#### 12.20-12.40

Kateryna Budz University of Edinburgh

'A Different Rite, but the Same Faith': The Relations between the Greek Catholics and the Roman Catholics in the Soviet Union

#### 15.00-15.20

15.20-15.40

(L'viv)

Memory

Liliana Hentosh

Anatolii Babynskyi (online) University of Notre Dame Exiled Shepherds: Ukrainian Greek Catholic Bishops and the Persecuted Church in Soviet Ukraine, 1958–1978

Ukrainian Catholic University

Soviet Propaganda and

Metropolitan Sheptytskyi's

Image in Ukrainian Collective

#### 12.40-13.00

Nelia Martsinkiv (online) Duquesne University (Pittsburgh)

The Role of Religiosity and Local Traditions in the Ukrainian Dissident Movement

#### 13.00–13.30 Discussion

Moderated by Semion Lyandres

#### **13.30–14.40** Lunch break

Lunch break

#### Panel V

Ukrainian Greek Catholic Believers and Hierarchs: Between Soviet Propaganda and Real Stories of Survival

#### 14.40-15.00

Svitlana Hurkina Ukrainian Catholic University (L'viv)

The Soviet 'War against the Vatican' and the Ukrainian Greek Catholics in the Post-World War II Era

## 15.40-16.00

Anca Sincan (online) Research Centre for Humanities (Budapest) Nihil de nobis sine nobis! The Underground Romanian Greek Catholic Church in the 1970s

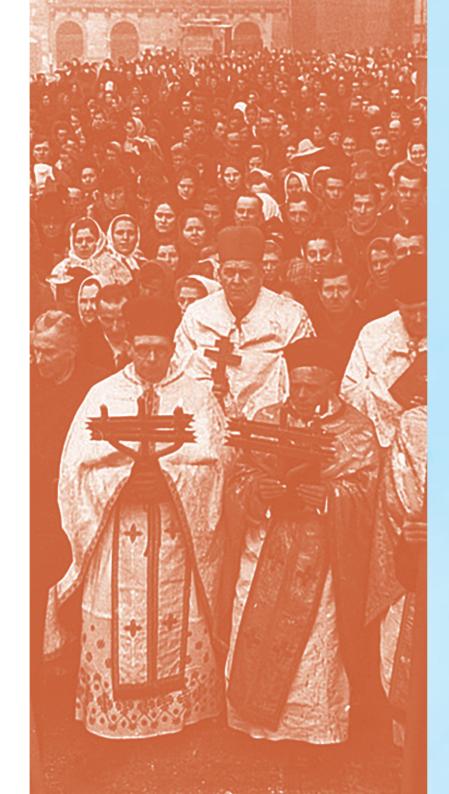
16.00–16.30 Discussion Moderated by Roman Wysocki

16.30–17.00 Book presentation

\_\_\_\_\_

17.00–18.00 Final discussion

**18.00–19.30** Dinner



#### Organisation

Dr. Viktoriia Serhiienko (GHI Warsaw) Prof. Dr. Miloš Řezník (GHI Warsaw) Dr. Oleh Turiy (UCU L'viv)

#### Contact

Dr. Viktoriia Serhiienko German Historical Institute Warsaw al. Ujazdowskie 39 00-540 Warszawa +48 22 525 83 16 serhiienko@dhi.waw.pl

The conference will be translated simultaneously from English to Polish and from Polish to English.

Konferencja będzie tłumaczona symultanicznie z języka angielskiego na polski i z polskiego na angielski.

dhi.waw.pl f /DHIWarschau

Ein Institut der



Deutsche Geisteswissenschaftliche Institute im Ausland



# **Silenced Church**

The Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church Between the Soviet Authorities and the Vatican (1944–1978)

# **International Conference**

15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024 German Historical Institute Warsaw



Niemiecki Instytut Historyczny w Warszawie After the Second World War, the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church found itself in a situation where its leadership had to deal with the Soviet authorities on its own. After the liquidation "councils", starting with the L'viv Council in 1946 and ending with the Council of Prešov in 1950, the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church strived to survive in underground. At the same time, it became a hostage to attempts of establishing a political dialogue between Moscow and the Vatican, as well as to the search for ecumenical dialogue between the Catholic and the Russian Orthodox Church. During this conference, we would like to discuss, how all those projects affected the situation in western Ukraine on the ground. How did the Vatican policies develop and how did those developments influence the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church?

In addition to the triangle (Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, the Soviet authorities, the Vatican), our conference aims to reveal and analyse the influence of such actors as the Russian Orthodox Church, the Ukrainian nationalist underground, the Roman Catholic bishops, primarily of those countries where Greek Catholics lived, the Ukrainian diaspora, etc. While the main focus will be on Ukraine, emphasis will be put on transregional perspectives, as well.

# Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> February

9.00–9.15 Welcome speech and opening Miloš Řezník and Oleh Turiy

## 9.15–9.30

**Introduction to the conference** Viktoriia Serhiienko

#### 9.30-10.00

Keynote lecture Gerhard Simon (online) University of Cologne The Temporary Liquidation of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in Soviet Galicia

#### 10.00-10.20

Viktoriia Serhiienko GHI Warsaw Declassified Vatican Archive for Pius XII's Pontificate and the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church: Research Challenges and Prospects

## 10.20-10.40

Discussion Moderated by Natalia Shlikhta

#### **10.40–11.10** Coffee break

Panel I Post-War Liquidations of Greek-Catholic Church Structures

#### 11.10–11.30 Roman Skakun (online)

Ukrainian Catholic University (L'viv) The "L'viv Council" of 1946 as a Soviet Secret Police Operation: A Case of Building and Employing an Agent Network within a Religious Denomination

#### 11.30-11.50

Natalia Shlikhta National University of Kyiv – Mohyla Academy (Kyiv) A Separate Model of "Reunification"? On the Liquidation of the Greek Catholic Church in Transcarpathia (1940s–1960s)

#### 11.50-12.10

Jan Pisuliński University of Rzeszów Przesiedlenie ludności ukraińskiej a Kościół greckokatolicki w Polsce podczas i po II wojnie światowej

#### 12.10-12.30

Yavhen Usoshyn (online) Independent researcher Stan Kościoła białoruskiego grecko-katolickiego w końcu i po II wojnie światowej 12.30–12.50 Discussion Moderated by Oleh Turiy

**12.50–14.00** Lunch break

#### Panel II

Ad fontes. Studies on the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in Historical Sources

#### 14.00-14.20

Nadezhda Beliakova University of Bielefeld From the 'Underground' to the State Archives: Unraveling the Specifics of Soviet State Documents on the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church's Experience in the 1970s

#### 14.20-14.40

Władysław Bułhak Institute of National Remembrance (Warsaw) Tajne aspekty polityki wschodniej Watykanu w czasie zimnej wojny: Wątek ukraiński

## 14.40-15.00

Katrin Boeckh (online) Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (Regensburg) The Greek Catholic Church in the Diplomacy between the Holy See and the Kremlin

#### 15.00-15.20

Kerstin Jobst University of Vienna A Ukrainian-Catholic Saint on the Run. The 'Rescue' of the Relics of St. Jozafat from Occupied Vienna

#### 15.20-15.50

Discussion Moderated by Franziska Schedewie

## 15.50-16.20

Coffee break

## 16.20-17.30

Round table discussion

Giving the Word to Silenced Church: New Sources and Approaches to the Study of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church Andrzej Grajewski, Rafał Łatka, Natalia Shlikhta, Jaroslav Skira, Oleh Turiy Moderated by Viktoriia Serhiienko

#### 18.00-20.00

Book Presentation Andrii Portnov "Polska i Ukraina: Wspólna historia, asymetryczna pamięć"

# Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> February

Panel III Between Resistance and Cooperation: Greek Catholics in Soviet Ukraine and Eastern Bloc

#### 9.00-9.20

Anna Bisikalo Harvard University (Cambridge) Adaptations of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church under Different Legal Regimes in Soviet Ukraine and Communist Poland, 1957–1968

#### 9.20-9.40

Igor Hałagida University of Gdańsk Kościół greckokatolicki w Polsce w okresie "małej stabilizacji"

#### 9.40-10.00

Taras Bublyk (online) Ukrainian Catholic University (L'viv)

The Case of Aesculapius: the Problem of Episcopal Succession in the L'viv Archdiocese in the 1950s–1970s

#### 10.00-10.20

Zsofia Kiss-Kökenyessy (online) Eötvös Loránd University (Budapest)

"Prohibited, Tolerated, Supported". The Situation of the Hungarian Greek Catholic Church in Hungary between 1950–1990 10.20–10.40 Peter Šturák (online) University of Prešov Persecution of the Greek Catholic Church in Slovakia by the Totalitarian Regime in 1945–1968

10.40–11.10 Discussion Moderated by Kerstin Jobst

**11.10–11.40** Coffee break

Panel IV Dialog between Ukrainian Greek Catholics, Roman Catholics, and Christian Atheists

11.40–12.00 Jaroslav Skira University of Toronto

Incarceration in the Gulag to Exile in Rome: Josyf Cardinal Slipyj's Memoirs, his Presence at the Second Vatican Council and Their Relevance for Today

#### 12.00-12.20

**Iryna Hnidyk** L'viv Polytechnic National University

A Voice from the Silence: Representation of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church at the Second Vatican Council