

**Revisiting South Eastern Europe:
Comparative Social History of the 19th and 20th Centuries**

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in cooperation with:
Centre for Advanced Study, Sofia
Univerza na Primorskem, Koper
Central European University, Budapest

Organisation

Venue

The conference takes place in the conference room of the “Haus der Geschichte des Ruhrgebiets” in Bochum. This institution is not located at the university campus (in the city’s south), but rather in the city center, vis-à-vis the theater (‘Schauspielhaus’), which, should you be in doubt, every Bochum citizen will know how to direct you to. The nearest underground tramway station also is called ‘Schauspielhaus’. A limited number of parking spaces is available near the ‘Haus der Geschichte’. For those arriving by train, the venue place is located in less than ten minutes walking distance, taking the rear exit of the main station. A map is available at the homepage of the Institute for social movements (www.rub.de/isb, link ‘Anfahrt’).

Accommodation

For all participants rooms have been reserved in the Hotels Plaza and Tucholsky. The location of these two hotels can equally be seen on the map mentioned above, or directly at www.plaza-bochum.de or www.art-hotel-tucholsky.de. Both accommodation and breakfast will be covered by the conference organizers. Should you not need any accommodation, or should your need for accommodation not coincide with the duration of the conference, i. e. from Thursday, 25th to Sunday, 28th, please let us know.

Catering

Lunches and dinners will be provided by the organizers, starting with a dinner buffet following the opening lecture on Thursday evening, and finishing with a small joint lunch at the conference’s conclusion. In between, tables will be reserved at restaurants near the Institute and hotels.

Travelling

Travel expenses will be reimbursed by the organizers, specifically: second class train fares and economy class airfares. We would like to urgently ask you to use all applicable price reductions when travelling by train (BahnCard etc.), and book your air connections as early as possible, possibly using lowcost carriers. The nearest airports are Dortmund, Düsseldorf, and Köln/Bonn. Connections from these airports to Bochum can be found under www.bahn.de. Do not hesitate to ask for help in organizing your trip. In the conference folders, you will find a travel expenses form. This you should fill in – you just need to state your travelling route and bank account no. – and send it, together with the original tickets and receipts, to the organizers. You will be reimbursed within short notice.

Conference folders

Conference folders will be prepared, containing name tags, programme, list of participants, and further information.

Papers

The deadline for submitting the papers (with or without notes, but a completed text) the panel contributions will be based upon is **Christmas 2006**. The texts should be send via e-mail to sabine.rutar@ruhr-uni-bochum.de, and will then be put on the web as a pdf-file.

Panel contributions

The oral presentations in the course of the conference should be kept short – no longer than 15 minutes. Please do take this time scheme seriously. Summarize the main threads of your argument for oral presentation. The space foreseen for discussion should indeed be used for this purpose. The chair persons are advised to see to keeping with the schedule quite strictly, as to provide for using the time intended for discussion indeed as such. The oral presentations should only serve as a reminder of what everybody has already read in advance. They should give an overview of the main arguments and theses. During the discussions, for which an hour and a half after each section is reserved, we can go into detail, working on establishing comparative threads.

Technical devices (overhead, beamer, even blackboard) will be available. Should you wish to employ a beamer, please let us know in advance.

Further information

For any question, comment, or information please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Sabine Rutar at the Institut für soziale Bewegungen: sabine.rutar@ruhr-uni-bochum.de, Tel. +49.234.32-22626.