

# Winter School on Balticness 2022 Programme

## Imagining Balticness: Transformation and Identity Politics

**When:** 1 March – 9 March 2022

**Where:** Gdańsk, Poland, at European Solidarity Centre and the University of Gdańsk

**Day of Arrival** (Monday, 28 February, afternoon)

### Day 1: Thor, Pippi, Putin – The Power of Myth - Metatheoretical Framing (1 March)

Texts: Roland Barthes: Mythologies; Jerome Bruner: The Narrative Construction of Reality.

Morning programme: Seminar with Dr. Karolina Drozdowska

Lunch break

Afternoon programme: Interrogation of the worlds we live by with Dr. Karolina Drozdowska

Dinner

Evening programme: Intro: My Way to the Baltics – students' individual narratives

### Day 2: The Reach of Myths - Spatial and Temporal Dimensions (2 March)

Text: Nibert Goetz: Baltic Worlds, Maps and Mapping

Morning programme: Seminar on Borders with Dr. Alexander Drost

Lunch break

Afternoon programme: Spatial Imaginations of BSR – Painting Dialogues Workshop by Dr. Małgorzata Karczmarzyk

Dinner

Evening programme: My Way to the Baltics – students' individual narratives

### Day 3: My “Myth” – Interpreting Markers of Balticness (interactive part) (3 March)

Text on Belonging **TBC**

Morning programme: Seminar with Przemysław Witkowski

Lunch break

Afternoon programme: Song text and misuse/ re-interpretation of symbols/meanings, Andrey Valodkin **TBC**

Dinner

### Day 4: Myths of Equality: Social Inequality (4 March)

Morning programme: Workshop with Dominika Polanska PhD, Södertörn

Lunch break

Afternoon programme: City Tour: Signs and Interpretations of Urban Inequality in Gdansk

Dinner

Evening programme: My Way to the Baltics – students' individual narratives

### Day 5: The Migrant View on Equality and their sense of belonging (5 March)

Morning programme: Introduction to the most important migration issues and situations of migrants in Central and Eastern Europe and the Baltic States: Dr. Magdalena Muszel (30 min.)

• Guest Lecturers:

- Representatives of the Migrants' Council in Gdansk (30-45 min.)
- Monika Popow and Marta Siciarek about Integration Minimum Standard accepted by local municipality of Gdańsk. (30 min.)

• Visit to the Support Centre for Immigrants in Gdańsk

Lunch break

Afternoon programme: Visiting the Emigration Museum in Gdynia

Dinner

Evening programme: My Way to the Baltics – students' individual narratives

**Day 6: Love Your Country, Love Your Neighbour, Whom to Hate? Emotions, Belonging and the Power of “Nation” as an Emotional Concept (6 March)**

Text of Jacques Lacan or Slavoj Žižek **TBC**

Morning programme: Lacanian and other affective universes – introduced by Prof. Tomasz Szkudlarek

Lunch break

Afternoon programme: Workshop with Prof. Tomasz Szkudlarek

Dinner

Evening programme: My Way to the Baltics – students’ individual narratives

**Day 7: The BSR as Sustainable Region: The Myth of Environmental Protection (7 March)**

Text: Katapult Special Issue on Sustainability

Morning programme: Workshop with Marta Skorek

Lunch break

Afternoon programme: Seminar with Marlis Wullenkord

Dinner

Evening programme: My Way to the Baltics – students’ individual narratives

**Day 8: The BSR as Democratic Region: The Myth of Free Societies (8 March)**

Exhibition Solidarity Centre

Morning programme: Tour of the European Solidarity Centre exhibition with Dr. Grzegorz Piotrowski

Lunch break

Afternoon programme: Assignments

Dinner

**Day 9: The BSR as Peaceful Region: The Myth of Neighbourhood (9 March)**

Text: Ole Wæver: From Nordism to Baltism, 1992

Morning programme: Balticness Workshop with Prof. Kazimierz Musiał

Lunch break

Afternoon programme: Open dialogue with Grzegorz Poznański, Director General of the CBSS Secretariat

Farewell Dinner

**Day of Departure, March 10th**