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Conference Programme

Friday, 23 March 2018

Venue: Elvin Hall, Rm. 104, UCL Institute of Education, 20 Bedford Way, London, WC1H 0AL

9:00 – 9:45 Registration. Coffee/Tea.
9:45 – 10:00 Conference Opening and Welcome Address

History & Memory (Elvin Hall)
Moderator: Stephen Hall
10:00 – 11:30

Alena Marková, Making a New History: Challenges and Options of the Contemporary Belarusian History.


Daniela Kolenovská, Hero or Anti-hero of the Belarusian Independence Project?

Social & Political Movements (Elvin Hall)
Moderator: Prof Yaraslau Kryvoi
11:30 – 13:00

Kristiina Silvan, Nomenklatura of Tomorrow? Belarusian Republican Youth Union as a Career Ladder in Contemporary Belarus

Julia Natalie Falconer-O'Regan, *The Disappearing Identity of the Belarusian Diaspora in Poland.*

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch break

**Foreign Policy** (Elvin Hall)
Moderator: Prof Andrew Wilson
14:00 – 15:30

Prof Uladzimir Snapkouski, History of Foreign Policy of the Republic of Belarus: Belarusian and Foreign Sources


Tatsiana Shaban, *Media Perceptions of the European Union and Russia in Belarus.*

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee Break

**Research in Progress** (Elvin Hall)
Moderator: Dr Karalina Matskievich
15:45 – 17:45

Prof Arnold McMillin, *History and Myth in Young Belarusian Proseose at the Start of This Century.*


Vitali Byl, *Witchcraft at the religious borderland: the case of Early Modern Ruthenian Greek Catholic Church.*


Lisa Margetts, *Psychodynamic music therapy and the work of classroom practitioners working with children with complex needs in Belarus*

Annual London Lecture on Belarusian Studies: Belarusian state- and nation-formation: from Polatsk principality to Independent Belarus (Elvin Hall)

Moderator: Prof Yaraslau Kryvoi

18:00 – 19:00

Speaker: Alena Marková, Assistant Professor at the Department of Historical Sociology, Faculty of Humanities, Charles University in Prague.

19:00 – Close Reception

On 22–25 March 2018 other events will take place in London to commemorate the 100th anniversary of proclamation of the Belarusian People’s Republic. Please check the [Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com) of the Anglo-Belarusian Society.