

Thursday, 21 October 2010

EASTERN BLOC

9.00–9.10 – Opening of the Conference

9.10–12.30 – Session I: Soviet Union

Chair – Dr Łukasz Kamiński (Poland)

- Prof. Mark Kramer (USA) – The Soviet Union, the Warsaw Pact and the Polish crisis of 1980–1981
- Prof. Anthony Kemp-Welch (Great Britain) – The Soviet responses to “Solidarity”, 1980–1989
- Petre Iskenderov (Russia) – Influence of “Solidarity” movement on the Soviet state and public opinion
- Dr Miklos Mitrovits (Hungary) – Attitude of the Soviet authorities to the Polish crisis. Why Soviet Army did not intervene in Poland, 1980–1981?
- Dr Levan Berdzenishvili (Georgia) – “Solidarity” in Gulag and among dissidents
- Doc. Natalia Minenkova (Ukraine) – “Solidarity” and the Ukrainian dissident movement
- Prof. Olena Shanovska (Ukraine) – Impact of opposition’s political culture in Poland and Ukraine on the result of resistance to Communist regimes
- Zbigniew Wojnowski (Great Britain) – Beneficiaries and benefactors: Polish “Solidarity” and Soviet patriotism in Ukraine, 1980–1982

14.30–17.45 – Session II: Satellite states

Chair – Dr Alfred Reisch (Hungary)

- Prof. Kostadin Grozev (Bulgaria) – The “Solidarity” movement in the files of the Bulgarian Secret Services, 1979–1981
- Dr Ion Constantin (Romania) – Romanians and “Solidarity”
- Dr Jarosław Tarasiński (Poland) – East German response for the rise and activity of “Solidarity” Trade Union
- Dr Bernd Schaefer (Germany) – The East German Stasi, the Catholic Church, and “Solidarity”, 1978–1989
- Dr Petr Blažek (Czech Republic) – Czechoslovakia and “Solidarity”, 1980–1982
- Dr János Tischler (Hungary) – Response of Hungarian authorities and opposition to “Solidarity”, 1980–1982
- Mihaela Toader (Romania) – “Solidarity” in Romanian exile press

- Dr Marek Czerwiński (Poland) – Events in Poland 1980–1981 as seen by Soviet, Czechoslovakian and East German press

18.00–19.30 – Roundtable discussion on structures and organizations supporting the “Solidarity” from abroad, part I

Mirosław Chojecki (Poland), Marcin Frybes (chair, France), Adam Kiernik (Poland), Jolanta Nitowska (Mexico), Joanna Pilarska (Poland), Jakub Świąćicki (Sweden)

Friday, 22 October 2010

WESTERN EUROPE

9.00–13.00 – Session III: Western Europe, part I

Chair – Dr Peter Oprea (Romania)

- Prof. Gerhard Besier (Germany) – Dual strategy of the Federal Republic of Germany: help for “Solidarity” and political support for Jaruzelski
- Dr José María Faraldo (Spain) – Spain and “Solidarity”: peculiarities of reception, consequences of exile
- Dr Janina Osses-Frei (Austria) – Austrian help for “Solidarity” at the beginning of 1980s
- Prof. Maria Pasztor (Poland) – Italian trade union movement and “Solidarity” (August 1980 – July 1983)
- Prof. Jacek Tebinka (Poland) – The policy of the government of Margaret Thatcher towards Poland, 1980–1989
- Marek Kunicki-Goldfinger (Poland) – Activity of the French Committee “Solidarité” France-Pologne and the involvement of the French society for Poland and “Solidarity”, 1980–1990
- Christie Miedema (Holland) – “De Polen hebben u broodnodig”: Dutch solidarity with “Solidarity” and the “Solidarity” Information Desk in Amsterdam
- Alexandra Gerota (France) – The “Solidarity” movement in French public opinion, 1980–1989
- Dominik Pick (Poland) – Federal Republic of Germany and “Solidarity”. Response of social Democrats and trade unions in West Germany at the creation of “Solidarity” and the martial law in Poland
- Kamil Dworaczek (Poland) – The Independent Students’ Association’s contacts with foreign students’ organizations, 1980–1981
- Dr Patryk Pleskot (Poland) – Powerful gestures, modest deeds. French diplomacy towards „Solidarity”, 1980–1989

