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Final Conference

**Importanne Hotels and Resort
Dubrovnik
Croatia**

5th-7th March 2015

Outline Programme



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14:00 – 17:30 WP2-lead session showcasing work with non-academic partners, and featuring visual dissemination materials

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This session will be dedicated the dissemination events and broader collaboration between academic and non-academic partners within WP2 of MYPLACE. Five 'big dissemination projects' will be in the focus (people invited in the 'smaller events' are welcome to participate in the question and answers and general discussion parts of the round table). Therefore we would like to invite two representatives of each country where the big dissemination project was implemented (Latvia, Slovakia, Russia, Portugal, UK) to give very short talks (about 10 minutes per country-project). In their talks we ask speakers to reflect on two questions:

- 1) What were challenges and benefits of collaboration between academic and non-academic partners in the course of the project?
- 2) How have the understanding of memories of the 'difficult past' and their significance for young people changed as a result of this collaboration and engagement with young people?

19:00 – Showing of final MYPLACE film "Loud and Proud: Listening to the English Defence League" – at Hotel Neptun. (Dmitry Omelchenko)



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6 March 2015 Day 1

9:30 - 10:00 - Welcome & Introductions (Hilary Pilkington)

Welcome address from Philippe Keraudren – Acting Head of Unit, European Commission Directorate General for Research and Innovation

Welcome by Vlado Sakic - Director of Ivo Pilar Institute of Social Sciences

10:00 - 11:00 - Plenary 1: What does the MYPLACE survey add to our knowledge of young people's civic and political engagement?' (Work Package 4 researchers, led by Gary Pollock – Discussant: Claire Wallace)

(Coffee)

11:15 -13:00 : First parallel session
(2 papers plus discussant per panel)

Panel 1: Ideology and attitudes to extremism - Discussant: Emanuele Toscano

- Correlation between fragmented political socialization and attraction to political extremism in the MYPLACE locations (*Zoltán Berényi and Istvan Muranyi*)
- Determinants and understandings of young people's tolerance in Georgia, Russia and Germany (*Natalia Goncharova, Robert Grimm, Tamar Khoshtaria and Tinatin Zurabishvili*)

Panel 2: The role of the state: youth regimes and political activism - Discussant : Howard Williamson

- Shaping youth participation. The meanings of political action strategies among young people in different European contexts (*Mariona Ferrer, Roger Soler, Sanjin Ulezic*)
- Hard and Soft Forms of Social Control of Youth: : Russia and the UK compared (*Elena Omel'chenko, Guzel Sabirova, Mick Carpenter*)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:00 - Plenary 2: 'Can ethnographic data speak beyond the individual case?

What do cross-case analyses of MYPLACE ethnographies add to our knowledge of youth activism?'

(Hilary Pilkington and Phil Mizen – Discussant Carles Feixa)

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15:30 – 17:15: Second parallel session

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Panel 4: Engaged scepticism?: Political trust and activism - Discussant: Claire Wallace

- Between scepticism and support: a cross-country analysis of young people's attitudes towards Europe (*Mark Ellison, Marius Guderjan, Gary Pollock, Robert Grimm*)
- Political trust and protest activity (*Klaus Levinsen and Carsten Yndigegn*)

Panel 5: Forms of youth activism -Discussant Paul Hodgkinson

- Internet activism (*Airi-Alina Allaste and Marti Taru*)
- Youth, religion and socio-political engagement (*Alexandros Sakelleriou, Alexandra Koranaïou*)

18:00 – 19:00 – MYPLACE Steering Committee (Steering Committee members only)

19:30 Dinner (free time for all delegates)



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9:30-10:30 Plenary 3: What do MYPLACE semi-structured interview data add to our knowledge of young people's civic and political engagement?' – (Florian Sipos – Discussant: Paul Hodgkinson)

(Coffee)

10:45 – 12:30 Third Parallel Session

(2 papers plus discussant per panel)

Panel 5: Austerity and the rebirth of politics - Discussant: Maurice Devlin

- No Way Out of the Labyrinth (*Mick Carpenter, Marti Taru, Lorenza Antonucci*)
- Youth, History and Crisis of Democracy: Perspectives from Croatia (*Ben Perasovic, Marko Mustapic and Renata Franc*)
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Panel 6: History, engagement and ideology - Discussant: Roger Griffin

- Does history matter for young people's political engagement? Assessing the impact of past authoritarianism on young people's political identity and participation in Germany and Spain (*Britta Busse, Mariona Ferrer-Fons, Robert Grimm, Alexandra Hashem-Wangler, Jochen Tholen and Kevin Wolnik*)
- Left or right... or maybe not? Exploring young people's subjective ideological positions in relation to actual attitudes (*Inta Mieriņa and Ilze Koroleva*)

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch

13:45 – 15:30 Fourth Parallel Session

(2 papers plus discussant per panel)

Panel 7: Meanings of Activism - Discussant Emanuele Toscano

- One big family (*Elena Omel'chenko, Ben Perasovic and Hilary Pilkington*)
- Feminist activism in the context of economic crisis and neo-liberalism (*Nickie Charles, Khursheed Wadia, Mariona Ferrer and Airi-Alina Allaste*)

Panel 8: Political heritage and socialisation - Discussant: Olga Shevchenko

- Mnemonic socialisation and intergenerational production of political heritage: perspectives from Britain, Russia and Spain (*Anton Popov, Elena Omel'chenko, Guzel Sabirova, Mariona Ferrer*)
- Historical memory and its transmission in families (*Tamar Khoshtaria, Mariam Kobaladze, Natia Mestvirishvili and Tinatin Zurabishvili*)

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16:15 – 17:30 Rapporteurs round-up of the conference:

Panel:

- Philippe Keraudren (European Commission)
- Howard Williamson (University of South Wales)
- Maurice Devlin (National University of Ireland)
- Claire Wallace (University of Aberdeen)
- Olga Shevchenko (Williams College)
- Roger Griffin (Oxford Brookes University)

To consider:

- Highlights of MYPLACE - what are the most important outcomes of the research?
- Critical reflections on MYPLACE
- Possible future directions for MYPLACE - what future research ideas emerge, where and how could the findings be put into action?

17:30 CLOSE