

Women's Organisations and Female Activists
in the Aftermath of the First World War:
Central and Eastern Europe in National, Transnational,
International and Global Context

An interdisciplinary, international conference
17th-19th May 2013

Venue:

MTA TK Szociológiai Intézet (Institute for Sociology, Centre for Social Sciences of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences)
Budapest, 1014 Országház utca (Street) 30. Jakobinus terem

Programme

Day 1 Friday, 17th May 2013

13.00-14.15: registration (coffee) near the Jakobinus Hall (Jakobinus-terem)

14.15-14.30: Welcome and opening remarks :

1. Attila Pók (Hungarian Academy of Sciences),
2. Ingrid Sharp (University of Leeds)

14.30-16.00: Panel 1 Revolutionary women (Chair: Péter Konok)

1. Matthew Stibbe (Sheffield Hallam University, UK) 'Revolution, Representation of Women and Visions of Socialism in Germany'
2. Olga Shnyrova, (Ivanova State University, Russia) 'On both sides of the lines: women's mobilization in Red Army and White Guard during the Civil War in Russia.'
3. Veronika Helfert, (University of Vienna, Austria) 'Revolting Women. Gender and Violence in the (Post)World-War-I Austria.'

16.00-16.30: Break

16.30-18.00 (Chair: Matthew Stibbe)

4. Tiina Lintunen (University of Turku, Finland) 'Unfit for Citizens - Red women's treatment after the Finnish Civil War in 1918.'
5. Florian Grafl (University of Giessen, Germany) 'Women activists in the time of Pistolerismo (1918-1923).'

18.00: drinks

19.00: meal in restaurant optional

Day 2 Saturday, 18th May 2013

08.30 – 9.15: Registration outside the Jakobinus Hall

Panel 2: Social Activism (Chair: Erika Kuhlman)

9.15-10.45: I: Within a national context

6. Brian K. Feltman (Georgia Southern University, US), ‘Give us back our Husbands and Sons! Women’s Activism and Prisoner of War Repatriation in Germany, 1918-1920.’
7. Ronit Fisher, ‘Mothers of the Nation? The role of Jewish Women’s organizations in the creation of the new National-Jewish communities in "Grater Romania" through gender and ethnic perspectives.’
8. Fabio Giomi (CETOBAC/EHESS, France), ‘“Standing on our legs”. Muslim Women and associational culture in Bosnia and Herzegovina 1919-1923.’

10.45-11.00: Break

11.00- 12.00: II: International/transnational context (Chair: Judit Acsády)

9. Erika Kuhlman (Idaho State University, US), ‘Pro-natal Movements and remilitarization in Interwar Europe.’
10. Fatima Mariano, Ana Paula Pires and Maria Fernanda Rollo (Contemporary History Institute of New University of Lisbon, Portugal), ‘The patriotic work of the Portuguese Women’s Crusade (1916-1938).’

12.00-13.45: LUNCH

12.45 -13.30: Keynote: Susan R. Grayzel (University of Mississippi, US), ‘Babies and Bombs and Reconstruction: Mothers face the Aftermath of War.’

14.00-16.00: Panel 3 Nationalism (Chair: Matthew Stibbe)

11. Virginja Jureniene (Vilnius University Kaunas, Lithuania), ‘Aspects of International Activity of Women of Lithuania after World War I.’
12. Seija-Leena Nevala-Nurmi (University of Tampere, Finland), ‘Lotta Svärd Organisation – national or international?’
13. Raul Carstocea (University College London, UK), ‘Women of the Archangel – Gender Roles in the “Legion of the Archangel Michael”, Romania’s Interwar Fascist Movement: Between Masculine Rhetoric and Emancipatory Activism.’
14. Larysa Zariczniak (University of Exeter, UK), ‘The role of the Ukrainian Women’s Union and Ukrainian Nationalism in the evolution of Ukrainian feminism during the interwar years.’

16.00-16.15: Break

16.15 – 17.45: Panel 4. Commemoration (Chair: Nikolai Vukov)

15. Pavlina Bobic (University of Birmingham, UK), ‘Commemorating Heroism: Religious Representation of Women in Slovenia during the Great War and in its aftermath’
16. Nikolai Vukov (Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia), ‘Mourning Realms with Forking Paths: Feminist and Military Recourses to the Commemoration of Dead in Bulgaria after World War I’
17. Alison Fell (University of Leeds, UK), ‘Gender and Sacrifice: The Commemoration of female war deaths in 1920s France and Britain.’

18.00: drinks receptions in the garden, sponsored by Legacies of War, University of Leeds.

18.30: Conference dinner in the Jakobinus Hall

19.00-19.45: Keynote: David Hudson, Hamline University, US ‘“American boys in Trotzky helmets”: Eleanor Franklin Egan Looking for America in the Great Russian Famine.’

Day 3 Sunday, 19th May 2013

9.00- 11.00: Panel 5 Hungary (Chair:Anna Borgos)

18. Dagmar Wernitznig, (University of Oxford, UK), 'Out of Place and Nowhere at Home: A Case Study of Rosika Schwimmer's Life and Work, 1918-1923.'
19. Judith Szapor (McGill University, Canada), 'The Women's Club of Countess Károlyi: Hungarian Women's Movements at the Crossroads.'
20. Balazs Sipos (Eotvos Lorand University, Budapest), 'Right Wing Feminists and Antifeminist Female Activists in post-war Hungary.'
21. Judit Acsady (Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest) 'Global Issues, Local Actions' - International Connections of the Feminist Association in Budapest 1918-23. '

Break: 11.00-11.30

11.30-13.00: Panel 6. Transnationalism/Pacifism (Chair: Ingrid Sharp)

22. Beryl Nicholson (Independent Scholar, UK), 'Moving on and building anew: a woman's experiences with the Society of Friends in Poland and Russia, 1920-1923.'
23. Maria DiCenzo (Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada), 'The "Thin Gold Link": The Role of the Women's Press in International Feminist Activism in the Aftermath of the First World War.'
24. Julie Gottlieb (University of Sheffield, UK) Suffrage 'British Women and the "European Encounter" : The Strengthening and Weakening of Transnational Networks.'

13.00-13.30 concluding remarks and conference close

Registration fee for Hungarian participants:

For the full conference program: 3000 HUF

One day: 2000 HUF

Registration is free for students and unemployed