15.00–19.30 – Session IV: Western Europe, part II

Chair – Dr hab. Paweł Jaworski (Poland)

- Dr Kim Christiaens (Belgium) – Ground for cooperation? The International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU) and the World Confederation of Labour (WCL) towards the emergence, suspension and ban of “Solidarity”, 1980–1989
- Prof. Idesbald Goddeeris (Belgium) – The International Labour Organization and “Solidarity”
- Dr Bernd Rother (Germany) – Mixed feelings: West European Social Democrats’ reaction to “Solidarity”
- Dr Robert Brier (Germany) – “Communism is Fascism”: Western intellectual responses to the Polish crisis, 1981–1982
- Prof. Klaus Misgeld (Sweden) – A complicated solidarity: the Swedish labour movement and “Solidarity”
- Dr Stefan Ekecrantz (Sweden) – Understanding “Solidarity” – ideological interpretations of Swedish activists, 1980–1981

Chair – Prof. Klaus Misgeld (Sweden)

- Prof. Karl Molin (Sweden) – Making sense of the Polish Crisis. Swedish diplomats and the „Solidarity” movement, 1980–1981
- Dr hab. Paweł Jaworski (Poland) – Sweden facing the martial law in Poland
- Prof. Bent Boel (Denmark) – Denmark and solidarity with “Solidarity” 1980–1989 – so close and yet so far?
- Dr Jussi Jalonen (Finland) – Solidarity, finlandization and realpolitik: the Finnish attitudes towards the Polish labour movement in the 1980s
- Dr Frank Georgi (France) – Autogestion: the myth of self-managing socialism and the “French enthusiasm” for “Solidarity”
- Dr Andrzej Grajewski (Poland) – Holy See and the “Solidarity” movement, 1980–1989

Saturday, 23 October 2010

COUNTRIES OUTSIDE EUROPE AND POLISH IMMIGRATION

9.00–13.00 – Session V: Countries outside Europe

Chair – Dr Patryk Pleskot (Poland)

- Prof. Jakub Tyszkiewicz (Poland) – U.S. policy towards Poland, 1980–1989
- Dr Gregory Domber (USA) – The National Endowment of Democracy and American support networks for “Solidarity”, 1984–1989
- Marcin Frybes (France) – Americans and “Solidarity”, 1980–1989. Lane Kirkland and trade union AFL-CIO, POMOST social movement and committees CSSO, KPA and president Ronald Reagan’s administration members – what joined them together?
- Prof. Bernard Cook (USA) – The Catholic Church in the United States and “Solidarity”
- Eric Chenoweth (USA) – The role of the AFL-CIO in assisting “Solidarity”: financial, moral and political
- Fatih Tokatli (Turkey) – “Solidarity” as seen from Turkey: democracy, state and Turkish intellectual political debate around Poland
- Dr Małgorzata Bonikowska (Canada) – Social and political reactions to Solidarity in Canada
- Prof. Rakesh Batabyal (India) – Countering hegemony: location of Polish “Solidarity” movement in the memory of Indians
- Przemysław Gasztold-Seń (Polska) – Arabian countries and “Solidarity”
- Prof. Péter Vámos (Hungary) – The “Solidarity” movement and China, 1980–1989

15.00–17.40 – Session VI: Polish Immigration

Chair – Dr Krzysztof Persak (Poland)

- Dr hab. Joanna Wojdon (Poland) – Polish Americans’ attitude to “Solidarity”, 1980–1989
- Dr Piotr Kardela (Poland) – The Association of Polish Veterans of World War II in the U.S. and “Solidarity”
- Dr Patryk Polec (Canada) – Accepting and accommodating change: the “Solidarity” Movement and Solidarity-immigrants in Canadian and Polish-Canadian society, 1980–2005
- Prof. Krzysztof Tarka (Poland) – “Polish” London facing “Solidarity”, 1980–1981
- Dr Paweł Sowiński (Poland) – Smuggled literature. How immigration and the Western world helped to create underground publication market in the times of “Solidarity”
- Łukasz Paweł Wolak (Poland) – Polish Refugees Union in Germany facing Solidarity-immigrants
- Dr Janusz Wróbel (Poland) / Izabela Iwanowska (USA) – Polish and American Chicago facing the phenomenon of “Solidarity”, 1980–1989

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