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## **EDUCATION**

PhD in Comparative History of Central, Southern and Eastern Europe at the Central European University, Budapest (2005), *summa cum laude*  
Thesis Title: "Religious Dissent in the Age of Modernization and Nationalism: Nazarenes in Hungary and Serbia 1850-1914"

2000-2001 - Visiting Student - Osteuropa Institut, Freie Universität Berlin

MA in Central European History at the Central European University, Budapest (1999)  
Thesis Title: "The Dynamics of Extinction: The Nazarene Religious Community in Yugoslavia after 1945"

B. A. in History, University of Belgrade, Serbia (1998)

1995 - Summer school at L'Institut de Science Politique in Rennes, France

## **FELLOWSHIPS & RESEARCH PROJECTS**

2005 - Humboldt Foundation Research Fellowship; Host Institution - Osteuropa Institut, Freie University Berlin

2004 – 2005 "We, the People" Research Fellowship of the Collegium Budapest and Center for Advanced Studies Sofia

2004 – "The Clergy in Modern Europe", Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main

2003-2004 – OSI International Policy Fellowship "Religious Education in Public Schools"

2002 – Fellowship of the Georg Eckert Institut für internationale Schulbuchforschung, Braunschweig

2002 – Researcher on the project “Balkan Societies in Change: The Use of Historical Myths”, Institute for History, Sarajevo and University of Oslo

2002 – Researcher on the project “Traditions of Historical Consciousness”, conducted by Witten/Herdecke and Freie Universität Berlin

2000, 2003 – Kokkalis Foundation Fellowships for Graduate Students’ Conference at Harvard University and Study Seminar in Olympia, Greece

2001-2004 – Researcher on the project “Die Kirchen in früheren Jugoslawien” Ökumenisches Institut, WW University Münster

1999-2004 – Open Society Doctoral Study Scholarship

## **LIST OF PUBLICATION**

### **A) Books**

(2006) *Religious Dissent between the Modern and the National: Nazarenes in Hungary and Serbia 1850-1914*. Wiesbaden. Harrassowitz Verlag, 219 pp.

(2004) *Veronauka u Srbiji* (Religious Education in Serbia). Niš. Yugoslav Association for the Study of Religion JUNIR. 120 pp.

(2004) *7000 godine istorije. Ilustrovane hronologije* (7000 Years of History. Illustrated Historical Chronology). Novi Sad. Platoneum, 368 pp.

(1994) ed. *Deserters from the War in Former Yugoslavia*. Belgrade, Parma, Castellon. Women in Black, Alfazeta, MOC, in Serbian, English, Italian, Spanish.

### **B) Journal Articles/Book Chapters**

“The Roots of Serbian Anti-Occidentalism” in Gabriella Schubert und Holm Sundhaussen (Hrsg.), *Prowestliche und antiwestliche Diskurse in den Balkanländern/Südosteuropa und in der Türkei* (forthcoming)

(2005) “Perception of Islamization in the Serbian National Discourse” in *Journal of Southeast European and Black Sea Studies*, Vol. 5/1, pp. 113-127.

(2005) “Adamant and Treacherous: Serbian Historians on Religious Conversions” in Pål Kolstø, ed. *Myths and Boundaries in South-Eastern Europe* (London: Hurst & Co), pp. 158-190.

In Serbian (2003) "Poturica gori od Turčina: Srpski istoričari o verskim preobraćanjima" in *Historijski mitovi na Balkanu* (Sarajevo: Institut za istoriju Sarajevo), pp. 225-258.

(forthcoming) "'The Union' as a Seed of Dissension between Serbs and Croats" in Hans-Christian Maner und Norbert Spannenberger, hg. *Konfessionele Identität und nationale Engagement. Die griechisch-katholischen Kirchen in Ostmittel- und Südosteuropa im 19. und 20. Jahrhundert*.

(2004) "Marian Apparitions and the Yugoslav Crisis" in *Southeast European Politics*, Vol. V/1, pp. 1-23. <http://www.seep.ceu.hu/archives/issue51/aleksov.pdf>

(2004) "Religious Education in Serbia" in *Religion, State and Society*, Vol. 32/4, pp. 341-364.

In German (2005) in Thomas Bauer und Thorsten Gerald Schneiders (Hrsg.), "*Kinder Abrahams*": *Religiöser Austausch im lebendigen Kontext. Festschrift zur Eröffnung des Centrums für Religiöse Studien* (Münster: Lit Verlag), pp. 59-96.

In Serbian (2003) in *Reč*, Vol. 71/17, pp. 99-130.

(2003) "Nationalism in Construction: The Memorial Church of St. Sava on Vračar Hill in Belgrade" in *Balkanologie*, Vol. VII/2, pp. 47-72.

(2002) "Die Interpretation des religiösen Bekenntniswechsels bei der Herausbildung des serbischen Nationalbewusstseins" in *Jahrbücher für Geschichte und Kultur Südosteuropas*, Bd. 4, pp. 39-67.

