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Karin Hofmeisterová is a post-doctoral researcher, lecturer in Holocaust Studies, and coordinator of the Malach Centre for Visual History at Charles University. Her research focuses primarily on religious institutions in Southeast Europe and their engagement in memory production. She has published in peer-reviewed journals and contributed to several edited volumes.

EDUCATION

2022 – Ph.D., International Area Studies, Charles University, Prague.

Thesis title: *The Serbian Orthodox Church`s Engagement in Memory Politics of Post-2000 Serbia: Memory of Suffering and Resistance.*

2014: M.A, Balkan, Eurasian, and Central European Studies, Charles University, Prague.

Thesis title: *The Serbian Orthodox Church under the Milošević`s Regime.* (defended with Deans distinction)

2011: B.A, International Area Studies, Charles University, Prague.

Thesis title: *The Depiction of National Stereotypes on the Bosnian War via Regional Cinematography.*

RESEARCH PROJECTS

2017 - 2021: "Beyond Hegemonic Narratives and Myths. Troubled Pasts in the History and Memory of East-Central & South-East Europe (BOHEMs)"

PRIMUS Research Programme (funded by Charles University): Junior researcher

2015 - 2018: "Orthodox Churches on the Threshold of the 21st Ct.: Case of Russia, Serbia and Greece"(funded by the Charles University Grant Agency): Principal investigator

WORK AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2022 – Lecturer in Holocaust Studies, Claims Conference University Partnership, Charles University.

2020 – [Malach Center for Visual History](#), Faculty of Mathematics and Physics, Charles University.

- Access point to digital video testimony archives to researchers, educators, students and wide public (VHA USC Foundation, Fortunoff Videoarchive, and others)

Coordinator and lecturer

2015 - 2020: Institute of International Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University

Courses: Contemporary Balkans, Balkans after 1989, Introduction into Social Sciences, Eastern Europe Today, Contemporary Issues, Religious and Cultural History of Southeastern Europe

Lecturer and student coordinator

2014 - 2020: Department of Russian and East European Studies, Charles University

PR & IT student assistant

2018-2019: HORIZON 2020, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Innovative Training Networks (H2020-MSCA-ITN-2020): the EU funding programme for research and innovation.

Assistant in the project applications:

- ***Contested Meanings of Movement*** (acronym ConMove)

- ***Making Sense of Migration in East-Central and Southeast Europe*** (acronym MASEMIG).

2019: Faculty of Philosophy, University of Rijeka

Guest lecturer

2016: Summer Seminar on Nationalism, Religion and Violence

Charles University, Prague – International Hellenic University, Thessaloniki

supported by the LSEE, PRIO and CEFRES

Student coordinator

2016: Jewish Museum in Prague

Guest lecturer

2016: Spring University Prague and Summer University Prague, Charles University

Lecturer

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

11/2020: Josef Hlávka Foundation

Awarded the prize for the best students and graduates.

10/2019-5/2020: University in Belgrade

Erasmus+ Credit mobility: exchange student fellowship

3/2019-6/2019: University of Graz

Visiting fellow at The Centre for Southeast European Studies

1/2019-2/2019: IOS Regensburg: Leibniz-Institut für Ost- und Südosteuropaforschung

Erasmus+ Practical placement

2016: The Anna and Jaroslav Krejčí Research Endowment

Awarded the prize for the best scientific work in integrated social science.

2016: Balkan Affairs Student Conference organized by The Czech Council on Foreign Relations (CCFR) in cooperation with the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Awarded the prize for the best research proposal.

2013-2014: University in Belgrade

Inter-university mobility: student fellowship

2012-2013: University College London

Erasmus: exchange student

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Czech: Native

English: Full professional proficiency

Serbian: Full professional proficiency (C2)

Croatian: Full professional proficiency

French: Working proficiency

German: Beginner level (A2-B1)

PUBLICATIONS

Hofmeisterová, K., J. Mlynář and J. Kocián (2022). "How "Tools" Produce "Data": Searching in a Large Digital Corpus of Audiovisual Holocaust Testimonies." In *Jewish Studies in the Digital Age*, edited by Gerben Zaagsma, Daniel Stökl Ben Ezra, Miriam Rürup, Michelle Margolis and Amalia S. Levi. Berlin, Boston: De Gruyter Oldenbourg.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2020). "The Emergence of the Serbian Orthodox Church from the Ashes of Yugoslav Socialism: Religion as a Chain of Martyrial Memory." In Malach Center for Visual History on its 10th Anniversary: Compendium of Papers of the Prague Visual History and Digital Humanities Conference 2020, edited by Jiří Kocián, Jakub Mlynář, and Petra Hoffmannová. Prague: Matfyzpress.

