

Infrastructures of (De)Occupation

This panel series is comprised of two parts: A) Infrastructures of Occupation; B) Infrastructures of Liberation. Full abstracts are available [here](#)

Please note:

1. **russia** is written with a small “r” to signal an activist stance towards the illegitimacy of the present-day russian federation as a political entity; and to mark the commitment of participants to the dismantlement of its infrastructures of violence and subjugation.
2. **No platform sharing:** Ukrainian speakers and participants—and others from territories currently under occupation by the russian federation—have not been asked to share panels with russian-origin participants. No scholars resident in the russian federation or Belarus or affiliated to institutions in either country are taking part in the panel series.

Part A

Infrastructures of occupation: apparatuses of russian (re)coloniality

I: SPATIALITIES & ECONOMIES

Thu, November 21, 12:00 to 1:45pm

Ecem Saricayir, Cornell University (es939@cornell.edu)

From migrants to settlers: A study of russian rural development at the borderlands

Aleksandra Simonova, UC Berkeley (simonova@berkeley.edu)

Chersonesos: Governing the “russian world” through reconstruction and blagoustroistvo

Vera Smirnova, Kansas State University (verasmirnova@ksu.edu)

russia’s property regimes as a spatial technology of occupation

Michał Murawski, University College London (m.murawski@ucl.ac.uk)

Dark reconstruction, or russian worlding: architecture-after-urbicide in Ukraine, Chechnya and Syria

Chair: Da Hyung Jeong, Princeton University (dhj218@nyu.edu)

Discussant: Nikolay Erofeev, University of Kassel (uk089189@uni-kassel.de)

II: IDEOLOGIES & ECOLOGIES

Thu, November 21, 2:00 to 3:45pm

Makar Tereshin, University College London (makar.tereshin.21@ucl.ac.uk)

Dark skies: the political ecology of the Baikonur Cosmodrome

Da Hyung Jeong, Princeton University (dhj218@nyu.edu)

Langston Hughes in Chirchiq, a Model Soviet Town in Socialist Uzbekistan

Francisco Martinez, Tampere University (francisco.martinez@tuni.fi)

New Hideouts for an Old Fear. Energy and Military Infrastructures in Estonia’s Siberia

Chair: Michał Murawski, University College London (m.murawski@ucl.ac.uk)

Discussant: Victoria Donovan, University of St Andrews (vsd2@st-andrews.ac.uk)

III: RESIDUES & CONTESTATIONS

Thu, November 21, 4:00 to 5:45pm

Malgorzata Łukianow, University of Warsaw/University of Michigan (m.lukianow@uw.edu.pl)

Splendid Isolation: the (invisibility of) russian imperial heritage in Poland

Oliver Banatvala, University College London (oliver.banatvala.18@ucl.ac.uk)

Wartime malleability: peace and war within the everyday urban realm

Zayra Badillo-Castro, Center for Advanced Studies of Puerto Rico and the Caribbean
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Soviet infrastructural legacies and 'collapses' in Havana and Tashkent

Natalia Tchernalykh, Université de Genève (REMOTE, PRE-RECORDED)

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Performative Curating: the Ukrainian Decolonial Agenda in Western Museums since 2014

Chair: Ada Wordsworth, University College London (ada.wordsworth.17@alumni.ucl.ac.uk)

Discussant: Adam Przywara, Universität Fribourg (adam.przywara@unifr.ch)

Part B

Infrastructures of Liberation: resistance, reconstruction and de-occupation in the Ukrainian commons

I: SPATIALITIES & ECONOMIES

Fri, November 22, 10:00 to 11:45am

Emily Channell-Justice, Harvard University (echannelljustice@fas.harvard.edu)

Self-organisation as liberation

Ada Wordsworth, University College London (ada.wordsworth.17@alumni.ucl.ac.uk)

Accidentally decentralised reconstruction in Ukraine: the benefits and perils of the grassroots approach

Yuliya Yurchenko, Greenwich University (y.yurchenko@greenwich.ac.uk)

Transnational polycentricity and political prefiguration of Ukraine's social resistance

Daria Anosova, University College London (REMOTE, PRE-RECORDED)

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The Big Flat Construction Site: Contemporary Art Practice and Organization in Ukraine Under the Full-Scale Invasion

Chair: Sofia Dyak, Center for Urban History, Lviv (s.dyak@lvivcenter.org)

Discussant: Adriana Petryna, University of Pennsylvania (petryna@sas.upenn.edu)

II: RESIDUES & AMBIVALENCES

Fri, November 22, 1:30 to 3:15pm

Darya Tsymbalyuk, University of Chicago (tsymbalyuk@uchicago.edu)

The many returns; to over-exist

Svitlana Biedarieva, Universidad Iberoamericana, Ciudad de México & Kyiv School of Economics (svitlana.biedarieva@gmail.com)

Ambicoloniality and the Decolonization of Ukrainian Culture

Victoria Donovan, University of St Andrews (vsd2@st-andrews.ac.uk)

De-occupying the archive: Art as liberatory practice

Olexii Kuchanskyy, Bauhaus University Weimar (REMOTE, PRE-RECORDED)
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Colonial Remnants in the Infrastructure of Archives

Chair/Discussant: Samuel Veremchuk, U. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
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