In Serbian (2003) "Videnje verskih preobraćenja u formiranju srpske nacionalne svesti" in *Helsinki sveske*, Vol. 18, (Belgrade. Helsinki Files), pp. 5-39, and in Thomas Bremer, ur. *Religija društvo i politika. Kontroverzna tumačenja i približavanja*. Bonn. Wissenschaftliche Arbeitsgruppe für weltkirchliche Aufgaben der Deutschen Bischofskonferenz, pp. 143-167.

(1998) "Deserters in Ex-Yugoslavia. What Was the Reaction of the International Community?" In: *Ljudska prava*, pp. 72-74. (Belgrade, Human Rights).

#### C) Published Contributions to Academic Conferences

(2004) "Perception of Islamization in the Serbian National Discourse" in *Nationalism, Society and Culture in Post-Ottoman South East Europe*.  
<http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/areastudies/aleksov.pdf>

(2002) "Nationalism in Construction: The Memorial Church of St. Sava on Vračar Hill in Belgrade". In: "Études balkaniques: état des savoirs et pistes de recherche". Paris. Association française d'études sur les Balkans.  
<http://www.afebalk.org/rencontres2002/textes/B.Alexov.pdf>

(2001) "Resisting the War in ex-Yugoslavia: Empowerment and Disillusionment". WRI Nonviolence and Social Empowerment Project.  
<http://www.wri-irg.org/nonviolence/nvse09-en.htm>

(2000) "The Nazarene Religious Community: A Test for Tito's Yugoslavia and Minority Policies". In: Das Gesamteuropäische Studienwerk e.V. (GESW) Vlotho. Citizenship, Minority Rights and Ethnicity in Europe.  
<http://www.gesw.de/ethnicity/Conference.html>

(2000) "Nonconformist Sects under Communism: Case Study of Yugoslavia". In: Crossroads of History: Experience, Memory, Orality. Proceedings of XI International Oral History Conference vol. III . Istanbul. International Oral History Association and University of Bogazici. 1334-1337.

(1998) "International Community and the Deserters from the War in Former Yugoslavia". In: Osnabrück Peace Congress Newsletter Nr. 3.

#### D) Articles in Newspapers and Magazines

(1991 – present) In Belgrade newspapers Naša Borba, Republika, Odgovor and NIN as well as in El Mundo, (Berliner) Tageszeitung, Frankfurter Rundschau, Il Manifesto, Peace News, etc.

#### Papers Delivered at Conferences

2005 – 3<sup>rd</sup> International Association for Southeast European Anthropology Conference "Urban Life and Culture in Southeast Europe", Belgrade

2004 – 43. Internationale Hochschulwoche "Pro- und antiwestliche Diskurse in den Balkanländern/Südosteuropa", Tutzing/Germany

2004 – IV Junior Scholars' Workshop "New Doctoral Research on the History of Southeastern Europe", Thessaloniki

2004 – "Nationalism, Society and Culture in Post-Ottoman South East Europe" University of Oxford, St Peter's College

2004 – "Among others". A Congress in European and Mediterranean Comparative Ethnology - 8<sup>th</sup> Congress of SIEF and 3<sup>d</sup> Congress of ADAM, Marseille

2003 – "Religion als Konfliktsfaktor in Osteuropa" Osteuropa Gesellschaft, Berlin

2003 – EUSTORY Conference "Haunting memories? History in Europe After Authoritarianism", Budapest.

2002 – Premières rencontres des études balkaniques, Association française d'études sur les Balkans, Paris

2002 – Converting Cultures: Religion, Ideology and Transformations of Identity, Dartmouth College

2001 – “Women, Gender and the Extreme Right in Europe”, Cardiff University

2000 - Sakralisierung der Nation und Nationalisierung der Religion in Ostmittel-, Südost-, und Osteuropa in der Neuzeit, GWZO Leipzig

2000 - International Oral History Association (IOHA) XI Conference, Bogaziçi University, Istanbul

1999 – “Citizenship, Minority Rights and Ethnicity in Eastern Europe”- University of Muenster and Central European University, Budapest

1999 – “Towards a Common Historiography of the Ottoman Empire” - Institut Français d'Etudes Anatoliennes and Bogaziçi University, Istanbul

#### Public Lectures (selected)

2004 – The series of lectures at the “Schools of Democracy” organized by the Helsinki Committee for Human Rights in Serbia

27.2.2004. Forum Bosnia, Sarajevo

29.5.2003. Center for Peace Studies, Zagreb

27.8.2002. Glas Javnosti, Belgrade

#### Memberships

Editorial Board of the Journal of Southern Europe and the Balkans

#### Languages:

Mother tongue: Serbo-Croatian

English, French, German: Excellent

Spanish, Italian, Hungarian, Slavic languages: Working knowledge