



## ASN 2010 PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

140 PANELS ON THE BALKANS, CENTRAL EUROPE, RUSSIA, UKRAINE,  
THE CAUCASUS, EURASIA, TURKEY, AND NATIONALISM STUDIES

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The final program of the ASN 2010 World Convention is attached. Updated versions will be posted at [www.nationalities.org](http://www.nationalities.org). The Convention, sponsored by the Harriman Institute, will be held at Columbia University, New York, on **April 15-17, 2010**.

Registration fees are \$70 for ASN members, \$90 for nonmembers, \$50 for students (and a special rate of \$25 for graduate students enrolled in New York universities). Registration forms can be downloaded at < [www.nationalities.org](http://www.nationalities.org) >. For registration information, please contact Erin Carll ([erc2139@columbia.edu](mailto:erc2139@columbia.edu)). For general convention information, contact ASN Executive Director **Gordon Bardos** (< [gmb12@columbia.edu](mailto:gmb12@columbia.edu) > or 212 854 8487).

As always, the Convention boasts the most international lineup of panelists of North American-based conventions, with more than half of the 425+ scholars, from 45 countries, who will be delivering papers currently based outside of the United States. More than 750 panelists and participants are expected at the convention. The program features 140 panels, *including the screening of several new documentaries that will be announced later*.

The Convention program features a significant contingent of papers and panels on the theme of **"History, Politics, and Memory."** This special feature enriches an exceptionally strong lineup of panels in all regions of the former Communist world and Eurasia: Russia, the Caucasus, Central Asia/Turkey/China, the Balkans, Ukraine and Central Europe (including the Baltics and Moldova). Every year, the Program Committee has to be more selective in devising the lineup, due to the increasing number of proposals. The Central Europe section leads the way with 22 panels, followed by the Balkans—20, Ukraine and Belarus—12, Russia and Eurasia—11 each, Nationalism Studies—10, the Caucasus—8, and Turkey—7. Eleven panels appear in the "Thematic" section. Recurrent topics throughout the program include the Mass Violence, War Tribunals, the European Union, Ethnographic Research, Ethnic Minorities, Citizenship and Diasporas.

The Convention will be hosting thirteen special panels featuring new important books by **Yoshiko Herrera** (*Measuring Identity: A Guide for Social Scientists*, Cambridge 2009), **Ed Schatz** (*Political Ethnography: What Immersion Contributes to the Study of Power*, Chicago 2009), **Emma Gilligan** (*Terror in Chechnya*, Princeton 2009), **Alexander B. Downes** (*Targeting Civilians at War*, Cornell 2008), **Lee Ann Fujii** (*Killing Neighbors: Web of Violence in Rwanda*, Cornell 2009), **Peter Andreas**, *Blue Helmets and Black Markets: The Business of Survival in the Siege of Sarajevo*, Cornell 2008), **Serhii Plokhyy** (*Yalta: The Price of Peace*, Viking 2010), **David Crowe** (*The Holocaust: Roots, History, and*

*Aftermath*, Westview 2008), **Anton Weiss-Wendt** (*Murder without Hatred: Estonians and the Holocaust*, Syracuse 2009), **Serguei Oushakine** (*The Patriotism of Despair: Nation, War, and Loss in Russia*, Cornell 2009), **Vejas Liulevicius** (*The German Myth of the East: 1800 to the Present*, Oxford 2009), **Holly Case** (*Between States: The Transylvanian Question and the European Idea during World War II*, Stanford 2009), and **Jonathan Gumz** (*The Resurrection and Collapse of Empire in Habsburg Serbia, 1914-1918*, Cambridge 2009).

Three of these book panels are part of the section **"Theories of Nationalism,"** now in its seventh year at the ASN Convention, which offers a platform for the latest trends in nationalism studies worldwide. Ten more panels appear in the Nationalism section, such as **"Third-Party Nation-Building," "Nationalism and Violence: A Micro-Perspective," "The Study of Mass Violence and Genocide"** and **"Measuring Identity"**.

Since 2005, the ASN Convention has acknowledged excellence in graduate studies research by offering Awards for Best Doctoral Student Papers in five sections: Russia/Ukraine/Caucasus, Central Asia/Eurasia, Central Europe, Balkans, and Nationalism Studies.

The winners at the 2009 Convention were **Sofia Sebastian** (LSE, UK) for the Balkans, **Jennie Schulze** (George Washington U, US) for Central Europe, **Erik Scott** (UC Berkeley, US) for Russia/Ukraine/Caucasus, **Fredrik Sjoberg** (Harvard U, US/Uppsala U, Sweden) and **Barbara Junisbai** (Indiana U, US) for Central Eurasia, and **Laia Balcells** (Yale U, US) for Nationalism Studies. More than 125 doctoral students will be eligible for the awards at the 2009 Convention.

The 2010 Convention will also inaugurate **The Joseph Rothschild Prize in Nationalism and Ethnic Studies**, sponsored by the Harriman Institute at Columbia University, for the most outstanding book published in 2009 on Russia, Eastern Europe or Eurasia in which substantial attention is paid to questions of ethnicity and/or nationalism. The announcement will be made at the opening reception.

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We look forward to seeing you at the convention! Cordially, Dominique Arel, ASN President, Gordon N Bardos, Convention Executive Director on behalf of the ASN Convention Organizing Committee.