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Programme

15.9.2016 Thursday

15.00-18.00 Registration

18.00 Official opening by the InASEA president,
Evgenija Krāsteva-Blagoeva

Welcome address by Margarita Popova,
Vice President of the Republic of Bulgaria

Welcome address by Kiril Avramov,
Vice-Rector of New Bulgarian University

Room: Aula



18.30-19.30
Plenary Session I

Room: Aula

Chair: Evgenija Krāsteva-Blagoeva

Karl Kaser, *Family research in and on Southeast Europe:
achievements - controversies - challenges*

20.00 Reception: Artes Restaurant

16.9.2016 Friday



9.15-10.00
Plenary Session II

Chair: Jasna Čapo

Room: Aula

Tatjana Thelen. *More than kinship: Political belonging
through parenting and elder care*

10.00-10.30 Coffee break



10.30-11.45
Session 1

1.1 From data to narrative and back again: Digital
Humanities approaches to the family in the Balkans

Chairs: Ulf Brunnbauer, Karl Kaser
Room: 217

Dumanescu, Luminița, Sorescu-ludean, Oana.
Godparenthood in rural Transylvania 1850-1918: Choices, practices, and discourse

Sorescu-ludean, Oana. *Divided fortunes, divided families: A micro-exemplary analysis of inheritance litigation in 18th century Sibiu*

Gruber, Siegfried. *Patriarchal household structures in Southeast Europe and how to measure them*

1.2. Rites of Passage

Chair: Danijela Birt Katić
Room: 212

Fetaj-Berisha, Vlore. *The Diversity of Family Rituals in the Albanian Tradition*

Musa, Leontina. *From rites of passage to celebrations*

Lelaj, Olsi. *Rites of passage and the state*

1.3 Family, History, Memory

Chair: Christian Giordano
Room: 213

Velaj, Olimbi. *Albanians, experience of war and perception of identity based on analysis of narratives*

Varelaki, Falia. *When Cancer Becomes Family History: Concepts and Attitudes through an Ethnographic Approach*

Yancheva, Yana. *Memory for the youth in the 1990s*

1.4 Representations of Children

Chair: Klaus Roth
Room: 207

Kuzova, Margarita. *Staging of the Age. The Image of Children in Bulgarian and Western European Postcards of the early 20th century*

Halimi, Zalita. *Family photography: Intergenerational connections and memories from childhood perspective*

Vukanović, Maša. *Children, cultural policy and collaborative ethnography in Serbia*



12.00 - 13.30
Session 2

2.1. Family, Migration, Transformations I

Chair: Ulf Brunnbauer

Room: 217

Kostova, Viktoria. *Changing the Social Pattern - Relations between Migrants and Relatives*

Tollkuci, Eli. *The impact of factors related to internal migration on violence against wives among migrant families from northern Albania, have settled in Tirana and its surrounding areas*

Maeva, Mila. *Bulgarian elderly migration to the United Kingdom*

2.2. Family: Images and Usages

Chair: Asker Kartari

Room: 212

Luleva, Ana. *Family caregiving in post-socialist Bulgaria: participating in the global care chains*

Margaroni, Mary. *Social representations of the modern Greek family in popular comic TV series in Greece during the last twenty years*

Petrova, Ivanka. *Family and Enterprise: Cultural encounters of Family Life World and Market Economy*

2.3 Housing and Living

Chair: Christian Giordano

Room: 213

Habit, Daniel. *Searching for the “good life”. Housing, family and urban ethics in Bucharest*

Bardhoshi, Nebi. *New Trajectories of Building and Sharing the House among Albanians*

Mateoni, Maria. *Transitory accommodation. From student housing to rental flats*

2.4 Parenthood

Chair: Evgenia Krasteva-Blagoeva

Room: 207

Tountasaki, Eirini. *From Shared Genes to Corporal Affinity: The Post-Narrative of Motherhood (Greece in the Era of Biotechnology)*

