6 NOVEMBER
Participants registration
15.00—16.00

Opening addresses of representatives of organizers and partners
16.00—16.30

From the crisis of the Communist dictatorship to the crisis of liberal democracy, 1989–2019
Introductory discussion moderated by Michal Kopeček
16.30—18.00
Ágnes Gagyi / Dagmar Kusá / Pavel Barša / James Mark

7 NOVEMBER
I. THE INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT OF THE COLLAPSE OF THE COMMUNIST REGIME
NEW RESEARCH METHODS, NEW FINDINGS
Moderated by Vít Smetana
9.00—11.00

David Priestland – A Global Revolution? 1989 in Europe and Beyond
Ljubica Spaskovska – 1989: Symbol of Peace or Violence?
Pawel Ukielski – 1989. A counterrevolution in Central Europe
Martin Štefek – The Collapse of Communism: The Last Hurrah of Totalitarianism Theory?

Coffee Break
11.00—11.30
II. THE LOCAL CONTEXT OF THE COLLAPSE OF THE COMMUNIST REGIME
NEW RESEARCH METHODS, NEW FINDINGS
Moderated by Lenka Krátká

11.30—13.30

James Krapfl – Requiem for the Europe that Might Have Been
Matěj Spurný – Undermined Progress: The Transformation of Ideas about the Good Home and the Crisis of Legitimacy in Late Socialism
Miroslav Vaněk – A Hundred Student (R)evolutions: The Generation of the Students of 1989 in Longitudinal Perspective: Oral History Twenty Years On
Jaroslav Pažout – The Communist Party Membership Base in the Late "Normalization" Period

Lunch Break

13.30—15.00

III. THE ECONOMY, FROM CENTRAL PLANNING TO FREE MARKET
Moderated by Vítězslav Sommer

15.00—17.00

Lubomír Mlčoch – From Planning Games to Privatization Games, from Ownership de facto to Ownership de jure, with a Semblance of Legality
Stefan Lehr – The Culture of Debate in the Presidium of the Central Committee of the Czechoslovak Communist Party, 1988–89
Tomáš Vilímek – Enterprise Management in Czechoslovakia: From Late-Socialist Manager to Post-Socialist Manager
Václav Rameš – Self-management Bodies as Instruments of Revolution and Barriers to Transformation

8 NOVEMBER

IV. SOCIETY, FROM ‘SOCIALIST BIEDERMEIER’ TO GLOBAL CONSUMERISM
Moderated by Marie Černá

9.00—11.00

Václav Štětka – From Messengers of Globalization to Platforms for Nationalist Revival? The Tortuous Road of the Transformation of the Czech Media
Kristýna Bušková – The Psychological Trauma of Child Survivors of Political Persecution in the 1950s: Lasting Emotions and Polarized Identity with Regard to Czech Society
Jakub Rákosník – The Social Policy of Late Normalization and the Crisis of the Socialist System of Czechoslovakia in the 1980s
Daniel Prokop – Czech Society Thirty Years On: New Inequalities and Their Social Importance

Coffee Break

11.00—11.30
V. POLITICS, FROM DEMOCRATIC CENTRALISM TO PLURALIST DEMOCRACY
Moderated by Daniela Kolenovská
11.30–13.30

Lubomír Kopeček – The Party as an Instrument of the Political Entrepreneur: Czech Examples in a Comparative Perspective
Seán Hanley – Democratic Quality and Democracy Stability in Central Europe since 1989: An Increasingly Uncertain Relationship?
Tim Haughton – Communism, Crowns and Campaigning: Charting the Development of Czech Party Politics Since 1989
Adéla Gjuričová – Seen from Elsewhere: The November Revolution from the Perspective of Political Institutions
Zdeněk Kühn – From Socialist Legality to the Rule of Law, or, From Class Justice to Legal Thicket?

Lunch Break
13.30–15.00

VI. SOCIETY IN THE STRUGGLE OVER THE (COMMunist) PAST, OR, HOW TO COME TO TERMS WITH COMING TO TERMS?
Moderated by Ondřej Matějka
15.00–17.00

Françoise Mayer – The Reception of Karel Bartošek’s Les Aveux des archives in France in 1996
Milan Znoj – The Promises and Failures of Theories of Totalitarianism
Klára Pinerová – Legislation on Participants in the Resistance and Opposition to Communism as an Expression of Transition History
Jaroslav Cuhra – A Failed Attempt at an All-encompassing Story
Jan Pauer – Coming to Terms with Communism, between Politics, Ideology, and Reflection

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