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**Control and repressions of the totalitarian society:  
Research of the documents and its methodology,  
Great Amber, Liepāja, Latvia, 15-17 December, 2015,**

programme

Tuesday, December 15, 2015	
9:30	Departing from Riga
14:00	Liepāja Karostas ("war harbour" i.e. naval base) prison
15:30	<i>Blue wander</i> , Liepāja's KGB headquarter
16:00	Arriving to hotel
17:00 – 18:30	Public lecture and discussion. Dr. sc. pol. <b>Ivars Ījabs</b> . <i>Concept of totalitarianism in the Preamble of the Satversme (Constitution of the Republic of Latvia)</i>
19:00	Welcoming evening
Wednesday, December 16, 2015	
	Registration
9:30	Opening speeches Dr. habil. biol. <b>Indriķis Muīžnieks</b> , (Rector of the University of Latvia)
9:40	Dr. math. <b>Kārlis Šadurskis</b> , (Chair of the Budget and Finance (Taxation) Commission of the Parliament)
9:50	Dr. hist., Dr. hist. h. c. (LZA) <b>Kārlis Kangeris</b> , (Chair of the Government Commission for KGB Research)
	Plenary session. Chair Kārlis Kangeris
10:10 – 11:30	Dr. hist. <b>Meelis Maripuu</b> , (Estonian Institute of Historical Memory/Eesti Mälu Instituut). <i>Estonia's experience with declassified KGB documents</i> Dr. iur. <b>Kristīne Jarinovska</b> , (Vice-chair of the chair of the Government Commission for KGB Research) <i>Legal deficiencies in evaluating the Soviet totalitarian and bureaucratic authoritarian regime</i> Ph.D. <b>Geoffrey Swain</b> , (Honorary Professor Emeritus, University of Glasgow, former Alec Nove Professor of Russian and East European Studies. United Kingdom) <i>Working with NKVD Interrogation Records: Problems of Interpretation.</i> Dr. habil. philol., Dr. hist. <b>Boriss Sokolovs</b> (Russian Federation).

11:30 – 11:45

Coffee break

11:45 – 13:15

**Plenary session.** Chair Kristīne Jarinovska

Dr. hist. **Arunas Bubnys**, (The Genocide and Resistance Research Centre of Lithuania, Lietuvos gyventojų genocido ir rezistencijos tyrimo centras). *Legacy of the KGB in Lithuania: documents, availability, and the public perception*

Dr. hist. **Ritvars Jansons**, (The Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher). Activities of the security services of the Latvian SSR (1944 – 1956)

Dr. hist. **Gints Zelmenis**, (The Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher) *The KGB and political repressions in occupied Latvia within the eighties of the twenties century. Perspectives for research*

M. iur. **Juris Stukāns**, (The Government Commission for KGB Research, expert) *Legal and procedural aspects establishing the fact of collaboration with the KGB*

M. iur. **Linards Muciņš**, (The Government Commission for KGB Research, expert) *‘The Blue wander’ in Liepāja. Another place of crimes against ius cogens norms committed by the USSR during the occupation*

13:15 – 14:30

Lunch break

14:30 – 15:40

**Plenary session.** Chair Eva Eglāja-Kristsone

Dr. phil. **Solveiga Krūmiņa-Koņkova**, (Member of the Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher) *Collaboration between the LSSR KGB and the Representative of the Council for the Affairs of Religious Cults of the USSR in the LSSR (1944 – 1954)*

**Madara Brūnava**, (Stipendiary of the Government Commission for KGB Research). *Control of the religion in the LSSR. Example of small a Christian denomination (1956 – 1959)*

Dr.philol. **Eva Eglāja-Kristsone**, (The Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher). *Documents of the Committee for Cultural Relations with Countrymen Abroad of the LSSR within the collection of the Council of Ministers of the LSSR*

B. hist. **Marta Starostina**, (Stipendiary of the Government Commission for KGB Research). *Entertainment and cultural events for the Latvian exile tourists. All-Union state travel agency ‘Intourist’ and the Committee for Cultural Relations with Countrymen Abroad of the LSSR*

M. philol. **Agija Ābiķe-Kondrāte**, (Stipendiary of the Government Commission for KGB Research). *“Healthy recreation for workers!” When the sun in Riga and Jurmala is at zenith! The influence of the LSSR KGB and repressive institutions on providing healthcare, possibilities for creative work and recreation to representatives of creative professions*

