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URBAN SPACES: TEMPORALITIES AND METAPHORS  
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THE ARCHITECTURE OF THE SOCIALIST CITY  
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URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE

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WATER, HYGIENE, AND SMELLS  
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THE "GREY" AND THE "GREEN" IN LARGE INDUSTRIAL CITIES  
14:30-15:30  
FINAL DISCUSSION

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Erlangen, Germany

## Programme

Thursday, 20 February 2020

08:30-09:00 Welcome and introduction: Dr. Olga Malinova-Tziafeta, Prof. Dr. Julia Obertreis

### Session 1 09:00-11:00 Urban spaces: temporalities and metaphors

- 09:00-09:20 **Martin Babička** (University of Oxford, UK): Prague - City of the Future: Temporalities of the Late Socialist Urban Space
- 09:20-09:40 **Heather De Haan** (State University of New York at Binghamton, USA): Baku as a Model of Soviet "Cosmopolitan" Urbanity: Assessing Cultural Values and Social Hierarchies in the Soviet Urban Context
- 09:40-10:00 **Elena Trubina** (Ural Federal University, Russia / European Humanities University, Vilnius, Lithuania): The Socialist City Today: Working with "Unwelcomed Pasts" and "Modernity's Dowry"
- 10:00-10:20 **Sergij Posokhov** (National University of Kharkiv, Ukraine): The image of the city as a game of metaphors (exogenous and endogenous variants of the representation of Soviet Kharkov)
- 10:20-11:00 **Comment: Mikhail Lur'e**, (European University at St. Petersburg, Russia)  
Discussion

11:00-11:20 Coffee break

### Session 2 11:20-13:20 The architecture of the socialist city

- 11:20-11:40 **Andreea Cel Mare** ("Ion Mincu" University of Architecture and Urbanism, Bucharest, Romania): Experimental Technology Building the Socialist City
- 11:40-12:00 **Paul Wolkenstein** (European Eurasia Research Centre at INALCO, National Institute for Oriental Languages and Civilizations, Paris, France): Turdakun Usabalievich Usabaliev, First Secretary and "Chief Architect" of Frunze
- 12:00-12:20 **Nikolai Mitrokhin** (University of Bremen, Germany): "Khrouschoby" (Fivefloorbuildings) versus "chastnyi sector" (one-two floor private houses) in the soviet cities 1950-1980th. What is more important for Freedom?
- 12:20-12:40 **Anna Guseva** (High School of Economics, Moscow, Russia) Soviet Dacha and Moscow Urban/Regional Planning in the 1930s
- 12:40-13:20 **Comment: Sandra Panzner** (FAU Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany)  
Discussion

13:20-14:20 Lunch

### Session 3 14:20-16:20 Urban infrastructure and transport

- 14:20-14:40 **Ekaterina Kamenskaya** (Ural Federal University Ekaterinburg, Russia): "The city comes to you": the development of the infrastructure of the village by the forces of the industrial city (example Baltym)
- 14:40-15:00 **Alexey Golubev** (University of Houston, USA): Living in Transit Spaces: Late Soviet Stairwells and Their Residents
- 15:00-15:20 **Phillip Schroeder** (University of Göttingen, Germany): Urban transport as a matter of local identity? Constructing the Leningrad metro first line (1944-1955)
- 15:20-15:40 **Natalia Otrishchenko** (Center for Urban History of East Central Europe, Lviv, Ukraine): The Rise and Fall of Underground Tram in Socialist Lviv
- 15:40-16:20 **Comment: Christoph Bernhardt** (Leibniz Institute for Research on Society and Space IRS, Erkner/Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, Germany)  
Discussion

16:20-17:00 Coffee break

17:00-18:00 City walk in Erlangen

19:00 Dinner

Friday, 21 February 2020

### Session 4 09:00-11:00 Water, hygiene, and smells

- 09:00-09:20 **Stephanie Weismann** (Universität Wien, Austria): Sniffing Out the Socialist Housing Block. Urban Modernity meets Rural Air. The Case of the Polish City of Lublin under State Socialism
- 09:20-09:40 **Anna Agafonova** (Cherepovets State University, Russia): Hydropower building and urban infrastructures in Cherepovets, 1917 - 1941: new opportunities through destruction
- 09:40-10:00 **Vadim Ilin** (Kharkiv National Medical University, Ukraine): The sanitary politics and medical infrastructure in the post-war Soviet Kharkiv (1943-1991)
- 10:00-10:20 **Włodzimierz Karol Pessel** (University of Warsaw, Poland): A postsocialist city that looks nice from underneath
- 10:20-11:00 **Comment: Olga Malinova-Tziafeta** (FAU Erlangen-Nuremberg)  
Discussion

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

### Session 5 11:30-13:30 The "grey" and the "green" in large industrial cities

- 11:30-11:50 **Weronika Parfianowicz** (University of Warsaw, Poland): "My allotment is my hobby". Between "grey" and "green" discourses of socialist cities
- 11:50-12:10 **Aida Ličina Ramić** (University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina): Urbanisation of the Olympic city of Sarajevo in the 1970s and 1980s: social and environmental effects
- 12:10-12:30 **Lennart Petrikowski** (Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen, Germany): Soviet monoprotile cities in Belarus - The case of Soligorsk, theory and practice
- 12:30-12:50 **Yevhen Rachkov** (Karazin Kharkiv National University, Ukraine): Mythology of the Large Industrial City in the USSR: Symbolic and Ritual Practices of Kharkiv during the 1960's - 1980's
- 12:50-13:30 **Comment: Sofia Dyak** (Center for Urban History of East Central Europe, Lviv, Ukraine)  
Discussion

13:30-14:30 Lunch

14:30-15:30 Final discussion