

Fact Sheet:

Resistance and Collaboration under Communism

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Event Description:

One day workshop in which the central theme is resistance and collaboration of religious groups' members and leaders with political authorities (Communist Party structures, but also the police and secret police forces) in communist Europe after World War II.

Addressing questions such as: How do we get access and aptly deal with the sensitive material stored by repressive political police forces? How much credit researchers should give to secret information that cannot be corroborated from other sources? How did informers, as "lay sociologists," interpret and construct the information they gathered before they passed it on to the respective authorities? Why and when did faithful and religious leaders opt for resistance or collaboration?

Results Dissemination:

A special issue of *Eurostudia*, the online journal of the Centre canadien d'études allemandes et européennes' online:

Barbara Thériault and Lucian Turcescu. (2015). "From Today's Observation Post: Collaboration and Resistance," *Eurostudia*, 10(1):v-x.