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SEPTEMBER 22. ERESS

10.30-10.50. Welcoming remarks by Grégory Dufaud (CNRS/CERMES3), Ioulia Kremenets (Geneva University), Alexei Yurchak (University of California, Berkeley), Larissa Zakhareva (EHESS/CEREC).

10.50-11.35. Inaugural lecture by Nikolai Kremenets (University of Toronto), The Valley of New Life (1928): Between Science and Fiction.

11.30-12.10. Discussant: Anna Åberg (Chalmers University of Technology).

12.30-14.00. Lunch.


15.00-15.20. Discussant: Michael Novak (Higher School of Economics, Moscow).


15.30-16.10. Discussant: Antonia Fóss (Geneva University).


16.00-16.20. Discussant: Mieka Erley (Colgate University, Hamilton NY, USA).


17.10-17.30. Discussant: Anna Åberg (Chalmers University of Technology).

17.20-17.40. Discussant: Alexei Yurchak (University of California, Berkeley).

17.30-17.50. Discussant: Mari'起步 (University of British Columbia).

FICITION, SCIENCE, AND POWER (1917-1991)

SEPTEMBER 23. INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDIES OF PARIS

POWER AND AMBIVALENCE OF SCIENCE (09.00-10.50)
Chair: François Dauzé (EHESS/CEREC/IFR) .

09.00-09.20. Daniela Stella (University of Turin): Statistics and the Utopia of a Global Control.

09.20-09.40. Leonid Heller (Lausanne University): The Total Body of a New Man: Projected, Prosthetic and Trained Organs.


10.00-10.20. Discussant: Ejlø Rintzlevsriviste (Kingston University London).

10.20-10.40. Discussion.

10.50-11.00. Coffee break.

THE ENERGY OF SOCIALISM (11.10-13.00)
Chair: Leonor Kopernik (University of British Columbia).


11.50-12.10. Discussant: Anna Åberg (Chalmers University of Technology).


12.30-14.00. Lunch.

THE QUEST FOR IMMORTALITY (14.00-16.20)
Chair: Catherine Depretto (University Paris IV).


15.00-15.20. Discussant: Kommu Åberg (Chalmers University of Technology).


15.40-16.00. Discussion.

16.00-16.20. Coffee break.

PROFESSIONAL MILIEUX OF UTOPIA (16.40-18.40)
Chair: Alexander Dmitriev (Higher School of Economics, Moscow).


17.40-18.00. Discussant: Alexei Kopernik (University of British Columbia).

18.00-18.30. Discussion.


SEPTEMBER 24. BULAC

UTOPIAN HUMAN SCIENCES AND DIDACTIC FICTION (09.30-12.00)
Chair: Ioulia Kremenets (Geneva University).

09.30-09.50. Steven Lee (UC Berkeley): The Ethnic Utopias of Nikolai Mam and the Soviet Avant-Garde.

09.50-10.10. Merka Erley (Colgate University, Hamilton NY, USA): Soviet Palaeoanthropology in Vladimir Obruchev’s Lost Worlds.


10.50-11.10. Discussant: Aleksandr Dmitriev (Higher School of Economics, Moscow).


11.50-12.10. Lunch.

NEW WORLDS, NEW FIELDS OF KNOWLEDGE (13.10-15.00)
Chair: Alexei Yurchak (University of California, Berkeley).


14.30-15.00. Discussion.

15.00-15.20. Coffee break.

SOCIALIST UTOPIANS GO GLOBAL (15.20-17.10)
Chair: Nikolai Kremenets (University of Toronto).


16.40-17.10. Discussion.

17.10-17.40. Concluding remarks.