

International Scholarly Conference on the Partition of Macedonia and the Balkan Wars of 1912-13

Dates: 4th September – 7th September 2013

Venue: Monash University Law Chambers, 555 Lonsdale St, Melbourne

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the end of the second Balkan War. As a result of this war, Macedonia, which was then part of the Ottoman Empire, was divided and annexed by Greece, Serbia and Bulgaria. This was sanctioned by the signing of the Treaty of Bucharest on the 10th of August 1913. In the context of Macedonia's highly contested modern history and the current topicality of the Republic of Macedonia's international recognition, this multidisciplinary conference will aim to make a substantial contribution to an understanding of this important aspect of modern Macedonian history. The conference will attempt a historical survey of the context and the effects, both short and long term, of the partition of Macedonia on the inhabitants of Macedonia, from a variety of perspectives, especially linguistic, sociological, anthropological and political.

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS & PAPERS TO BE PRESENTED

Professor Andrew Rossos, University of Toronto:

The Balkan Wars (1912-13) and the Partition of Macedonia: A Historical Perspective

Professor Victor Friedman, University of Chicago: *The effects of Partition on the languages spoken in Macedonia*

Professor Katerina Kolozova, American University College Skopje:

History as Contingency and as the Real of a National Identity

Professor Keith Brown, Watson Institute, Brown University: *How Trauma Travels*

Professor Peter Hill, University of Hamburg: *The Partition in relation to the later Codification of the Macedonian Language*

Professor Loring Danforth, Bates College: *From the Partition of Macedonia to the Creation of the Transborder Prespa Park*

Dr Akis Gavrilidis, University of Macedonia, Greece: *Who was liberated in 1912?*

Professor Christina Kramer, University of Toronto: *Partitioning Language Policy and Status Planning in Macedonia*

Dr Jim Hlavac, Monash University: *Partition without fragmentation: a cross-perspective analysis of Macedonian language maintenance in Australia*

Professor Grace E. Fielder, University of Arizona: *Partition, Linguistic Identity and Language Standardization*

George Vlahov, Australian Macedonian Human Rights Committee: *A Survey of the 'Macedonian Question' in Dialogue with Greek Nationalism*

Dr Vasko Nastevski, Australian Macedonian Human Rights Committee: *The partition of Macedonia and International Law: From Clausewitz to McDougall*

Pandora Petrovska, La Trobe University: *Attempting to Recalibrate the Past: using narrative and the language classroom*

Associate Professor Dalibor Jovanovski, University "Sts. Cyril and Methodius": *Greek Historiography and the Balkan Wars – in Interest of the Nation*

Dr. Michael Seraphinoff: *Two significant works of Macedonian Literature that deal with the Balkan Wars and World War One*

OTHER EVENTS

Event: *Johnny Tsiglev's 'Detsa Begaltsi' Multimedia Art Exhibition plus AMHRC's Official Conference Party*

Featuring a Short Film Premiere by Award Winning Filmmaker Anton Blajer and music by the irrepressible DJ Mangal

Date: Friday 6th September 2013

Time: 7:00pm – 1:00am

Venue: Thousand Pound Bend, 361 Lt Lonsdale St, Melbourne

Event: *AMHRC Dinner Dance*

Date: Saturday 7th September 2013

Time: 7:00pm – 1:00am

Venue: Golden Star Receptions, 15 Yale Drive, Epping



