

We are delighted to invite you to a workshop organised as part of Genealogies of Memory in Central and Eastern Europe seminar series, co-organised by the Social Memory Laboratory (Institute of Sociology, University of Warsaw), European Network Remembrance and Solidarity, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology (Polish Academy of Sciences), and Kultura Liberalna Foundation.



The workshop is accompanied by the work on a two-volume study *Trudne rozliczenie z przeszłością* (Dealing with a Difficult Past) by the Scholar Publishing House as well as a dedicated section in *East European Politics and Societies* edited by Wojciech Sadurski, Jarosław Kuisz and Karolina Wigura.

The workshop will be held in English.

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***Dealing with a Difficult Past:
Poland's Transitional Justice in a Comparative Perspective***
October 19th, 4.00 – 7.30 PM, IFIS PAN, Warsaw, ul. Nowy Świat 72, room 154

Agenda:

3.30 – 4 PM: Participants' registration

4 – 5.30 PM: 28 years of transitional justice in Poland

Panelists: Aleks Szczerbiak, Michał Łuczewski, Karolina Wigura

Chair: Joanna Wawrzyniak

5.30 – 5.45 PM: Coffee break

5.45 – 7.15 PM: Alternative languages of transitional justice: Poland and Hungary

Panelists: Kriszta Kovacs, Jarosław Kuisz

Chair: Małgorzata Głowacka – Grajper

Participants:

Małgorzata Głowacka-Grajper is a social anthropologist, she recently published *Trasmisja Pamięci. Działacze „sfery pamięci” i przekaz o Kresach Wschodnich we współczesnej Polsce* [Memory Transmission. 'Memory spheres' activists and the message about the Eastern borderlands in contemporary Poland] (2016). She works at Warsaw University's Institute of Sociology.

Michał Łuczewski is a sociologist, Assistant Professor at Warsaw University's Institute of Sociology and Associate Director of the Centre for the Thought of John Paul II. He published several books, e.g. *Odwieczny naród. Polak i katolik w Żmijącej* [The Eternal nation. Pole-Catholic in Żmijąca] (2012), which was awarded Stanisław Ossowski Prize and Józef Tischner Prize.

Kriszta Kovacs is an Associate Professor of Constitutional Law at the European Studies Department at ELTE University, Budapest. She is also a senior adviser to the former President of the Hungarian Constitutional Court, and co-president of the Joint Council on Constitutional Justice (Venice Commission, Council of Europe).

Jarosław Kuisz is Assistant Professor at the Law and Administration Faculty (University of Warsaw) and Marie Curie Fellow at SAXO Institute (University of Copenhagen). He authored *Charakter prawny porozumień sierpniowych 1980-1981* (The Legal Character of the August Agreements). He is working on the legal propaganda in early years of Polish People's Republic.

Aleks Szczerbiak is a Professor of Politics and Contemporary European Studies at the University of Sussex. He is author of *Poland Within the European Union: New Awkward Partner or New Heart of Europe?* (Routledge, 2012). He is currently working on a monograph on the politics of transitional justice in post-communist Poland.

Joanna Wawrzyniak, head of Social Memory Laboratory (Institute of Sociology, University of Warsaw). She authored *Veterans, Victims and Memory* (2015), and co-authored *The Enemy on Display: The Second World War in Eastern European Museums* (2015). She co-conveyed the Genealogies of Memory program since 2011.

Karolina Wigura is Assistant Professor at University of Warsaw's Institute of Sociology and head of the Observatory of Public Debate of Liberal Culture. Her book *Wina narodów. Przebaczenie jako strategia prowadzenia polityki* [The Guilt of Nations. Forgiveness as a Political Strategy] was awarded Józef Tischner prize.

