



**TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE  
WITHOUT TRANSITION?  
REDRESSING PAST INJUSTICES  
UNDER STATE SOCIALISM**

**International Conference**

FRIAS, Albertstr. 19 / February 21-23, 2019

**Keynote:** Nanci Adler “The Future of the Soviet Past: Russia and the Challenge of the Age of Transitional Justice”  
Lecture Hall, FRIAS / February 22, 17:00

**Speakers:**

Samuel Casper	Flora Lichaa	Isabelle Thireau
Mark Czeller	Yi Lu	Sebastian Veg
Marc Elie	Andrei Muraru	Martin Weiser
Puck Engman	Qin Shao	Matthew Wills
Qian He	Agnes Schick-Chen	Long Yang
Huajie Jiang	Steve Smith	Zhaojin Zeng
Daniel Leese	Guoqing Song	Man Zhang

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## Transitional Justice without Transition? Redressing Past Injustices under State Socialism

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### February 21

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14:00-14:15 Introduction

14:15-16:15 Chair: Daniel Leese  
 Comments: Isabelle Thireau

**Qin Shao** (The College of New Jersey)

The Limit of Transitional Justice from Mao to Post-Mao: A Case Study in Shanghai

**Puck Engman** (University of Freiburg)

What Protection of Ownership when Rebellion is Justified? Standards of Entitlement during and after the Chinese Cultural Revolution

**Zhaojin Zeng** (University of Pittsburgh)

Between Mao's Revolution, Chinese Traditions, and Modern Law: Reclaiming Property Rights in Post-Reform China

16:15-16:45 Coffee break

16:45-18:45 Chair: Marc Elie  
 Comments: Steve Smith

**Andrei Muraru** (National University of Political Studies and Public Administration-Bucharest)

The Rehabilitation Process in Communist Romania: From the 'Thaw' under Gheorghiu-Dej to the Fake de-Stalinization under Ceaușescu. A Comparative Perspective

**Guoqing Song** (University of Freiburg)

Reparation, Compensation, and Rehabilitation: The Case of the Guangxi Killings

**Huajie Jiang** (East China Normal University)

Redressing Past Injustices inside the Chinese Academy of Sciences: Revisiting He Ding's Diary (1966-1979)

19:30 Conference Dinner

## February 22

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- 9:00-11:00 Chair: Qin Shao  
Comments: Marc Elie
- Samuel Casper** (Hunter College and The Cooper Union)  
Making Rehabilitation Work in the Post-Stalin Soviet Union: The Case of the Naneishvili-Kosarevs
- Mark Czeller** (University of Oxford)  
'Summarizing the Lessons of History': The Investigation and Criticism of Early-PRC 'Leftism' in Guangdong during the Second Decade of the Post-Mao Era
- Long Yang** (University of Oxford)  
The Long Shadow of the Socialist Education Movement: Rural Cadres, Disciplinary Organs, and the Redress of Injustices in the Early Post-Mao Era, 1979-1983
- 11:00-11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30-13:30 Chair: Zhaojin Zeng  
Comments: Sebastian Veg
- Yi Lu** (Harvard University)  
Red Revolution, Black Materials: Archival Self in Mao's China
- Matthew Wills** (University of California San Diego)  
Bibliographic Iconoclasm: Censoring the Cultural Revolution and the "Gang of Four," 1976-1980
- Qian He** (University of Washington)  
Unmasking as Justice: Image and the Trial of the Gang of the Four
- 13:30-14:30 Lunch (only for speakers)
- 14:30-16:30 Chair: Steve Smith  
Comments: Agnes Schick-Chen
- Man Zhang** (University of Freiburg)  
Narrative Scripts and Voices of Alleged Perpetrators of the Cultural Revolution
- Flora Lichaa** (EHESS)  
Bringing Illegitimate Memory to Life - An Analysis of the Documentary Films He Fengming and Dead Souls
- Sebastian Veg** (EHESS)  
Confessing and Repenting: The *chanhuilu* Column of *Yanhuang Chunqiu*
- 16:30-17:00 Coffee break
- 17:00-18:30 Public Keynote (FRIAS Lecture Hall)  
**Nanci Adler** (University of Amsterdam)  
The Future of the Soviet Past: Russia and the Challenge of the Age of Transitional Justice
- 19:30 Conference Dinner

## February 23

- 9:00-11:00 Chair: Isabelle Thireau  
Comments: Nanci Adler
- Martin Weiser**  
Transitional Justice in North Korea: Contextualizing Limited Evidence for a Least-Likely Case
- Agnes Schick-Chen** (University of Vienna)  
Re-Theorizing Justice in Late Transition: Explanatory Justice and the Case of Socialist China
- Daniel Leese** (University of Freiburg)  
The Politics of Historical Justice after the Death of Mao Zedong in Perspective
- 11:00-11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30-13:00 Moderator: **Daniel Leese** (University of Freiburg)
- Roundtable
- Steve Smith** (University of Oxford)
- Isabelle Thireau** (EHESS)
- Marc Elie** (EHESS)
- 13:00-13:30 Final discussion and publication plans
- 13:30 Farewell Lunch (only for speakers)

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