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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*

Mateoniu, 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*

Tsitsitkou, 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*

Pimpireva, Ženja. *Ageing and Old Age in the Life Stories of Bessarabian Bulgarians*

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, Ilia. *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, Irena. *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