



WORKSHOP

Victims, Martyrs, Heroes in Europe, the Caucasus and Russia:

Sacrifice and Christianity in Anthropological Perspective

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Programme

10.00 – 10.45 *Galia Valtchinova*, CETOBaC / Université de Toulouse II Jean-Jaurès: Whose Sacrifice ? The “martyrs of communism” in postsocialist Bulgaria, from discourses to field research

10.45 – 11.30 *Yulia Antonian*, Yerevan State University: From the religious wars of the 5th century to the Karabakh war of 2020: sacrifice as the main political metaphor of Armenian history

11.30 – 12.15 *Sergei Shtyrkov*, YCIE / GSRL, EPHE-PAUSE: “God will provide Himself a lamb”: The thematisation of the sacrificial victim’s belonging in ritual and narrative

12.15 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 14.45 *Pierluigi Lanfranchi*, Aix-Marseille Université : «Que mon sang puisse cimenter le bonheur des Français» : Sacrificial imagery in the revolutionary and royalist discourse on killing Louis XVI

14.45 – 15.30 *Jeanne (Zhanna) Kormina*, YCIE / GSRL, EPHE-PAUSE: Visual Language of Matryrdom: Tsar Nicholas and his Self-Sacrifice in Orthodox Icons

15.30 – 16.15 *Olivier Givre*, Université Lumière Lyon 2 - UMR EVS – From “pop star” to “our angel”: the life, death and afterlife of Toše Proeski (Republic of Macedonia).

16.15 – 17.00 General discussion. Discussant: *Detelina Tocheva*, CNRS-GSRL

Zoom link: <https://cnrs.zoom.us/j/92649267484?pwd=LpGUSqGI0TFCmdbb6zN8hmoXmnIUke.1>

Venue: Groupe Sociétés, Religions, Laïcités, Room 5.067, 5th floor, Bâtiment de recherche Nord, Campus Condorcet, 14, cours des Humanités

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