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### Lecturers from the Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology

[Karolina Bielenin-Lenczowska](#) [1] [CV](#) [2] is a social anthropologist and linguist, associate professor at the Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology; in 2000-2014 she conducted fieldwork in the Republic of Macedonia, and in 2012-14 in Italy. Her research concentrated on everyday practices of Macedonian-speaking Muslim migrants living in Italy, and focused mostly on religious, food, and language practices as well as on the gendered experience of mobility. Currently she carries out research on practices of cultural heritage of the descendants of Polish migrants in Brazil, focusing on food and language. In 2015/16 she was a post-doc fellow at the Department of Anthropology, Federal University of Santa Catarina, Florianópolis.

She authored a book, *Spaghetti with ajvar. Translocal everyday life of Muslims in Macedonia and in Italy* (in Polish, Warsaw 2015), was editor of the book *Neighbourly Ties in the Face of Conflict: Social and Ethnic Relations in Western Macedonia* (in Polish, Warsaw 2009) and has published on Islam, migration, gender and methodology inter alia in the *Anthropological Journal of European Cultures*, *Anthropological Notebooks*, *Etnologia Balkanica* and *Etnologia Polona*. Her main research interests are: migration and mobility, gender studies, social change and cultural heritage.

[Agnieszka Halemba](#) [CV](#) [3] is a social anthropologist specialising in studies of religion. She carried out research in Southern Siberia on transformations of nature cults and shamanism under influence of state ideology and in competition with organised religious traditions. The main results of this research are presented in her book *"The Telengits of Southern Siberia: Landscape, Religion and Knowledge in Motion"* (Routledge 2006). More recently she has worked on transformations in the religious sphere in Ukraine and, to a lesser extent, Slovakia. Her main focus has been on social construction and implications of apparitions of the Virgin Mary. The results will be published shortly in a book *"Negotiating Marian Apparitions: The Politics of Religion in Transcarpathian Ukraine"* (2015, Central European University Press).

[Renata Hryciuk](#) [4] [CV](#) [5]

[Agnieszka Kościńska](#) [6] completed her PhD and her habilitation in cultural anthropology at the University of Warsaw. She is an associate professor in the Department of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology at the University of Warsaw. Her research interests include gender, sexuality, religion, social history of Central Europe under socialism. She is the author of *"The Power of Silence. Gender and Religious Conversion"* (in Polish, 2009) and *"Gender, Pleasure and Violence. The Construction of Expert Knowledge of Sexuality in Poland"* (in Polish, 2014). Her recent publications include:

2016 'Sex on equal terms? Polish sexology on women's emancipation and "good sex" from the 1970s to the present'. *Sexualities*, no. 1-2, pp. 236-256.

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### Guest lecturers

[Juraj Buzalka](#) [CV](#) [9] is an associate professor of social anthropology at the Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences, Comenius University in Bratislava. His research focuses on social and political movements. He is an

author of "Nation and Religion: The Politics of Commemoration in South-east Poland" (Münster: Lit 2007). Currently he is preparing his second monograph on workers and tolerance in Eastern Europe. His recent works include: "Tasting Wine in Slovakia: Post-socialist Elite Consumption of Cultural Particularities", (Rachel E. Black, Robert C. Ulin (eds.). "Wine and Culture: Vineyard to Glass". Bloomsbury Publishing. 2013) and the book of essays "Slovenská ideológia a kríza. Eseje z antropológie politiky" ["Slovak Ideology and Crisis. Essays in Anthropology of Politics"]. Bratislava: Kalligram. 2012. He collaborates with the Research Centre of the Slovak Foreign Policy Association (RC SFPA), and is the editor-in-chief of the Slovak journal OS – Občianska spoločnosť and is a regular feuilletonist of the Czech bimonthly Listy.

**Kateřina Liřková** [CV](#) [10] is an assistant professor in gender studies and sociology at Masaryk University. In the academic year 2012/13 she was a visiting scholar at Columbia University where she conducted her research on sexology and sexuality in communist Czechoslovakia, supported by the Marie Curie International Outgoing Fellowship – European Commission Seventh Framework Programme. Her research is focused on gender, sexuality, and the social organization of intimacy, particularly in Central and Eastern Europe. Previously, she was affiliated with the New School for Social Research as a Fulbright Scholar and as a visiting scholar with New York University. She has lectured at various U.S. universities and her papers have appeared in several monographs published by Routledge, SAGE, Blackwell and Palgrave. In the Czech Republic, her book "Good Girls Look the Other Way, Feminism and Pornography" was published by the Sociological Publishing House (2009).

**Vlad Naumescu** [CV](#) [11]

**Hadley Zaun Renkin** [CV](#) [12]

**Iva Šmídová** [CV](#) [13] is a sociologist, working as an Associate Professor of the Gender Studies Program at the Sociology Department, Faculty of Social Studies, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic. Her long term research interests fall into the category of Critical Studies on Men and Masculinities: alternative life courses of men, men on parental leave, men at childbirth – as fathers and medical professionals etc. Her recent research projects include sociological analysis of the Czech reproductive medicine (childbirth as an analytical subfield), strategies of negotiation of family practices within the context of gendered structure of society with special attention to changing patterns of fatherhood in the Czech society, and choices of education and aspirations on the labour market from a gender perspective. She has also participated in several international projects on men and masculinities and on gender issues more generally.

She has published chapters in edited books, for example: "The Czech Republic: Domination and Silences in Men and Masculinities in Europe" (Whiting & Birch 2005), "Changing Czech Masculinities? Beyond 'Environment And Children Friendly' Men in Intimate Citizenships: Gender, Subjectivity, Politics" (Routledge 2009), co-authored a book in "Czech With gender to the market. Educational strategies and decisions of 15 years old students" (SLON, Praha 2010) and an English book "Games of Life. Czech Reproductive Biomedicine. Sociological Perspectives" (munipress, Brno 2015), contributed to a book "European Perspectives on Men and Masculinities" (Houndmills-Palgrave 2005) and published articles in several sociological journals. In the subfield of medical sociology, she has published an article "Power challenges for head doctors in maternity hospitals: beyond hegemonic masculinities" in a Special Issue "Men and masculinities in the European dimension" of *Studia Humanistyczne AGH* (2015) or "Invisible Lady Doctors and Bald Femininity: Professional Conference in Czech Reproductive Medicine" in *Visual studies: Encounter Imagination. Social Studies/Sociální studia* (2015), and co-edited international thematic issues of journals on *Health And Medicine: Post-Socialist Perspectives. Sociologický časopis/Czech Sociological Review* (2014) or *Muži a mužství/Men and Masculinities. Gender, rovné příležitosti, výzkum/Gender, Equal Opportunities, Research* (2015). She has published chapters in related thematic volumes: *Childbirth, authoritative knowledge in reproductive medicine and masculine hegemony* (Linköping University 2011) and "Do the Right Thing! Do Fathers at Childbirth Bring Diversity to Gender Relations?" (CERM Brno 2011).

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