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Central and Eastern Europe in the 20th Century  
Historical Experiences in Comparison

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Spatial Integration and Communication  
in 20th Century Central and Eastern Europe

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## CHALLENGES OF MODERNITY

### Spatial Integration and Communication in 20th Century Central and Eastern Europe

Friday // June 15th // 2012

14:00 // Welcome

14:10 // Panel I: Concepts of Modernity

14:10 // **Andrew C. Janos**, Berkeley: Social Change and History: A Journey from Pre- to Postmodernity

14:30 // **Michal Pullmann**, Prague: State Socialism as a Specific Modernity? Stabilizing and Self-Destructive Tendencies

14:50 // **Joachim v. Puttkamer**, Jena: Mastery of Space and the Crises of Modernity in Eastern Europe

15:10 // Discussion

Chair: **Ferenc Laczó**, Jena

16:00 // Coffee/tea break

16:30 // Panel II: Integration of Empires? Transport and Communication before World War I

16:30 // **Anna Veronika Wendland**, Marburg / Giessen: East Central European Modernity and the Urban Experience

16:50 // **Ivan Jakubec**, Prague: The Building of Railway Network and Network of River Channels in Habsburg Monarchy: Integration or Disintegration

17:10 // **Iosif Marin Balog**, Cluj: Regionalism, Economic Integration and/or Modernization? The Role of Infrastructure for Transport and Communications in the Case of Transylvania 1850-1914

17:30 // Discussion

Chair: **Włodzimierz Borodziej**, Warsaw / Jena

Saturday // June 16th // 2012

10:00 // Panel III: Widening Gaps? Rural and Urban Spaces in the Interwar Period

10:00 // **Gábor Gyáni**, Budapest: Image and Reality of a Splitting Country: The Case of Hungary

10:20 // **Markus Krzoska**, Giessen: Discourses of Modernization in the Second Polish Republic and the Attempts to form a New Regional Development Planning

10:40 // **Stanislav Holubec**, Jena: The Attempted and Failed Discursive Integration of Subcarpathian Rus to Czechoslovakia

11:00 // Discussion

Chair: **Joachim von Puttkamer**, Jena

12:00 // Lunch Break

13:30 // Panel IV: Urbanizing the Village – Ruralizing the Cities? Spatial Development under Socialism

13:30 // **Błażej Brzostek**, Warsaw: The Ruralizing of Bucharest and Warsaw in the First Postwar Decade

13:50 // **Dagmara Jajeśniak-Quast**, Leipzig: Nowa Huta, Eisenhüttenstadt and Kunčice in the First Decade of the State Socialism. Between Proletarianization and Ruralization of the New Cities.

14:10 // **Sándor Horváth**, Budapest: Urban Villagers and Patterns of Migration in Hungarian 'Socialist Cities' (Budapest and Sztálinváros)

14:30 // Discussion

Chair: **Bogdan Murgescu**, Bucharest

15:30 // Coffee/tea break

16:00 // Panel V: Disintegration and Integration: Eastern Europe after 1989

16:00 // **Martin Myant**, Paisley: Has Neo-liberalism triumphed in Eastern Europe?

16:20 // **Jacek Kochanowicz**, Warsaw: A Moving Target or a Lost Illusion? East Central Europe in the Pursuit of the West

16:40 // **Béla Greskovits**, Budapest: Legacies, Perceptions, and the Diversity of Postsocialist Capitalism

17:00 // Discussion and Conclusion

Chair: **Béla Tomka**, Szeged / Jena