

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON ROMANI ASYMMETRICAL DEPENDENCIES: ENTANGLEMENTS OF THE ROMA WITHIN THE EUROPEAN SOCIAL-POLITICAL CONTEXT. PAST AND PRESENT

HYBRID WORKSHOP
JUNE 6-7, 2023

THE BONN CENTER FOR DEPENDENCY AND SLAVERY STUDIES

hosts the Cluster of Excellence "Beyond Slavery and Freedom", which aims to overcome the binary opposition of "slavery versus freedom". We approach the phenomenon of slavery and other types of strong asymmetrical dependency from methodologically and theoretically distinct perspectives.

The International Workshop on Romani Asymmetrical Dependencies is dedicated to exploring asymmetrical relations and understanding co-dependencies between Romani populations and host societies within European socio-political context, in the long period between the 14th century and present day. In utilizing the formula 'Romani Asymmetrical Dependencies', the workshop intends to examine (in)effective mechanisms of social incorporation of the Roma, with a special interest and attention to the assessment and interpretation of their influence in local cultures as well as their role in the formation of collective identities (social, religious, political, national). Key topics of this event concern the societal, occupational and symbolic circumstances which have shaped the experiences of one of the oldest transnational minorities in the continent.

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by May 26, 2023 via [email](#).
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Tuesday, June 6, 2023

9:30 AM CEST

Welcome

Panel 1 – Shaping space

10:00 – 10:40 AM

Forgotten guests: Romani-German entanglements in the Holy Roman Empire, 1417-1497

Lane B. Baker
(Stanford University)

10:40– 11:20 AM

The “Gypsy Housing” in the Spain Franco’s dictatorship and the democratic transition: delinquency, insalubrity and immoral

Rafael Buhigas Jiménez
(Universidad Autónoma de Madrid)

11:20 –11:50 AM – Coffee Break

11:50 AM– 12:30 PM

Escaping Marginality: Instances of a social history of Roma in communist Romania

Manuela Marin
("George Barițiu" History Institute, Cluj-Napoca/
"Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu)

12:30 – 1:10 PM

Asymmetrical dependency as inclusion among Roma migrants in Oslo, Norway

Bjørn Hallstein Holte
(VID Specialized University, Oslo)

1:15 – 2:30 PM Lunch Break

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Panel 2 – Laboring Roma

2:30 – 3:10 PM

A famous Roma from 19th century Moldavia: Barbu the lute player

Laurențiu Rădvan
("Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași)

3:10 – 3:50 PM

Roma musical services in the context of semi-religious and secular assemblies. Transylvanian Romanian narratives from the second half of the 19th century

Marian Zăloagă
("Gheorghe Șincai" Research Institute, Târgu Mureș
/ "Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu)

3:50 –4:20 PM – Coffee Break

4:20 – 5:00 PM

Economic dependency, race, and industrial labor experiences: the case of Romania Roma in the 1970s

Mara Marginean
("Babes-Bolyai" University of Cluj-Napoca/ "George Barițiu" History Institute, Cluj-Napoca)

7:00 PM Dinner (for Speakers and Organizers only)

Wednesday, June 7, 2023

Panel 3 – Long lasting symbols

9:00 – 9:40 AM CEST

Understanding and legitimizing Gypsy slavery in traditional Romanian society - The Life of St. Gregory

Petre Matei
(Elie Wiesel National Institute for the Study of the Holocaust in Romania)

Wednesday, June 7, 2023

9:40 – 10:20 AM

From heroic rebels to criminal outcasts

Dmitry V. Shlapentokh
(Indiana University)

10:20 –10:50 AM – Coffee Break

10:50 AM – 11:30 AM

From Maria Severa to Maria Gil: a century of Romani representation in Portuguese visual culture

Mariana Sabino-Salazar
(University of Texas)

11:30 AM– 12:10 PM

Chaplin and The Circus. The pariah against the III. Reich

Ismael Cortés
(Member of Spanish Parliament; Independent Researcher)

12:10 – 1:30 PM Lunch Break

1:30 – 2:30 PM Final Discussion