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RESEARCH FIELD AND INTERESTS

Anthropology of socialism and post-socialism; oral history; memory studies: biographical and cultural memory; social history, gender and women's history; social constructivism

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Since 2003 *Key Concepts in Cultural Studies*, BA, mandatory

Since 2004 *Oral History, Life-Story Methods*, MA program Cultural Anthropology, and European Master in Gender and Women's History
MATILDA

Since 2009 *History and Theory of Culture*, mandatory, BA programme «EU and European Integration»

Since 2013 *Multi-, Inter- and Transculturality in Contemporary Europe*, elective, MA programme «Cultural Diplomacy»

Since 2017 *Cultural Memory and Memory Cultures*, BA, elective

SCIENTIFIC DEGREES AND ACADEMIC POSITIONS

1994-2002: Assistant Professor, Faculty of Philosophy, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski

2002-2020: Associate Professor, Faculty of Philosophy, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski

2003-2007: Vice Dean, Faculty of Philosophy, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski

2012-2019: Academic associate, Centre for Advanced Study, Sofia

2012-present: Member of the Advisory Board, Institute for Study of the Recent Past, Sofia

2014-present: Member of the Academic board of New Europe College, Bucharest

2017-2021: Member of the Standing Committee on Social and Legal Sciences, Security and Defence, National Evaluation and Accreditation Agency

2020-present: Professor, Faculty of Philosophy, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski

2020-present: senior researcher, IEFSEM-BAS

EDUCATION

1986 Diploma (MA) in Philosophy, Leningrad (St. Petersburg) state university

1993 PhD in Sociology, Sofia University

PUBLICATION ACTIVITY

Monographs:

Biography and Normality. Sofia: LIK (in Bulgarian).

Memory and Justice: Personal Reminiscences and Public Narratives of Communism. Sofia: Institute for the Study of the Recent Past/Ciela 2020 (in Bulgarian).

Edited volumes:

20 Years after the Collapse of Communism: Expectations, achievements and disillusion of 1989. (ed. with N. Hayoz and L. Jesien). Peter Lang, 2011.

Ageing, Ritual and Social Change: Comparing the Secular and Religious in Eastern and Western Europe. (ed. with P. Coleman and J. Bornat). Ashgate AHRC/ESRC religion and society series, 2013.

Death Under Socialism: Heroics and Postheroics. Sofia: CAS 2013 (in Bulgarian).

Love Under Socialism: Models, Images, Taboos. Sofia: CAS 2015 (in Bulgarian).

The Body Under Socialism: Regimes and Representations. Sofia: Riva/CAS 2016 (in Bulgarian).

Negotiating Normality: Everyday Lives in Socialist Institutions. (ed.) London: Routledge 2017 (1st ed. Transaction 2012).

Age(ing) Under Socialism: Generations in Family and Society. Sofia: Riva/CAS 2019 (in Bulgarian).

Selected articles and book chapters:

"Daughters' Stories: Family Memory and Generational Amnesia", *The Oral History Review*, 2009, vol. 36, 2, 188-206. doi.org/10.1093/ohr/ohp040

"Belene: remembering the labour camp and the history of memory", *Social History*, vol. 37, no 1, February 2012, pp. 1-18. doi.org/10.1080/03071022.2011.651581.

"Negotiating Socialist Lives after the Fall. Narrative Resources and Strategies of the First Socialist Generation in Bulgaria" – *Südosteuropa*, vol. 64, no 3, 2016, pp. 344-364. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1515/soeu-2016-0029>.

"On the (In)convertibility of National Memory into European Legitimacy: The Bulgarian Case", in: Oto Luthar (ed.) *Of Red Dragons and Evil Spirits. Post-Communist Historiography Between Democratization and New Politics of History*. Budapest–New York: CEU Press 2017, pp. 11-31.

"(Re)mapping national space: The one hundred tourist sites of Bulgaria and their metamorphoses", in: Thomas Lahusen and Schamma Schahadat (eds.) *Postsocialist Landscapes: Real and Imaginary Spaces from StalinStadt to Pyongyang*,

Bielefeld: Transcript, 2020, pp. 235-251.

“The Immortal Regiment and its glocalisation: Reformatting Victory Day in Bulgaria”, *Memory Studies*, vol. 15, no 1, 2022
DOI: [10.1177/17506980211037280](https://doi.org/10.1177/17506980211037280)

CONFERENCES

European Social Science History conferences: 1998-2021, every other year

International Association for Southeast European Anthropology (InASEA) conferences: 2005, 2016 (keynote), 2018

“Social Sciences and Humanities: a New Agenda for Europe’s Challenges” within the Slovak Presidency of the Council of the EU, 2016 (invited)

XX International Oral History Association conference, Jyväskylä, 2018

IUAES Inter-Congress “Global Solidarities”, Poznan University 2019

Memory Studies Association (MSA) conferences: 2017, 2019, 2021

PROJECTS

2009-2012: “New Youth, new cultures, new causes: interdisciplinary approaches of cultural studies”, supported by the National Research Fund, Ministry of Education and Science

2009-2012: “Patterns of Anxiety: Life Stories and Narrative Models in Socialist and Post-socialist Societies”, supported by the National Research Fund, Ministry of Education and Science

2010-2012: “Oral History of Communism in Bulgaria (1944-1989)”, Institute for the Study of the Recent Past, Sofia

2017-2022: COST Action CA16213 NEP4DISSENT (New Exploratory Phase in Research on East European Cultures of Dissent) <https://nep4dissent.eu>

2019-2022: The Transition after 1989: Interpretations of Historical Change, Social Experience and Cultural Memory in Contemporary Bulgarian Literature, supported by the National Research Fund, Ministry of Education and Science

2020-2026: LEVIATHAN: Taming the European Leviathan: The Legacy of Post-War Medicine and the Common Good, ERC Synergy Grant – IEFSEM-BAS, senior researcher

MEMBERSHIP IN RESEARCH ASSOCIATIONS

Memory Studies Association <https://www.memorystudiesassociation.org/>

Cultural Literacy in Europe (founder member) <https://cleurope.eu/>

International Association for Southeast European

Anthropology (InASEA) <https://inasea.net/>