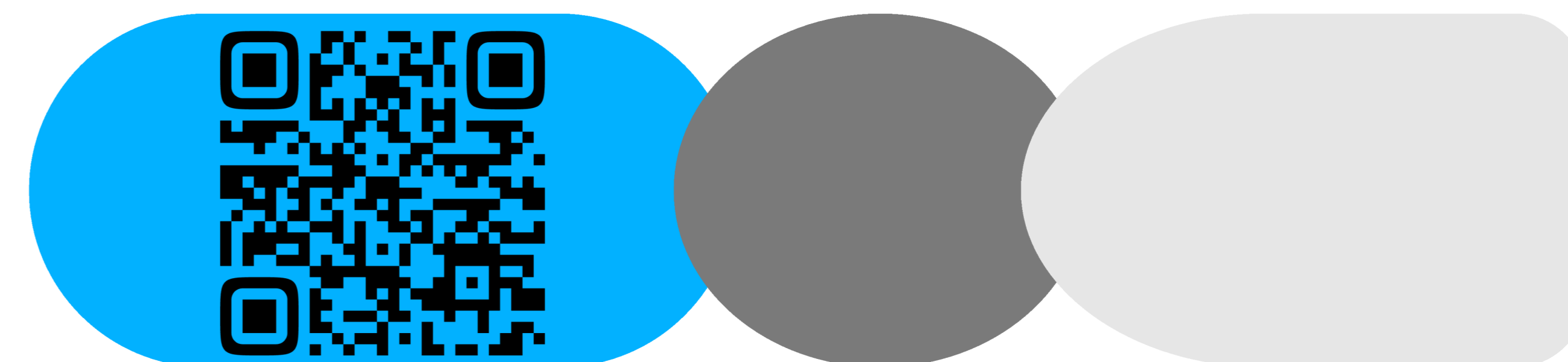


# (Post)colonialism and Race in Central and Eastern Europe (part two)

CENTRAL Workshop organized by the University of Warsaw, the University of Vienna, ELTE Budapest and Charles University Prague



## THURSDAY /// 12.03.2026

9:30–11:00

### Keynote Speaker

- **Jan Musekamp (German Historical Institute in Warsaw):**  
*"Global Color Lines" as Racist Boundaries:  
Global Migration from Eastern Europe in the Nineteenth Century*

- **Chair**  
Tomasz Zarycki (University of Warsaw)

### COFFEE BREAK

11:15–13:15

- **Jannis Panagiotidis (RECET):**  
*Ukrainian Experiences in German Job Centers*
- **Anton Saifullayeu (University of Warsaw):**  
*"Reverse Dependence" in Global Knowledge Regimes:  
Colonial Transfer and the Case of Belarus*
- **Daria Tashkinova (RECET):**  
*Thinking Postcolonially about the Late Soviet Baltics:  
Questions of Empire, Bureaucracy, and Power*
- **Iskra de Vries and Marta Gospodarczyk (University of Warsaw):**  
*Polemics on Polish Progressiveness and Patriotism:  
A Fanonian Reading of National Consciousness*

- **Chair:**  
Zsuzsanna Kiss (ELTE)

13:15–14:30

LUNCH AT THE WORKSHOP VENUE

14:30–16:20

- **Laura Plochberger (RECET):**  
*Center–Periphery Relations in the Habsburg Labor Movement:  
Bucovina Woodworkers in Viennese Labor Archives*
- **Nino Aivazishvili-Gehne (IOS Regensburg):**  
*Facets of "Being German" in Germany in the 1990s:  
Perspectives "from below"*
- **Gergely Magos (ELTE):**  
*Race and Ethnicity in Hungarian Medical Discourse*

- **Chair:**  
Márkus Keller (ELTE)

### COFFEE BREAK

16:45–18:30

- **Naum Trajanovski (University of Warsaw):**  
*Post-Earthquake Reconstruction of Skopje:  
Race, Politics, and Cold War Interactions in the Late 1960s*
- **Andrzej Turkowski (Copenhagen Business School):**  
*The Inconveniences of Putting on "Western Suits":  
Europeanization, Knowledge Hierarchies, and Peripheral Agency in the EU*
- **Jan Dawidowicz (University of Warsaw):**  
*Enlightening the "Unmodern":  
Symbolic Violence and Legitimation of Modernity from Stalinism to Post-Socialism*

- **Chair:**  
Zofia Rohozińska (University of Warsaw)

19:00

DINNER  
RESTAURANT, FALLA,  
OBOŻNA 9, 00-332 WARSAW

## FRIDAY /// 13.03.2026

9:30–11:00

- **Zsombor Bódy (ELTE):**  
*Socialist Travel Literature beyond Solidarity:  
Perceptions of Non-European Landscapes in Hungarian-Language  
Travelogues*
- **Mikuláš Pešta (Charles University):**  
*Betrayal of Socialist Internationalism?  
Europeanization in the Student Movement and Global Solidarity*
- **Csenge Faur (ELTE):**  
*CEE Socialist Housing Models in the "Third World"*

- **Chair:**  
Jakub Szumski (Imre Kertész Kolleg Jena, Friedrich Schiller University Jena)

### COFFEE BREAK

11:15–12:45

- **Vojtěch Šimák (Charles University):**  
*Solidarity through Arms:  
Czechoslovak Military Support to Independence Movements in  
Africa*
- **Goran Musić (RECET):**  
*"Socialist Servants":  
Domestic Workers in Yugoslav Expat Households in Zambia*
- **Jan Koura (Charles University):**  
*White Saviorism from the East?  
Czechoslovak Experts in Nkrumah's Ghana*

- **Chair:**  
Zachary Mazur (Museum of the History of Polish Jews POLIN)

13:00

LUNCH  
CAFETERIA AT KAZIMIERZ PALACE /  
"PAŁAC KAZIMIERZOWSKI" MAIN CAMPUS.

## ABOUT

This workshop examines how postcolonial and critical race perspectives can be applied to the historical and contemporary experiences of Central and Eastern Europe. While often positioned outside classical colonial frameworks, the region has been deeply embedded in imperial formations, global power hierarchies, and racialized regimes of knowledge.

Focusing on migration, labor, socialism, and post-socialist transformations, the workshop explores center–periphery relations and transnational entanglements that have shaped social, political, and cultural imaginaries across the region. By situating Central and Eastern Europe within broader global debates on colonialism and race, the workshop seeks to foster interdisciplinary dialogue and develop more reflexive frameworks for understanding Europe's past and present.

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