



EUROZINE

22nd European Meeting of Cultural Journals

European histories

Vilnius, 8–11 May 2009

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Friday 8 May

19.30

Opening

Presidential Palace, Vilnius (Prezidentūra)

Welcome addresses and inaugural speeches

Valdas Adamkus (President of the Republic of Lithuania);

Carl Henrik Fredriksson (*Eurozine*);

Almantas Samalavicius (*Kultūros barai*);

Rolandas Kvietkauskas (*Vilnius: European Capital of Culture 2009*)

Opening speech

Antonin J. Liehm (writer and founder of *Lettre Internationale*, Czech Republic/France)

Buffet

Hosted by the President of the Republic of Lithuania

The 22nd European Meeting of Cultural Journals is organized by **eurozine** and

Saturday 9 May

10.00–12.15

Conference session 1
Vilnius University

European histories 1: 1945 **Balancing the books**

Keynote speech: Timothy Snyder (historian, Yale University, USA)

Chair: Arne Ruth (writer and journalist, Sweden)

Panellists:

Leonidas Donskis (philosopher and political scientist, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania);

Dina Khapaeva (historian, St Petersburg University, Russia);

Slawomir Sierakowski (Editor in Chief, *Krytyka Polityczna*, Poland)

12.30

Lunch

14.00–16.00

Conference session 2
Vilnius University

European histories 2: 1989 **Dilemma '89**

Speeches and panel discussion

Chair: Thorsten Schilling (Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung, Germany)

Speakers and panellists:

Martin Simecka (former Editor in Chief of *Respekt*, Czech Republic);

Eszter Babarczy (writer and translator, Hungary);

Mircea Vasilescu (Editor in Chief of *Dilema veche*, Romania)

16.00

Coffee

16.30–18.00

Workshops 1
Vilnius University

Parallel workshops:

a) Aesthetics post '89

What impact did '89 have on architecture, literature, art, music?

Chair: Wojciech Przybylski (*Res Publica Nowa*, Poland)

b) Memorial: The war of memories

With participation of the Memorial group

Chair: Ansgar Gilster (*Osteuropa*, Germany)

Irina Sherbakova (*Memorial*, Russia)

Evening

Dinner

Sunday 10 May

10.00–12.15

Conference session 3
Vilnius University

European histories 3

Jewish life and thought in eastern Europe

Speeches and panel discussion

Chair: Ray Brandon (*Osteuropa*, Germany/USA)

Speakers and panellists:

Irena Veisaite (theatre critic, Lithuania);

Marci Shore (historian and author of *Caviar and Ashes*, Yale University, USA);

Zinovy Zinik (Writer, UK/Russia)

12.30

Lunch

14.00–15.30

Workshops 2
Vilnius University

Parallel workshops:

c) The impossible community

On *Gulliver* and other adventures in transnational publishing

Chair: Roman Schmidt (*crossXwords*, France/Germany)

d) Ghetto

Film screening

2006 film by Audrius Juzenas (director) and Joshua Sobol (writer)

15.30

Coffee

16.00–17.30

Internal session
Vilnius University

Eurozine – past, present and future

Network discussion

Chair: Carl Henrik Fredriksson (*Eurozine*)

Eurozine Partners

19.30

Closing dinner
Verkiu Palace

Closing address

Remigijus Vilkaitis (Minister of Culture, Lithuania)

Closing speech

Kornelijus Platelis (writer, Lithuania)

Dinner

Monday 11 May

Optional

Visit to the Vilna Gaon Jewish State Museum, the Jonas Mekas Visual Arts Center and other sites