Pascu, Ana-Michaela. *Games Learning during Childhood. Difficulties Encountered and Adults' Supportive Role*

Triantafyllidis, Savvas. *"Is love what makes a family?": An anthropological analysis on gay fatherhood in Greece*



14.45-16.30

Session 3

3.1. Transnational Families

Chair: Vesna Vučinić Nešković

Room: 217

Kartari, Asker. *Mixed Marriages in Istanbul*

Kurtenbach, Sebastian. *Causes and consequences of transnational family life*

Kadriu, Lumnije. *Transnational family - between preserving old and acquiring new way of life*

Pileva, Desislava. *Cultural Markers of (Self-) Identification of Mixed Families' Offspring*

3.2 Religion, Ideology, Identity

Chair: Evgenija Krāsteva-Blagoeva

Room: 212

Stahl, Irina. *The Impact of Communism on Contemporary Religious Practices and Beliefs in Romania*

Nazarska, Georgeta, Svetla Shapkalova. *Generational Views on the Creation of Human Life in Present-Day Bulgaria*

Tsitsirkou, Dimitra. *The social and cultural aspects of children's play in a Greek community*

3.3 Inheritance and Mobility

Chair: Klaus Roth

Room: 213

Birt Katić, Danijela. *Inheritance and/after mobility*

Dobre, Claudia F. *Women's Memories and Family Heritage: "Passing on" Communist Experiences in Romania*

Kera, Gentiana. *Women and property transmission in interwar Albania*

Zlatkova, Meglena. *Mobile people and heritage across the border*

3.4 Old Age I

Chair: Karl Kaser

Room: 207

Kouzas, Georgios. *"Working until the end of their lives": Older people, who are working as itinerant peddlers in the center of Athens*

Rubić, Tihana. *Practices, representations and discourses of "active aging" in/of contemporary Croatian society*

16.30-17.00 Coffee break



17.00 - 18.45

Session 4

4.1 Gender Roles

Chair: Konstantina Bada

Room: 217

Dimova, Nevena. *Girls will be Girls, Boys will be Boys: Constructing Gender among 9 year olds in Sofia, Bulgaria*

Gavrilova, Rayna. *Coming of age in a shifting world: Bulgarian young women's choices and constraints in the decades preceding and following WW II*

Efeoglu, Elena. *Women in concentration camps during the Greek Civil War (1946-1949). A content analysis of a photo book*

Petkova-Antonova, Elena. *How Socialist Emancipation Changed Bulgarian Muslim Women and What Happens Next?*

**4.2 Cross-border marriages:
Rethinking the impact of gender, family and (nation-) state(s)**

Chair: Ulf Brunnbauer

Room: 212

Pichler, Robert. *Migration, Village Endogamy and Social Networks. A Case Study among Albanians from Macedonia*

Hysa, Armanda. *Theorizing ethnically mixed intimate relations in the Balkans: the case of Albanian - Serbian mixed marriages*

Leutloff-Grandits, Carolin. *Cross-border marriages between Kosovo and Germany/Austria: Discourses, aspirations and realities*

Dahinden, Janine, Joëlle Moret, Shpresa Jashari. *Cross-border marriages of 2nd generation migrants in Switzerland*

4.3 Marriage: Laws and Rituals

Chair: Asker Kartari

Room: 213

Avdikos, Evangelos. *From the matchmaker to the marriage agency: traditionalism and modernity in the urban space*

Hamzallari, Blerina. *Engagement as a social institution in Albanian culture and its transformation during the post-communist period: A qualitative study with university students who are engaged*

Alushi, Besmir. *Changes in the family law after the fall of the communist system in Albania, and its social consequences*

Bogdanova, Zlatina. *Family, Kinship and State in Contemporary Bulgaria: A Study on Social Security after Socialism*

4.4

Old Age II

Chair: Ana Luleva

Room: 207

Barbulescu, Constantin. *The Refusal to Grow Old*

Iliev, Ilija. *Eldercare in Rural Bulgaria: Distant Families and Close Strangers*

