



INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP



Beyond the Iron Curtain

Political Exile, International Migration, and Anti-Communist Networks during the Cold War

WHEN

Tuesday, 3 November 2026

10.00–14.00

Hybrid event • on site and on Zoom

KEYNOTE

Martin Nekola

MODERATOR

Florin-Răzvan Mihai

WHERE

Casa Academiei Române, Bucharest

Institutul de Cercetare a Calității Vieții, Aripa Vest, etaj 2,
sala 2-374

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Liliana Corobca

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OPENING REMARKS

Florin ABRAHAM, director of the National Institute for the Study of Totalitarianism (NIST)

10.15–10.45

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Martin NEKOLA, independent researcher

Cooperation of the Czech and Romanian Cold War exiles

10.45–11.15

Q&A

11.15–11.30

COFFEE BREAK

11.30–13.45

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Moderator: Florin-Răzvan MIHAI, NIST

Liliana COROBICA, Institute for the Investigation of Communist Crimes and the Memory of the Romanian Exile (IICCMER)

An epistolary novel of the Romanian exile by Alexandru Busuioceanu and the first period of the postwar Romanian exile (1945–1956)

Ana Maria CĂTĂNUȘ, NIST

The Voice of Exile: Romanian Paris and the Struggle for Freedom of Expression

Anca STÂNGACIU, Faculty of European Studies, Babeș-Bolyai University

Geopolitics and Parallel Diplomacy versus the Romanian Political Exile

Ioana MACREA-TOMA, The Vera and Donald Blinken Open Society Archives (OSA)/Central European University (CEU)

Human Rights and the Romanian Exile: Political Intervention or Humanitarian Action?

13.45–14.00

CONCLUDING REMARKS