STUDY GROUP ON THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION
Annual Conference, 4th – 6th January 2023
Southampton University, Southampton, UK

All panels will take place in the Hartley Suite, Building 38, Highfield Campus, University of Southampton

Conference theme: Brotherhood of Nations? Centenary Perspectives on the creation of the USSR

Languages: English, Russian

Format: in person and online

Wednesday 4th January

12:30-1:30 pm Welcome, Lunch, and Registration

1:30-3.00 pm Panel 1: Late Imperial Russia: Problems and Prospects
Chair: Semion Lyandres
Jonathan Davis, Lenin, London and the Labour Party
Jamie Bryson, Portents of Revolution? Okhrana Reports in 1916

3.00-3.30 pm Coffee, tea, and biscuits

3.30-4 pm Alistair Dickens, Russian History from School to University: An Update

4.15-6.15 pm Panel 2: The Russian Revolution and Transnational Connections
Chair: Jenny Grieve-Laing
Sam Foster, Diverging Paths?: The South Slavic Left and Revolutionary Russia before 1922
Anna Lively, Transnational Humanitarian Relief, Press Networks, and Representations of Famine in Soviet Russia and Ireland, 1921-25
Marie-Josée Lavallée, Laying Down the Stage for Revolution: the October Revolution, Brest-Litovsk and the Revival of the Austrian Workers’ Movement in Early 1918

End of day one

6.15 pm Pub drinks, followed at 7.30pm by dinner at Oxford Brasserie, 33-34 Oxford St, Southampton, SO14 3DS.
Thursday 5th January

09:30-11 am Panel 3: 1917 and its Ramifications

Chair: Lara Green

Konstantin Tarasov, Citizen soldiers. Civil Principles of the Russian Revolutionary Army in 1917

Michael Melancon, Misunderstanding/Understanding 1917’s October Revolution: Bolshevik or Soviet Revolution

Geoff Swain, World Revolution: 1920 Revisited

11-11:30 am: Coffee, tea, and biscuits

11:30 am – 1 pm Panel 4: Petitions and Penality in Early Soviet Russia

Chair: Daniel Orlovsky

Lara Douds, Petitioning the Soviet ‘President’: the ‘Priemnaia Kalinina’, 1919-46’

Aaron Retish, Prison Poetry: The Language of Revolution in Prisoners’ Petitions

Mark Vincent, Shaping the Punitive Empire: Questions of Nationality in the Early Soviet Penal Periphery

1–2 pm: Lunch (Hartley Suite)

2–3 pm: SGRR AGM.

3-3:30 pm: Coffee, tea, and biscuits

3:30pm-5:30 pm Panel 5: Nationalities – Ukraine and the Caucasus

Chair: Charlotte Alston

Ridvan Chitil, O. F. Numanzade on Bolshevik Nationality Politics in the Caucasus (Омар Фаик Нумандаде о национальной политике большевиков на Кавказе)

Christopher Gilley, Ukrainian State-Building and Antisemitic Violence: History, Historiography and Instrumentalisation

Gary Lawson, Brotherhood of Nations? Centenary Perspectives on the Creation of the USSR. Semashko and the Birth of Soviet Health Resorts in Crimea

Grigorii Grigoryev, The image of Najmuddin Gotsinsky (1859-1925) in the historical narratives of modern Dagestanis
5:30-6:30 pm: Roundtable: The Bloomsbury Handbook of the Russian Revolution

End of day two

7.15pm: Dinner, Marco’s Bar Ristorante Cicchetti, 35-36 Oxford Street, Southampton, SO14 3DS.

Friday 6th January

09:30-11:00 am Panel 6: Revolutionary politics

Chair: Franziska Schedewie

Alexis Pogorelskin, The Early Years of Edvard Gylling in Karelia

Mark Conliffe, On Citizenry, Revolution, and the Relationship of Anatolii Lunacharskii and Vladimir Korolenko

Michael C. Hickey, Solomon Gurevich and the Attempt to Chart a Moderate Socialist Revolutionary Path in Provincial Russia in 1917

11:00-11:30 am: Coffee, tea, and biscuits

11:30-1:00 pm Panel 7: Ideology and Rhetoric in Nationalities Policies

Chair: Sam Foster

Stefan Gužvica, From the Taiga to the British Seas: The Russian Revolution as a World Revolution, 1917–1923

Ksenia Butuzova, Revolutionary Enlightenment: Ideology and Didactics of Soviet Rebuses (1922–1930)

Boris Gorshkov, A Revolutionary Childhood: Ideals, Declarations, Challenges, and Realities

1-2pm: Lunch (Hartley Suite)

2-4pm Panel 8: Culture and Society in Early Soviet Russia

Chair: TBC

Jari Parkkinen, Internationalism, Russocentrism and affirmative actions: Debating the revolution in music in the early Soviet Union

Nikolay Sarkisyan, The Historical-Revolutionary Museums of Petrograd-Leningrad, 1917–1941

Pavel Stepanov, “International education of the masses”: Screening the Paris Commune in the 1920-1930s Workers’ Club
End of conference

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