B. philol. **Signe Raudive**, (Stipendiary of the Government Commission for KGB Research). *‘The young author’ versus ‘the new Soviet author’. The Activity of the Commission for Organization of the Work of Young Authors and the Union of Young Writers of the Union of the Latvian Soviet Writers (1945 – 1968)*

Dr. sc. comm. **Mārtiņš Kaprāns**, (Member of the Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher). *The censorship of mass media in the LSSR. The activity of ‘the Glavlit’ in the twenties century of sixties and seventies*

15:40 – 16:00

Coffee break

<p>16:00 – 17:15</p> <p>19:00</p>	<p>Plenary session. Chair Solveiga Krūmiņa-Koņkova</p> <p>Dr. hist. <b>Raimonds Cerūzis</b>, (Member of the Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher). <i>Decommunisation of Central and East Europe. Typical examples</i></p> <p>M. hist. <b>Artūrs Žvinklis</b>, (Member of the Government Commission for KGB Research, researcher). <i>The problems of the scientific research of the LSSR KGB personnel structure</i></p> <p>Dr. hist. <b>Jānis Taurēns</b>, (Member of the Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher). <i>Discussions on the problem of the heritage of the KGB since the re-establishment of the independence of the Republic of Latvia</i></p> <p>Liepāja's Concert hall "Lielais Dzintars"</p> <p>Nils Landgren and Latvian Radio Bigband</p> <p><i>Funky Christmas</i></p>
<p>Thursday, December 17, 2015</p>	
<p>10:00 – 11:10</p> <p>11:10 – 11:30</p> <p>11:30 – 12:40</p>	<p>Plenary session. Chair Mārtiņš Kaprāns</p> <p>Dr. hist. <b>Ineta Lipša</b>, (The Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher) <i>Surveillance and control of private life in the Latvian SSR using repressive mechanisms of the state</i></p> <p>Dr. iur. <b>Jānis Lazdiņš</b>, (Member of the Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher)</p> <p>Dr. iur. <b>Elīna Grigore-Bāra</b>, (The Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher). <i>Cases under the jurisdiction of the LSSR KGB</i></p> <p>Dr. hist. <b>Jānis Ķeruss</b> (Member of the Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher). <i>Escaping from the fishermen kolkhoz 'Boļševiks' of Liepaja by fishing boats (1952 – 1981). Motives, performance, reaction of the state institutions</i></p> <p><b>Anastasija Smirnova</b>, (Stipendiary of the Government Commission for KGB Research). <i>Nonviolent resistance of ethnic minorities migrated to Latvia to the Soviet regime reflected by the criminal cases of the LSSR KGB (1956 – 1968)</i></p> <p>B. hist. <b>Mārtiņš Dātavs</b>, (Stipendiary of the Government Commission for KGB Research). <i>Reflection of the criticism of Stalin in the criminal cases of the security services of the LSSR</i></p> <p>M. philol. <b>Kristīne Rotbaha</b>, (Stipendiary of the Government Commission for KGB Research). <i>The Valka Group of the Latvian National Youth Association's (LNJA) (1945). Memory heritage</i></p> <p>B. hist. <b>Agnija Ruhocka</b>, (Stipendiary of the Government Commission for KGB Research). <i>Activities of THE Bauska district department of the LSSR KGB and nonviolent resistance of locals (1954 – 1985)</i></p> <p>Coffee break</p> <p>Plenary session. Chair Jānis Lazdiņš</p> <p>Dr. hist. <b>Ainārs Bambals</b>, (Member of the Government Commission for KGB Research, senior researcher). <i>The Takeover process of the documents of the KGB of the USSR and the LSSR</i></p>

13:00 – 14:30

15:00

M. sc. comp. **Ilmārs Poikāns**, (The Government Commission for KGB Research, expert).

*Digitization of the documentary heritage reflecting The actions of the LSSR KGB*

B. hist. **Gatis Liepiņš**, (Member of the Government Commission for KGB Research, expert). *Analysis of the documents of the fund of the State Archive of Latvia of the*

*National Archive of Latvia 'Personal files on inhabitants of Latvia detained in the screening-filtration stations and camps of the USSR NKVD'*

M. hist. **Bonifācijs Daukšts**, (Member of the Government Commission for KGB

Research researcher). *Cooperation of the LSSR KGB and the Komsomol (1945 – 1964)*

Lunch break

Departing to Riga