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Central Museum of the armed forces, Moscow

International Conference:

“A People’s History of the Cold War: Motives, Spaces and Fates of Actors on the Fronts of the Cold War in Central Europe from the 1940s to the 1960s“

Location: Assembly hall of the Protestant Primary School Potsdam, Große Weinmeisterstraße 18, 14469 Potsdam

Registration and catering: Leistikowstraße Memorial Potsdam, Leistikowstraße 1, 14469 Potsdam (next door)

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Monday, 11 April 2022 (Registration from 8.30 a.m.)

9.00 - 10.00 a.m. Curator’s tour of the Leistikowstraße Memorial in German and English

10.00 - 10.30 a.m. Welcome and Introduction: Dr. Ines Reich | Prof. Dr. Andreas Hilger [online] | Prof. Dr. Barbara Stelzl-Marx [online] | Dr. Anna Kaminsky

10.30 - 12.00 a.m. Panel I: Intelligence agencies in the Cold War. Framework and Culture of Remembrance

Chair: Christoph Meißner, Berlin

Wolfgang Krieger, Marburg: Intelligence History and History of the Cold War

Julia Landau, Weimar: The Narratives of the Contemporary Witnesses

Katharina Wyss, Berlin: Fictions in Literature and Films

12.30 - 2.00 p.m. Lunch break

2.00 - 4.00 p.m. Panel II: “Battlefields“ and Operations, part 1

Chair: Dieter Bacher, Graz

Matthias Uhl, Moscow: US Intelligence: “Redsocks“ and other Operations [online]

Andreas Weigelt, Lieberose: Intelligence Residents and State Security in the Cold War

Władysław Bułhak, Warsaw | Paweł Skubisz, Szczecin: Western Espionage in Poland: The Brothers Koy

4.00 - 4.30 p.m. Coffee Break

4.30 - 6.00 p.m. Panel II: “Battlefields“ and Operations, part 2

Chair: Rüdiger Bergien, Berlin

Helmut Müller-Enbergs, Berlin: The German-German Intelligence War 1950-1953. The Example of Wilhelm Zaisser

Prokop Tomek, Prague: Intelligence Agencies of the ČSR in the Cold War

6.30 p.m. Dinner

Tuesday, 12 April 2022 (Registration from 9.30 a.m.)

10.00 - 11.30 a.m. Panel III: Motives and Constraints for Intelligence Activity: Agents on Behalf of Others and/or Oneself, part 1

Chair: Dieter Bacher, Graz

Ines Reich, Potsdam: The “Johannes Fail“: Informers of the Organisation Gehlen in the Catches of Soviet Counterintelligence

Bodo Hechelhammer, Berlin: The Case of the Double Agent Heinz Felfe

Siegfried Beer, Graz: Spy, Scholar and Artist: The Three Careers of Ladislav Bittmann

12.00 – 1.30 p.m. Lunch break

1.30 – 3.00 p.m. Panel III: Motives and Constraints for Intelligence Activity: Agents on Behalf of Others and/or Oneself, part 2

Chair: Michael Wala, Bochum

Philipp Lesiak, Graz: Austrians and Czech Intelligences [online]

Paul Maddrell, Loughborough: Motives, Espionage and Fates of the Spies of the Western Intelligence Services in the Cold War in East Germany [online]

Enrico Heitzer, Oranienburg: Informers of the Fightinggroup against Inhumanity (Kampfgruppe gegen Unmenschlichkeit)

3.30 – 4.00 p.m. Coffee break

4.00 – 6.00 p.m. Panel IV: Divided Loyalties? Emigration, Remigration and Intelligence Services

Chair: Gerhard Sälter, Berlin

Magdolna Baráth, Budapest: The Emigrants' Organisation “Comrades Association of the Hungarian Fighters“ [online]

Dieter Bacher, Graz: Migration and Intelligence Services in Early Cold War Austria

Pavel Polian, Freiburg i. Br.: Hunting for Spies: Repatriation and Filtration

6.00 p.m. Snack

7.30 – 9.00 p.m. Panel discussion: Motives, Spaces and Fates of Actors on the fronts of the Cold War in Central Europe from the 1940s to the 1960s

Moderator: Armin Wagner, Potsdam

Jochen Fiedler, Bamberg | Rainer von zur Mühlen, Bonn

Thomas Wegener Friis, Odense | Dieter Bacher, Graz | Axel Drecoll, Oranienburg

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