Jakimovska, Ilina, Ana Aštalkovska. *Old Age - Ugly Age": Ethnographic Notes on Childless Elders in the Macedonian Context*

Evtimova, Ivelina. *Aging and retirement in socialist and post-socialist Bulgaria*



20.00-22.00

InASEA General Assembly

17.09.2016 Saturday



9.15 - 10.00

Plenary session III

Chair: Carolin Leutloff-Grandits

Room: Aula

Koleva, Daniela. *Seeing like a state, seeing like a woman: policies and practices of gender and life course.*

10.00-10.30 Coffee break



10.30-11.45

Session 5

5.1

Family, Migration, Transformations II

Chair: Vesna Vučinić Nešković

Room: 217

Mišković, Nataša. *A Sequence of Exits: Growing Up as a Half-Orphan in an Extended Dalmatian Refugee Family, 1945 to 1963*

Zenelaga, Brunilda. How international migration is reshaping families? The case of new transnational (Albanian) families

Dimitrov, Nacho. Family life in the life-world of labour migrants: the example of the Karakachans in Bulgaria in post-socialism

5.2 Roma Marriages

Chair: Vassiliki Chrysanthopoulou

Room: 212

Pamporov, Alexei. *Recent transformations on the Romani bride market in Bulgaria*

Musca, Madalina. *Childhood, agency and early marriages: the case of a Roma kalderash community*

Hoxhallari, Itena. *Roma family and kinship in the contemporary social and cultural developments in Albania*

5.3 Death Rituals

Chair: Klaus Roth

Room: 213

Fruntelata, Ioana. *“Carols” for the Dead: Instances of a Dissolving Ritual Sequence in Contemporary Romanian Villages*

Delić, Vesna. *Until death bring us together*

Popescu-Simion, Florența. *When death turns into funeral business - changes in the funeral practices and rituals in contemporary Romania*



12.00-13.30

Session 6

6.1 Family, Migration, Transformations III

Chair: Christian Giordano

Room: 217

Matsumae, Moyuru. *Bulgarian Migrant Women and their Life Courses*

Borosanu, Adriana, Kristiana Glavce, Richard David-Rus. *Lifestyle changes in left behind children of migrant workers*

Mateoc, Raluca. *Narratives on deportations as imagined family memories*

6.2 Youth Culture I

Chair: Konstantina Bada

Room: 212

Savu, Alin. *Urban Childhoods*

Vučinić Nešković, Vesna. *Youth Culture in Everyday Life of the Balkan Cities: Transformations of the Corso in Serbia and Montenegro*

Mančeva, Svetoslava. *Youngsters Learning and Transition to Adulthood (Case Study from the Region of Plovdiv, Bulgaria)*

6.3 Caring for Children

Chair: Armanda Hysa Kodra

Room: 213

Petrova, Velislava. *Are you giving water?*

Lipan, Stefan. *Caring morally: the case of institutionalized children in Bucharest, Romania*

Kassabova, Anelia. *(In-)Visible Children. "Labor-Educational Schools" in Socialist Bulgaria (1944-1960s)*

6.4 Family, Migration, Transformations IV

Chair: Carolin Leutloff-Grandits

Room: 207

Göktürk, Gülen. *I have lost my beloved: male immigration left behind women and songs*

Hristov, Petko. *Life Cycle and Labour Migrations*

Krasniqi, Elife. *The impact of second generation of migrants in social and cultural life in Kosovo*



14.45-16.30

Session 7

7.1 Intergenerational Relations

Chair: Sasha Nedelkovic

Room: 217

Vol'anská, L'ubica. *Who cares? Intergenerational relationships in families in Bratislava and Vienna*

Dushi, Arbnora. *Intergenerational Memories on the Border History*

Balli, Brikena. *LGBT individuals and their parents: "Coming out" to parents and other family members in Albanian society*

