

THE PRAGUE FORUM FOR ROMANI HISTORIES

Workshop: Forced Sterilization of Romani Women in the Czech(oslovak) and European Contexts: Past and Present

12 June 2018, Prague

Location: New York University in Prague

(Richterův dům / Richter House, Malé náměstí 11, Prague 1, 1st floor)

Programme:

9:30 – 10:00

Welcome and brief introduction of participants

(chair: Kateřina Čapková, Institute of Contemporary History, Czech Academy of Sciences)

10:00 – 11:00

Angéla Kóczé (Central European University, Budapest)

(chair: Kateřina Čapková)

11:00 – 11:15 coffee break

11:15 – 12:15

Maija Runcis (Stockholm University)

(chair: Eszter Varsa, University of Regensburg)

12:15 – 13:15 lunch (NYU in Prague)

13:15 – 14:15

Celia Donert (University of Liverpool)

(chair: Krista Hegburg, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum)

14:15 – 14:30 coffee break

14:30 – 15:30

Edit Szénássy (Institute of Sociology, Czech Academy of Sciences)

(chair: Helena Sadílková, Faculty of Arts, Charles University)

15:30 – 16:00 Concluding debate

(chair: Helena Sadílková)

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Speakers



Celia Donert is senior Lecturer at the History Department, University of Liverpool. She works on contemporary European history with research interests in the history of state socialism, social movements, and the history of human rights. Her first book *The Rights of the Roma: The Struggle for Citizenship in Postwar Czechoslovakia* on the social history of the Roma in twentieth-century Czechoslovakia as a struggle over citizenship rights in a socialist welfare state, was published with Cambridge University Press in 2017. From 2017 she is the Principal Investigator of the AHRC Research Network on Legacies of the Roma Genocide in Europe since 1945.



Angéla Kóczé is Assistant Professor of Romani Studies and Academic Director of the Roma Graduate Preparation Program at Central European University, Budapest. She has published several peer-reviewed academic articles and book chapters with various international presses including *Palgrave Macmillan*, *Ashgate*, and *Central European University Press*. She is currently preparing a monograph on the political activism and social struggles of Romani women in Europe as well as an edited volume that takes stock of the contemporary situation and identity struggle of Europe's Romani minority.



Maija Runcis is associate professor in history at Stockholm University, Sweden. Her research has primarily focused on the Swedish welfare state and Swedish social policies from the perspective of minorities such as children of poorer families and immigrants. She has also researched and published articles about family politics in former Soviet regions. Maija Runcis is currently working in a research project on migration, postmemory and oral history.



Edit Szénássy is a social anthropologist currently finishing her PhD (Charles University, Prague) on Romani fertility, reproductive decision-making and population politics. She has conducted several ethnographic and applied qualitative researches with marginalized populations around east-central Europe and her special area of interest is the intersection of reproduction, health and poverty. She is currently involved in a research project analyzing employment opportunities for marginalized people at the Prague-based research institute SPOT as well as in a qualitative study mapping the working conditions of academics at the Institute of Sociology of the Academy of

Sciences of the Czech Republic.