

# **Restorative Justice in Ukraine: (Not) Coping with Soviet State Crimes from 1991 until Today**

## **Opening Workshop**

### **“Socialist State Crime and Post-Socialist Legal Reactions in Eastern Europe”**

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## **PROGRAMME**

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#### **Place of event:**

Institute for East European Law, Room 213, Landshuter Str. 4, 93047 Regensburg  
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- 09:00 – 09:10                      **Welcome Speech**  
*Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Herbert Küpper*, Managing Director of the  
Institute for East European Law, Regensburg / Chair of  
European Public Law and its Foundations, Andrassy University  
Budapest
- 09:10 – 09:50                      **Restorative and Transnational Justice in International Law**  
*Prof. Dr. Robert Uerpmann-Witzack*, Chair of Public Law and  
International Law, University Regensburg
- 09:50 – 10:30                      **Soviet Injustice in Soviet Ukraine. A Historical Approach**  
*Prof. Dr. Katrin Boeckh*, Research Associate, History  
Department, Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European  
Studies, Regensburg
- 10:30 – 11:00                      **Coping Legally with the Injustice of Former Socialist  
Regimes: a Comparative Overview**  
*Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Herbert Küpper*, Managing Director of the  
Institute for East European Law, Regensburg / Chair of  
European Public Law and its Foundations, Andrassy University  
Budapest  
  
For more details see the Working Paper No. 1 on the project  
website at: [https://nachkriegsukraine.de/wp-  
content/uploads/2024/04/Working-Paper-Nr-1.pdf](https://nachkriegsukraine.de/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/Working-Paper-Nr-1.pdf)
- 10:50 – 11:20                      Coffee break
- 11:20 – 11:50                      **Demythologizing the Russian-Soviet Narratives**  
*Prof. Dr. Volodymyr Steshenko*, Chair of the Department of  
International Law, Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University,  
Kharkiv
- 11:50 – 12:20                      **The Soviet regime in Ukraine and its current policy  
of providing criminal law protection of historical memory**  
*Prof. Dr. Yevhen Pysmenskyi*, Head of the Department of Police  
Activities at the E.O. Didorenko Luhansk Educational &  
Scientific Institute of the Donetsk State University of Internal  
Affairs, Kropyvnytskyi (Online)

- 12:20 – 12:50                    **Decommunization in Ukraine in the period 2014-2024:  
A comprehensive overview** (Ukrainian with German  
translation)  
*Yaryna Yasynevysh*, Member of the commission for drafting the  
laws on decommunization, Kyiv (Online)
- 12:50 – 13:20                    **Legal and Political Background to coming to terms with  
National Socialist Injustice in West Germany**  
*Prof. Dr. Martin Löhnig*, Chair of Civil Law, German and  
European Legal History and Canon Law, University Regensburg  
/ Scientific Director of the Institute for East European Law,  
Regensburg
- 13:20 – 14:00                    Lunch buffet: Institute for East European Law,  
Landshuter Str. 4, 93047 Regensburg
- 14:00 – 14:30                    **Actual issues of compensation for damages to victims  
of crimes in modern Ukrainian conditions**  
*Dr. Dmytro Pylypenko*, Assoc. Prof., Head of the Department  
of Criminal Law Disciplines, Faculty No. 2, Kryvyi Rih  
Educational and Scientific Institute of the Donetsk State  
University of Internal Affairs, Kropyvnytskyi (Online)
- 14:30 – 15:00                    **Creating a legal framework for the rehabilitation of victims  
of political repression under the Soviet penal repressive  
regime in Ukraine: practical problems and challenges**  
(Ukrainian with German translation)  
*Prof. Dr. Serhiy Adamovych*, Head of the Department of Legal  
Theory and State, Law Institute, Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian  
National University, Ivano-Frankivsk (Online)
- 15:00 – 15:30                    **Restorative (rehabilitative) justice in Ukraine in the context  
of protection of the rights of the Crimean Tatar people  
in Ukraine**  
*Dr. Yevhenii Tkachenko*, Assoc. Prof., Lecturer of Constitutional  
Law of Ukraine, Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University,  
Kharkiv
- 15:30 – 16:00                    Coffee break

- 16:00 – 16:30                      **Ukrainian politics of memory in the context of the Russian-Ukrainian war** (Ukrainian with German translation)  
*Dr. Volodymyr Viatrovysh*, Deputy of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, co-author of the laws on decommunization, Kyiv (Online)
- 16:30 – 17:00                      **The activity of the Ukrainian Institute of National Memory in relation to the decolonisation of public space in Ukraine** (Ukrainian with German translation)  
*Dr. Vitaliy Baka*, Research Associate, Ukrainian Institute of National Memory, Kyiv (Online)
- 17:00 – 17:30                      **The Institute of National Remembrance in Poland**  
*Tina de Vries*, Lawyer, Senior Researcher for Polish Law, Institute for East European Law, Regensburg
- 17:30 – 17:50                      Coffee break
- 17:50 – 18:20                      **KGB archives in Ukraine: history and legislative regulation**  
*Andriy Kohut*, Head of the Archive of the Security Service of Ukraine (Online)
- 18:20 – 18:50                      **Coming to terms with GDR Injustice**  
*Axel Bormann*, Lawyer, Senior Researcher for Romanian Law, Institute for East European Law, Regensburg
- 18:50 – 19:15                      **Legal regulation of the lustration in Ukraine: how effective?**  
*Oles Koterlin*, LL.M., Lecturer, Research assistant, Maqsut Narikbayev University (Online)
- 19:15 – 19:30                      Summary and concluding discussion
- 19:30                                      Dinner together: Ristorante “Akademiesalon”, Andreasstr. 28, 93059 Regensburg