The Solidarities of Communism: Trade Unions and Social Policy in Eastern Europe
A Symposium of the Polish Studies Center, Indiana University

Friday, October 22, 1-5 PM
Kelley School of Business Graduate Center, CG 3046

1PM: Welcome: Padraic Kenney, Director, Polish Studies Center

1:15-3:00 Session 1: Workers and Consumers in Communist Eastern Europe

Presenters:
Brigitte LeNormand, Indiana University-Southeast: “The House that Socialism Built: Reform, Consumption and Inequality in Postwar Yugoslavia”
Malgorzata Fidelis, University Of Illinois-Chicago: “Trade Unions And The Question Of Gender Equality In Postwar Poland, 1945-49”
Comment: Padraic Kenney, Indiana University

3:15-4.45 Session 2: The Social Contract of Polish Communism

Presenters:
Gerald Beyer, Saint Joseph’s University: “The Discourse and Ideals of Solidarność: Beyond Communism Towards a Republic of Equals”
Comment: Jack Bielasiak, Indiana University

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“The Communist Information Monopoly in Poland, and How Polish Opposition Broke It Up.”

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