Jakoubek, Marek, Lenka Budilová. *The old and the young in Voyvodovo. Property transmission and inheritance strategies in a Czech village in Bulgaria*

7.2 Family, Migration, Transformations V

Chair: Jasna Čapo

Room: 212

Brunnbauer, Ulf. *Household Dynamics and Emigration. The Trans-Atlantic Balkan Experience*

Branda, Alina. *Family in Times of Migration. A Few Case Studies*

Mandić, Marija. *Extended Family Networks: Personal Stories of Bosniaks in Berlin*

Markov, Ivajlo. *Family and Mobility: Continuities, Shifts and Generational Dynamics among Albanians from the Republic of Macedonia*

7.3 Youth Culture II

Chair: Danijela Birt Katic

Room: 213

Gioti, Stamatia, Konstantina Bada. *Adaptive reuses and re-significations in places of alterity, youth culture and identities*

Kirova, Aleksandra. *Socialization, integration, and identities in adolescence: the use of social categories by students from Albania, Kosovo, and Turkey studying in a French Republican Middle School in France*

Nejkova, Nija. *Bulgarian youth and global “saviors” - the outsourcing centers. Short term perspective, prestigious alternative or social constraint*

7.4 Ethnicity and Life Courses

Chair: Vesna Vučinić Nešković

Room: 207

Chryssanthopolou, Vassiliki. *Embodied Ways of Forging and Transmitting Identity in Greek-American Diaspora Life Courses: A Case Study of the Tarpon Springs Greek Community, Florida*

Rácz, Krisztina. *Discourses and Practices of Multiculturalism: Hungarian Youth in Vojvodina*

Jankova, Veneta. *Family memory and popular historiography. About the Tatars from Bulgarian Dobrudja*

16.30-17.00 Coffee break



17.00-18.30

Session 8

8.1 Kinship Transformations

Chair: Armanda Hysa Kodra

Room 217

Botikova, Marta. *Social settings as a research objective of family studies*

Nedeljković, Saša, Biljana Andjelković. *The Economic Potential of Krashovian Ethnic Identity and its Impact on Family Relationships*

Barbulescu, Elena. *Childcare in Exchange for Healthcare. A New Frame for An Old Pattern of Family Care in Rural Transylvania*

Latifi, Tahir. *Kinship in relation to the public and the private sphere in Kosovo.*

8.2 Expressive Culture

Chair: Vassiliki Chrysanthopoulou

Room: 212

Velioti, Maria. *Puppet Theatre in “Free Greece” (1943-44)*

Ivanova, Miglena. *Graffiti, Street Art and “Ageing”*

Shegaj, Orjona. *Singing to love in a patriarchal context: Eros, sensuality and sexuality in Albanian folksongs in a society ruled by patriarchs.*

Munishi, Visar. *Oda - Receptive Environment of Albanian Traditional Music*

8.3 Albanian Family: Historical Dimensions

Chair: Nebi Bardoshi

Room: 213

Pandelejmoni, Enriketa. *Household and family structures in Urban Albania approximately 1918*

Reka, Eglantina. *Social life, the position of women in family. Family and tribal relations in the Bosniak community living in Albania*

Broci, Ermela. *Displacement of monuments as a double loss: the reaction of heroes’ families to the displacement of the monument “Five Heroes of Vig” in the city of Shkodra*

8.4 Roma Life Experiences

Chair: Alexei Pamporov

Room: 207

Preda, Sînziana. *We, as youth, we have to listen to what the elders tell us! Even if we don’t like it*

Plainer, Zsuzsa. *“This is how I abandoned school and began selling sunflower seeds” - work experiences, living conditions and relations to formal education in Roma families in a Romanian town*

Avdžieva, Anelija. *Work-life Courses - about Social and Family Bargain (Case Study)*

Stojanova, Plamena. *“Schools for women activists” (or “Schools for mothers”) for women of Gypsy origin in socialist Bulgaria*



19.00 - 19.30 Final meeting and discussion