

TOTALITY

WITHOUT TOTALITARIANISM?

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THURSDAY

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JUNE 18

10:00 **WELCOME & INTRO BY THE ORGANISERS**

PANEL 1 **KOJÈVE AND PATOČKA**

(CHAIR: ISABEL JACOBS)

10:15	KOJÈVE’S HEGEL IN JAN PATOČKA JAN FREI
10:45	THE FLASH OF BEING THAT ILLUMINATES THE DARKNESS: HEGEL - KOJÈVE - PATOČKA CHRISTIAN STERNAD
11:15	THE GOLDEN RING: ONTOLOGICAL DUALISM AND HISTORICITY IN KOJÈVE AND PATOČKA LORENZO TORO

12:00 **LUNCH BREAK**

PANEL 2 **EMBRACING TOTALITY**

(CHAIR: TREVOR WILSON)

13:30	TOTALITY WITHOUT TOTALITARIANISM OR EMBRACING OUR ENDS WITH KOJÈVE JOSEFÍNA FORMANOVÁ
14:00	LIBERTÉ, ÉGALITÉ, TOTALITÉ? THE CONCEPT OF TOTALITY IN KOJÈVE AND LEVINAS LEON TIEMEIER
14:30	TOTALITY BEYOND TOTALITY: BORIS GROYS’ READING OF ALEXANDRE KOJÈVE ALEXEI PENZIN

15:00 **BREAK**

PANEL 3 **KOJÈVE AND CZECH PHILOSOPHY**

(CHAIR: JAN FREI)

15:30	ALEXANDRE KOJÈVE AND KAREL TEIGE: THE CONCEPT OF PHENOMENOLOGY ŠIMON WIKSTRØM SVĚRÁK
16:00	KOJÈVE IN PRAGUE: BETWEEN PATOČKA’S HERETICAL PHILOSOPHY OF HISTORY AND KOSÍK’S CONCRETE TOTALITY ONDŘEJ ŠVEC
16:30	ALEXANDRE KOJÈVE AND KAREL KOSÍK: IS THE SOLDIER ŠVEJK ANOTHER WISE MAN? JAKUB ZÍTKO

17:15 **VISIT OF PATOČKA’S ARCHIVE**

10:00

INTRODUCTION

PANEL 4	DÉSIRER LA TOTALITÉ (CHAIR: JAKUB ZÍTKO)
10:15	BONNES TYRANNIES, PHILOSOPHIES DIABOLIQUES. ALEXANDRE KOJÈVE À LA COUR DU XXE SIÈCLE MARCO FILONI
10:45	KOJÈVE, TROMPÉ PAR LA TOTALITÉ? EKATERINA SHASHLOVA
11:15	AIMER BIG BROTHER RAMBERT NICOLAS

12:00

LUNCH BREAK

PANEL 5	TOTALITY AND TYRANNY (CHAIR: JEFF LOVE)
13:30	ALL IN: THE TOTAL SUBJECT OF TRANSCENDENTAL HISTORY PATRICK FLACK
14:00	HISTORY AND THE PROBLEM OF JUSTIFICATION CHRISTINE BLÄTTLER
14:30	THE SOUND OF TYRANNY HAGER WESLATI

15:00

BREAK

PANEL 6	CONCRETE TOTALITIES (CHAIR: EKATERINA SHASHLOVA)
15:30	HEGEL IN EXILE: ALEXANDRE KOJÈVE, DMYTRO CHYZHEVSKY AND THE “EURASIAN TEMPTATION” ALEXANDER DMITRIEV
16:00	ANIMAL TOTALITY: KOJÈVE’S BESTIARY TREVOR WILSON
16:30	CONCRETE TOTALITY: KOJÈVE AND INGARDEN ISABEL JACOBS
17:00	KOJÈVE AND IMMORTALISM JEFF LOVE

17:30

FINAL DISCUSSION