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International Workshop via Zoom
University of Bern, 8–9 October 2020

Thursday, 8 October 2020, 9:15 am – 4:30 pm
(all times are Central European Time)

9:15 – 9:30 am
Welcome & Introduction

9:30 – 10:45 am The History of Masculinities 1
Jürgen Martschukat (University of Erfurt)
The Politics of Masculinity and Whiteness in Recent American History
Comment: Claudia Opitz-Belakh (University of Basel)

11:15 am – 12:30 pm The History of Masculinities 2
Erica L. Fraser (Carleton University)
Military Masculinity and Postwar Recovery in the Soviet Union
Comment: Carmen Scheide (University of Bern)

2:00 – 2:30 pm Film discussion
The Prefab People (Panelkapcsolat), Béla Tarr (Hungary, 1982)
Introduced by György Kalmár (University of Debrecen)

3:00 – 4:30 pm Family and Medicine
Chair: Brigitte Studer (University of Bern)

Natalia Jarska (Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw)
Women’s Work and Men. From Breadwinning to Consumption and Emancipation

Amanda Williams (University of Leeds)

Friday, 9 October 2020, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm

9:30 – 11:00 am Military Masculinities
Chair: Régis Schlagdenhauffen (EHESS, Paris)

Magali Delaloye (University of Basel)

Wojciech Śmieja (University of Silesia, Katowice)
Memoirs of Disabled Veterans. Communist Poland and the (Re-)Construction of Crippled Bodies

11:30 am – 12:30 pm Youth, Love, and Sexuality
Chair: Alexandra Oberländer (Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin)

Brendan M. McElmeel (University of Washington, Seattle)
Don Juan and Comrade Ivan: Love and Masculinity in the Soviet Urals, 1953–1964

2:00 – 3:30 pm Coloniality and Violence
Chair: Julia Richers (University of Bern)

Cristina Diač (University of Bucharest)

Marina Yusupova (Newcastle University)
Coloniality of Gender and Masculinity: Rethinking Contemporary Russian Masculinities in Light of Post- and Decolonial Critique

4:00 – 4:30 pm Final discussion
Concluding remarks by Ivan Simić (Charles University, Prague)

Advance registration is required. To learn more and register, please e-mail peter.hallama@hist.unibe.ch