

International workshop Cross-Border Practices and Regional Connectivity in the Alps-Adriatic Area: Historical Perspectives

23 - 25 September 2026

Centre for Cultural and Historical Research of Socialism,
Juraj Dobrila University of Pula, Negri Street 6, Pula, Croatia / Brijuni Islands

Wednesday, 23 September 2026

15.45 - 16.00	Welcome of participants
16.00 - 16.15	Opening Remarks and Introduction
Keynote dialogues	
16.15 - 17.45	Pamela Ballinger (University of Michigan): The Adriatic as liq-uid borderland?
	Sabine Dullin (Sciences Po Paris): The Alps Adriatic on the map of the Cold War
	Chair: Borut Klabjan
18.00 - 18.30	Bus transfer Pula - Fažana
19.00 - 19.20	Boat Fažana - Brijuni, check in Rooms Karmen
20.00	Dinner

Thursday, 24 September 2026

Panel 1	
9.30 - 11.00	Tina Filipović: Neighbours as Tourists: Italian Visitors, Istrian Hosts and Cross-Border Encounters in Postwar Yugoslavia
	Urška Strle: Informal Political Practices in Socialist Yugoslavia: By means of Hunting and Fishing
	Igor Duda: International events in the Arena of Pula in the 1980s: <i>Jeux sans frontières</i> and the Alps-Adriatic Youth Games
Chair and discussant: Marta Verginella (University of Ljubljana)	
11.00 - 11.30	Coffee break
Panel 2	
11.30 - 13.00	Nina Hofmann: From center to margin: How a Border Recon-figured a Functional Region
	Marco Abram: Mountaineering Practices and the Post-WWII Italian-Yugoslav Border: Prospects for Cross-Border Cooperation
	Sabine Rutar: An Uncharted Coal Connection. Italy's Post-World-War-II Dependence on the Mines in Istria, Yugoslavia
Chair and discussant: Pavel Kolář (University of Konstanz)	

13.00 - 14.30

Lunch

14.30 - 16.00

Panel 3

Borut Klabjan: Experimenting Europe. Why Alpe-Adria?

Alessandro Ambrosino: From Arge Alp to Alpe Adria: The Institutionalization of the Alpine Working Communities and the Politics of Cross-Border Regionalism

Mateja Režek and Jure Ramšak: To Delve Deep into the Alps-Adriatic Ground: Multilateral Interregional Cooperation through the Prism of Large-Scale Infrastructure Projects

Chair and discussant: **Ulf Brunnbauer** (IOS Regensburg)

16.00 - 19.30

Field visit: island tour and museum exhibition "Tito on the Brijuni Islands"

20.00

Dinner

Friday, 25 September 2026

9.30 - 11.30

Panel 4

Benedetto Zaccaria: The Veneto Region and the Alps-Adriatic Working Community in the 1980s: Visions of Regional Europe

Federico Tenca Montini: Broadcasting Beyond the Iron Curtain: Alpe Adria Magazine and Cross-Border Media Collaboration in Cold War Europe

Pál Germuska: Hungarian Counties and the Alps-Adriatic Working Community: The Prospective of a Subnational Diplomatic Initiative at the Turn of the 1980s and 1990s

Karlo Ruzicic-Kessler: Reshaping Central Europe: The Alps-Adriatic Community facing the Transformations of 1989-1992

Chair and discussant: **Wolfgang Mueller** (University of Vienna)

11.30 - 12.00

Coffee break

12.00 - 12.30

Final remarks: **Pieter Judson** (European University Institute, Florence)

13.00 - 13.20

Boat Brijuni - Fažana

13.30 - 14.00

Bus transfer Fažana - Pula

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