mohl's concept of Rechtsstaat's subsidiarity and its current significance

Sara Smyczek-Gołębiowska (University of Silesia, Katowice): Equity: a utopia or alternative but inherent element of the judiciary system?

Marek Suska (University of Silesia, Katowice): Fake laws as a threat for legal systems – what could (and should) lawyers do with them?

Antal Szerletics (University of Public Service, Budapest): Remarks on the defining characteristics of human rights

Panel 10: Constitutional imagination and historical memory – 13:15 – 14:35 (Room 231)

Noémi Nagy (University of Public Service, Budapest): Construction of national identities and utopian thinking in Austria-Hungary

Katalin Izsák-Somogyi (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Budapest): Victims and/or perpetrators: The found-myths of Europe in the light of the traumas in the 20th century

Zsuzsa Szakály (University of Szeged): Noble Aim and Modest Success - The Bosnian and Herzegovinian Constitution

Jennifer Orlando-Salling (University of Copenhagen) and Marina Bán (University of Copenhagen): A Tale of Three (Four, Five?) Identities: Hungary & the End of Empire