

Program

Thirty Years of Transition – Ljubo Sirc Centenary Conference

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Catholic Institute, Faculty of Law and Business Studies, Ljubljana, Slovenia

9:00-9:15

Welcoming speech

Anton Stres; Rector of the Catholic institute

Ljubo Sirc an Economist

Krassen Stanchev; Sofia University, Sofia, Bulgaria

9:15-9:40

Economic Well-Being, Life Satisfaction and Corruption Aversion: Evidence from a Transition Survey.

Gaygysyz Ashyrov; School of Economics and Business Administration, University of Tartu, Estonia

Luca Andriani; School of Business economics and Informatics, Birkbeck University of London, UK

Lead discussant: Tomasz Mickiewicz; Aston Business School, UK

9:40-10:05

Reform-Socialist Past During Return to Market Order: A Plus or a Sticky Legacy Item? The Case of Hungary

Péter Ákos Bod; Economic Policy Institution, Corvinus University of Budapest, Hungary

Lead discussant: Krassen Stanchev; Sofia University, Sofia, Bulgaria

10:05-10:30

Who received governmental support in Russian manufacturing industry? Changes in priorities after 2014-2015 crisis

Andrei Yakovlev, Nina Ershova, Olga Uvarova; National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow Russia

Lead discussant: Silvana Malle Emeritus; Department of Economic Science, Verona University Santa Marta, Italy

10:30-10:45

Coffee break

10:45-11:10

Private Property and State Re-Building in post-Soviet Russia: the Features of Neo-Patrimonialism

Cristina Poncibň and Cristian Collina University of Turin, Department of Law, Turin Italy

Lead discussant: Andrei Yakovlev; HSE Institute for Industrial and Market Studies, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia

11:10-11:35

Governance Trends among European Union Countries: Is There Institutional Convergence?

Ružica Šimić Banović; Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Croatia;

Martina Basarac Sertić; Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Economic Research Division, Croatia;

Valentina Vučković; Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Zagreb, Croatia

Lead discussant: Abel Polese School of Governance, Law and Society, Tallinn University, Estonia

11:35-12:00

Legal and Judicial System Transformation in Transition Economy - The Macedonian case

Hristina Runcheva Tasev, Leposava Ognjanovska; Law Faculty Iustinianus Primus, Ss Cyril and Methodius University, Skopje, Republic of N. Macedonia;

Aneta Stojanovska-Stefanova, University Goce Delchev, Shtip, Republic of N. Macedonia;

Lead discussant: Jernej Letnar Čerňič; New University, Ljubljana, Slovenia

12:00-12:25

Organized Anarchy: How Informal Rules and Institutional Corruption Shape the Labor Market in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Elma Demir; Goldsmiths University of London, United Kingdom

Lead discussant: Mitja Steinbacher; Faculty of Law and Business Studies, Ljubljana, Slovenia

12:25-13:30

Lunch break

13:30-13:55

Competitiveness and Innovation Performance of SMEs in the New EU Member states: The case of Croatia

Valentina Vučković; Faculty of Economics & Business, University of Zagreb, Croatia

Nevenka Čučković; Institute for Development and International Relations (IRMO),
Zagreb, Croatia

Lead discussant: Vlatka Škokić; University of Split, Faculty of Economics, Split, Croatia

13:55-14:20

Socialist directors between negotiations and structural conflicts

Jurij Fikfak; ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana, Slovenia

*Lead discussant: Rado Pezdir; International School For Social and Business Studies,
Celje, Slovenia*

14:20-14:45

Property restitution in Eastern Europe and the European Court of Human Rights case- law

Mariana Karadjova; Lawyer, Sofia, Bulgaria

Lead discussant: Jernej Letnar Cernic; New University, Ljubljana, Slovenia

14:45-15:10

The Role of Foreign Direct Investments Upon Consolidating Political Power: Turkish Investments in Serbia.

Sabina Pačariz; Queen Mary University of London, London, UK

Lead discussant: Matej Kovač, Lexpera, Zagreb, Croatia

15:10-15:30

Coffee break

15:30-15:55

Press and Informal Institutions as FDI Barriers: What Changed in Slovenia Between 1992 and 2018?

Zoran Vaupot, Milena Fornazarič; Faculty of Law and Business Studies, Ljubljana,
Slovenia

*Lead discussant: Janez Šušteršič; International School For Social and Business Studies,
Celje, Slovenia*

15:55-16:20

Return Migration in South Eastern Europe: Current Trends and Future Research Propositions

Katarina Štrancar; University of Graz, Austria

Lead discussant: Gorazd Justinek; New University, Ljubljana, Slovenia

16:20-17:20

Panel Discussion:

The Impact of European Institutions on the Rule of Law and Democracy Slovenia and Beyond

Panelists:

Matej Avbelj, Gorazd Justinek, Jernej Letnar Cernic; New University, Ljubljana, Slovenia;

17:20-17:30

Conclusive speech and awards presentation

Matej Kovač, Lexpera, Zagreb, Croatia