

Mednarodna konferenca TEMNA STRAN MESECA II:

soočenje in refleksija 20 let kasneje

International Conference DARK SIDE OF THE MOON II:

Confrontations and Reflections 20 years later

Tuesday, 13 November–Thursday, 15 November 2018

Ljubljana – Hall of the National Council, Šubičeva 4, Ljubljana

Bled – Hotel Park Bled

The international conference The Dark Side of the Moon II: Confrontations and Reflections 20 Years Later hosts many domestic and foreign researchers and experts who wish to encourage thinking about the respect for human dignity and to talk about fundamental human rights and the violations of these rights. The first day of the conference is intended for reflecting upon and remembering the exhibition and the anthology The Dark Side of the Moon: A Short History of Totalitarianism in Slovenia 1945–1990; they were created 20 years ago. This project was a polemical objection to the permanent exhibition on the history of Slovenians, which was prepared by museum workers in 1996 (after they had renamed the Museum of the People's Revolution as the National Museum of Contemporary History). The initiator of the project was writer Drago Jančar, who assembled a team of associates that were certain the darker parts of recent Slovenian history also needed to be revealed. This time, Slovenian authors will share their thoughts on the current state of the so-called dark side of recent Slovenian history.

The second day, which includes an international part, will be attended by representatives of the Platform of European Memory and Consciousness (PEMC); the Platform consists of 57 members from 20 European and North American countries. The representatives will present experiences with totalitarianisms in their countries. Members of the Platform are actively involved in the fields of research, documentation, and raising awareness and educating about totalitarian regimes in Europe in the 20th century. The Study Centre for National Reconciliation, an active member of the Platform, marks its 10th anniversary with this conference.

TUESDAY, 13 NOVEMBER 2018

HALL OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL, ŠUBIČEVA 4, LJUBLJANA

9.30–10.00 Gathering of participants (*need for accreditation with a personal document*)

SLO and the EU anthem

10.00–10.30 Opening speeches

- Introductory speech and presentation of the program: Marta Keršič
- dr. Andreja Valič Zver, director of SCNR
- Borut Pahor, president of the Republic of Slovenia

10.30–11.30 Session 1

- Moderator: dr. Tamara Griesser Pečar
- dr. Vasko Simoniti, *Lawless (fake) state*
- dr. Lovro Šturm, *The beginning of the revolutionary criminal law in Slovenia and its forms after the Second World War and after the democratization and independence of Slovenia*

11.30–12.00 Coffee break

12.00–13.00 Session 2

- Moderator: dr. Renato Podbersič
- dr. Milko Mikola, *Sources for studying post-war repression in Slovenia*
- dr. Tamara Griesser Pečar, *The Catholic Church, enemy number one?*
- mag. Marko Štepec, *Responses to two exhibitions*

13.00–14.00 Catering /lunch

14.00–15.00 Session 3

- Moderator: dr. Jelka Piškurić
- mag. Andrej Aplenc, *The dogs are barking, the caravan goes on*
- Ivo Jevnikar, *Difficult discovery of the dark side of the moon among Slovenians abroad*
- Janez Suhadolc, *Dark and bright side of the moon of Slovenian artists*

15.00–15.15 Break

15.15–16.15 Session 4

- Moderator: dr. Damjan Hančič
- Aleš Berger, *National heroes on the façades of Slovenian eight-year primary schools*
- dr. Ivan Klemenčič, *Slovenian avant-garde, new class and mafia until now*
- dr. Milček Komelj, *The dark side of the moon in the light of Slovene fine arts 20 years later*
- discussion and conclusion

20.00 Opening of the exhibition "Wrocław Breaks the Iron Curtain"

Museum of Slovenian independence VSO, Cankarjeva 11, Ljubljana

Speeches:

- dr. Andreja Valič Zver, director of SCNR
- dr. Marek Mutor, presentation of Depot History Center – Remembrance and Future Institute, Wrocław

WEDNESDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2018

HALL OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL, ŠUBIČEVA 4, LJUBLJANA

9.30–10.00 Gathering of participants (need for accreditation with a personal document)

SLO and the EU anthem

10.00–10.30 Opening speeches

- Introductory speech and presentation of the program: Marta Keršič
- Alojz Kovšca, president of the National Council of the Republic of Slovenia
- dr. Łukasz Kaminski, president of PEMC
- dr. Michael Lange, Resident Representative for Croatia and Slovenia, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung
- dr. Andreja Valič Zver, director of SCNR

10.30–10.50 The PEMC

- Music (M. Smolnikar, K. Koprivec, L. Bučevac)
- Award Ceremony
- Speech of Janez Janša (MP, former dissident, political prisoner, member of PEMC Board of Trustees)
- Music (M. Smolnikar, K. Koprivec, L. Bučevac)

10.50–11.50 Session 1: The case of Slovenia

- Moderator: dr. Andreja Valič Zver
- Drago Jančar, *Some bright reminiscences*
- Alenka Puhar, *Hilde Hahn lands in the right-wing nest*
- dr. Jože Dežman, *Human Rights on the Dark Side of the Moon 1998-2018*

11.50–12.20 Coffee break

12.20–13.20 Session 2: Dealing with the past in East-Central Europe (selected country reports)

- Moderator: dr. Monika Kareniauskaite
- dr. Áron Máthé, *Hungary – Post-Communism or fierce rearguard fighting for 25 years* (Hungary)
- dr. Jonila Godole, *The Failure of Transitional Justice in Post-Communist Albania* (Albania)
- dr. Martin Slávik, *Criminal transitional justice in Czech and Slovak republic* (Czech Republic, Slovakia)

- dr. Marek Mutor, *"Solidarity" in Poland* (Poland)

13.30–14.30 Catering /lunch

14.30–15.30 Session 3: "United remembrance in united Europe?"

- Moderator: dr. Paweł Ukielski
- dr. Paweł Ukielski, *The House of European History - a missed opportunity?* (Poland)
- dr. Łukasz Kamiński, *What remembrance does Europe need?* (Poland)
- dr. Hannes Gissurarson, *Making the Voices of the Victims Heard: Some Proposals* (Iceland)
- Zsolt Szilagyi, *East and West: double memory or double standards?* (Romania)
- Toomas Hiio, *United remembrance of Europe, created historical identities of the nations, history and „historical truth* (Estonia)

15.45–16.15 Visit of the prison cells of the secret political police and the exhibition on political prisoner Ms Jelka Mrak Dolinar

Beethovnova 3, Ljubljana

16.30 – 17.00 Visit of the exhibition "Wrocław Breaks the Iron Curtain"

Museum of Slovenian independence VSO, Cankarjeva 11, Ljubljana.

Speeches:

- Mr. Roman Končar, representative of Museum of Slovenian independence VSO
- Marek Mutor, presentation of Depot History Center – Remembrance and Future Institute, Wrocław

THURSDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2018

HOTEL PARK BLED

Council of Members of the Platform of European Memory and Conscience in Hotel Park, Bled.

Organizational committee: dr. Łukasz Kaminski-president, dr. Andreja Valič Zver, Alenka Puhar, Marta Keršič, Miha Drobnič, Peter Rendek, Polona Kek, dr. Milko Mikola, dr. Tamara Griesser Pečar, Boštjan Kolarič, Mirjam Dujo Jurjevčič, Erika Prijatelj Baranašič, dr. Damjan Hančič, dr. Jelka Piškurič, dr. Renato Podbersič.

Organizers: Study centre for national reconciliation (SCNR), Platform of European Memory and Conscience (PEMC), Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS), Remembrance and Future Institute Wrocław, Polish History Museum Warsaw.