Hofmeisterová, K. and K. Králová (2020). "The Voices of Greek Child Refugees in Czechoslovakia." *Journal of Modern Greek Studies* 38, no. 1: 131-158, doi:10.1353/mgs.2020.0007.

Hofmeisterová, K., M. Jasenčáková and N. Karasová (2020). "The Holy and Great Orthodox Council and its Implications for Orthodox Unity: the Perspective of Russian Orthodox Church, the Serbian Orthodox Church and the Church of Greece." *Journal of Eastern Christian Studies* 72, no. 1-2: 145-180, doi: 10.2143/JECS.72.1.3287537.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2019). "The Serbian Orthodox Church's Involvement in Carrying the Memory of the Holocaust". *Südosteuropa* 67, no. 4: 500-533, doi:10.1515/soeu-2019-0038.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2019). "Religious nationalism and primacy in World Orthodoxy: the case of the Serbian Church at the pan-Orthodox Council in Crete", *Religion, State and Society* 47, no. 3: 341-357, doi: 10.1080/09637494.2019.1609226.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2017). "The Picture of Jews in the Serbian Orthodox Church's Narrative of the Holocaust." In *Populizam, izbeglička kriza, religija, mediji*. Filozofski fakultet u Novom Sadu, Centar za istraživanje religije, politike i društva. Novi Sad.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2017). "Jews in Socialist Yugoslavia: a Quest for New Jewishness." In *Studia Balkanika Bohema-Slovaca* VII, Brno.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2017). "Koncept „symfonie církve a státu“ v srbském prostředí a jeho vliv na utváření postoje Srbské pravoslavné církve k jugoslávské krizi [The Concept of "Symphony Between the Church and State" in the Serbian Orthodox Milieu and its Influence on the Serbian Orthodox Church]." *Slovanský přehled* 103, no. 2: 285–317.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2016). "Židé v jihovýchodní Evropě: Jugoslávie [Jews in South-East Europe: Yugoslavia]." In *Návraty: Poválečná rekonstrukce a paměť židovských komunit SJVE* [Returns: Post-War Reconstruction and Memory of Jewish Communities in South-East Europe], eds. K. Králová and H. Kubátová. Prague: Karolinum.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2016). "Roma [Roma] and Juden [Jews]." In *Minderheiten im sozialistischen Jugoslawien. Brüderlichkeit und Eigenheit* [National Minorities in Socialist Yugoslavia], eds. K. Králová, J. Kocián and K. Pikal. Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang Vlg.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2015). "Πριν τον πόλεμο η ζωή ήταν ωραία. Ο πόλεμος μας σημάδεψε. Η Ελλάδα στις αναμνήσεις των προσφύγων [It Was a Beautiful Life Before the War Came. Greece in Memories of Refugees]." In *Στέγνωσαν τα δάκρυά μας... Οι Έλληνες πρόσφυγες στην Τσεχοσλοβακία*. [We Remained as Uprooted Tree. Greek Emigration in Czechoslovakia 1948-2012], eds. K. Králová and K. Tsivos, Athina: Alexandria.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2015). "Romové [Roma]." In *Národnostní menšiny v socialistické Jugoslávii* [National Minorities in the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia], eds. K. Králová, K. Pikal and J. Kocián, Sokolov: Flavia Viera.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2012). "Byl to krásný život, než přišla válka, ta nás všechny poznamenala: Řecko ve vzpomínkách uprchlíků [It Was a Beautiful Life Before the War Came. Greece in Memories of Refugees]." In *Vyschly nám slzy... Řečtí uprchlíci v Československu* [We Have No Tears Left to Cry... Greek Refugees in Czechoslovakia], eds. K. Králová and K. Tsivos, Prague: Dokořán.

Hofmeisterová, K. (2012). "Národní stereotypy v kontextu bosenské války a jejich zobrazení prostřednictvím vybraných snímků regionální kinematografie" [The Depiction of National Stereotypes on the Bosnian War via Regional Cinematography], *Juvenilia Territorialia* IV.

PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

2022: "The Serbian Orthodox Church and the Holocaust Memory: Beyond Liturgical Remembrance," Present pasts: Historical Narratives, Holocaust Memory and Antisemitic Discourse in the Balkans, The Norwegian Center for Holocaust and Minority Studies (9 September, 2022), invited speaker.

2021: "'Being Jewish, being women': Oral histories of Jewish women in socialist Yugoslavia," Women and Socialist Cultural Heritage: New Perspectives of Reinterpretation, Belgrade (15. October 2021).

2021: "Holocaust Survivors Testimonies as a Memory Source," The Borderlands of Memory: Nationalism, Religion and Violence in Europe, 4EU+ Summer School (8 September, 2021), lecture with Jakub Mlynář and Kateřina Králová.

2021: "How 'tools' produce 'data'? Searching in a large digital corpus of audiovisual Holocaust testimonies," #DHJewish - Jewish Studies in the Digital Age" (11-14 January 2021), presentation with Jakub Mlynář and Jiří Kocián.

2020: "The Emergence of the Serbian Orthodox Church from the Ashes of Yugoslav Socialism: Religion as a Chain of Martyrial Memory," Prague Visual History and Digital Humanities Conference (PraViDCo), (27–28 January 2020).

2019: "The Serbian Orthodox Church's involvement in (re) defining the hierarchy of social structures in late socialist Yugoslavia," the 5th Doctoral Workshop Industrial Societies of Late Socialism: European Comparisons, Pula (28-31 August 2019).

2019: "The Staro Sajmište Camp in the Serbian Orthodox Church's Narrative of the Holocaust," the 23. Workshop on the History and Memory of National Socialist Camps and Extermination Sites: "Between absence and affirmation", Thessaloniki (16-22 March 2019).

2018: "The SOC's hegemonic narrative of the Holocaust places of memory," paper presented at the CENTRAL conference "Memory in Post-Conflict Societies in Central and Southeast Europe", Humboldt University, Berlin (23-26 October 2018).

2018: "Serbian Orthodox Church After 2000: (Antimodern Concepts as a Dominant Thinking in Serbian Orthodox Church Versus Reforms)." Paper presented at the international Ph.D workshop *History Fest: Jugoslavija kao naučni problem na doktorskim studijama*, Sarajevo – BiH (30 May – 3 June 2018).

2017: "The Picture of Jews in the Serbian Orthodox Church's Narrative of the Holocaust." Paper presented at the international conference *Populizam izbeglička kriza, religija, mediji*, University of Novi Sad and Centre for the Study of Religion, Politics and Society, Novi Sad – Serbia (26 May 2017).

2016: "Hegemonic historical narrative in Serbia after the breakup of the SFRY." Paper presented at the project CENTRAL workshop, Charles University, HU Berlin and University of Vienna, Vienna – Austria (8 – 11 December 2016).

2016: "Jews in socialist Yugoslavia: a quest for new Jewishness." Paper presented at the *VII. International Balkanist symposium*, Masaryk University, Brno – Czech Republic (28 – 30 November 2016).

2016: "The Serbian Orthodox Church and its role in post-Milošević Serbia." Paper presented at the international conference *Democratic Transformation in Post-Conflict Societies: Path to Ensured Success?*, Charles University, IOS Regensburg and Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Prague – Czech Republic (26 – 27 September 2016).

2016: "The Greek Civil War in Memories of Child Refugees in Czechoslovakia." Paper presented at the international conference *Children and War: Past and Present*, University of Salzburg – Austria (13 – 15 July 2016).

2016: "Roma and Jews in socialist Yugoslavia." Presentation of the book *Minderheiten im sozialistischen Jugoslawien. Brüderlichkeit und Eigenheit*, IOS Regensburg – Germany (11 May 2016).

2015: Presentation at the Theseus International Summer School and Simulation Exercise 2015 *Justice, Security and Liberty: Conflicting Goals?*, Brussels – Belgium (22 – 26 June 2015).

2014: Participant of the graduate workshop *Die soziale und kulturelle Einbettung von Politik: Ost-West-Perspektiven auf die Herausforderungen einer nachhaltigen Demokratie*, University of Vienna, Justus-Liebig University, and Charles University, Reichenau – Austria (30 October – 2 November 2014).

2010: "It Was a Beautiful Life Before the War Came. Greece in Memories of Refugees," Presentation at the international workshop *Sixty Years After. Memory of Greek Civil War Refugees in Czechoslovakia*, Charles University, Prague – Czech Republic (15 – 16 October 2010).