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Conference Programme

Friday, 23 March 2018

Venue: Elvin Hall, Rm. 104, UCL Institute of Education, 20 Bedford Way, London,
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9:00 – 9:45 **Registration. Coffee/Tea.**

9:45 – 10:00 **Conference Opening and Welcome Address**

History & Memory (Elvin Hall)

Moderator: **Stephen Hall**

10:00 – 11:30

Alena Marková, *Making a New History: Challenges and Options of the Contemporary Belarusian History.*

Natalya Chernyshova, *De-Stalinization in the Borderlands: Attempted National Reform in Soviet Belorussia, 1953.*

Daniela Kolenovská, *Hero or Anti-hero of the Belarusian Independence Project?*

Social & Political Movements (Elvin Hall)

Moderator: **Prof Yaraslau Kryvoi**

11:30 – 13:00

Kristiina Silvan, *Nomenklatura of Tomorrow? Belarusian Republican Youth Union as a Career Ladder in Contemporary Belarus*

Paula Borowska, *Building Evangelical Belarus: Religion and Social Change: Civic Engagement/Disengagement of Evangelical Christian Minorities in Belarus.*

Julia Natalie Falconer-O'Regan, *The Disappearing Identity of the Belarusian Diaspora in Poland.*

13:00 - 14:00

Lunch break

Foreign Policy (Elvin Hall)

Moderator: **Prof Andrew Wilson**

14:00 – 15:30

Prof Uladzimir Snapkouski, History of Foreign Policy of the Republic of Belarus: Belarusian and Foreign Sources

Yuri Tsarik, *Belarus and Russia in 2018-2019: Variables and Scenarios.*

Tatsiana Shaban, *Media Perceptions of the European Union and Russia in Belarus.*

15:30 – 15:45

Coffee Break

Research in Progress (Elvin Hall)

Moderator: **Dr Karalina Matskievich**

15:45 – 17:45

Prof Arnold McMillin, *History and Myth in Young Belarusian Prose at the Start of This Century.*

Ala Pihalskaya, *Repetition and Difference: Avant-Garde Heritage in the Belarusian Poster of 1960s-1970s*

Volodymyr Hutsul, *The Panel Battle of Orsha: Arts and Warfare in Grand Duchy of Lithuania in the First Third of the 16th Century.*

Vitali Byl, *Witchcraft at the religious borderland: the case of Early Modern Ruthenian Greek Catholic Church.*

Kristian Roncero, *West Polesian Pronominal Numerals: the Emergence of a Category.*

Lisa Margetts, *Psychodynamic music therapy and the work of classroom practitioners working with children with complex needs in Belarus*

Annual London Lecture on Belarusian Studies: Belarusian state- and nation-formation: from Polatsk principality to Independent Belarus (Elvin Hall)

Moderator: **Prof Yaraslau Kryvoi**

18:00 – 19:00

Speaker: **Alena Marková**, Assistant Professor at the Department of Historical Sociology, Faculty of Humanities, Charles University in Prague.

19:00 – Close

Reception