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Venue: Lecture Hall U-241, Faculty of Teacher Education, Sveučilišna avenija 6, Rijeka, Croatia

Programme, Monday, 18 July 2022

* programme subject to change

- 10:00 Opening ceremony, University of Rijeka, Faculty of Teacher Education, moderated by **Željko Ševerdija**
- 10:15 Lecture 1 – Prof. **Željko Bartulović**: *State Legal History of Rijeka and its Influence on Vexillological and Heraldic Symbols in Rijeka*
- 10.45 Lecture 2 – **Marin Sabolović**: *Flags from the 1990s Croatian Homeland War in the Bjelovar Operational Zone and Military District Museum*
- 11.15 Exhibition and coffee break
- 11.45 Lecture 3 – **Željko Heimer**: *Maritime Flags on Eastern Adriatic*
- 12:45 Lunch break – Restaurant *Kampus*, 5 min walk from venue, self-service, participants cover their own costs, reserved seats/tables for PVE participants
- 15:00 Gathering in front of the Governor's Palace (*Maritime and History Museum of the Croatian Littoral, Pomorski i povijesni muzej Hrvatskog primorja Rijeka*, Trg Riccarda Zanelle 1) – participants arrange their own transport to the location (taxi recommended)
- 15:10 Guided tour with vexillological focus through the exhibition ***Tales of the Blue Horizon – Jugolinija 75 Years***, Maritime and History Museum of the Croatian Littoral, guided by the exhibition author **Nikša Mendeš** (free entrance kindly provided by the Museum)
- 16:00 Optional visit to the exhibition ***Birth of Rijeka Port (1868-1918)***, Rijeka City Museum (The Cube - next to the Maritime Museum), entrance fee 20 kn per person
- 17:00 **Guided city tour** – starting in front of the City Museum – finish at the King's Brewpub, guide **Saša Dmitrović**
- 18:00 Informal diner - **King's Brewpub kolodvor**, Trg kralja Tomislava (next to the Railway Station, 5 min walk from the Bus Terminal), food and drinks on individual order, participants cover their own costs, reserved seats/tables for PVE participants

* In case of reasonable transport delays – organizers may postpone the event schedule – keep in touch!

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Train Ljubljana – Rijeka MV 481 dep. 6:30 arr. 9:29 Rijeka – Ljubljana MV 480 dep. 20:40 arr. 23:35
Flixbus Ljubljana – Rijeka departure 5:05 arrival 07:45 Rijeka – Ljubljana departure 22:35 arrival 01:11

Other bus lines may be available.

Once in Rijeka, the easiest way to come to the Campus is by taxi. Rijeka has a cheap and well organized Taxi service, that will get you anywhere in the city for the maximum of €10 or less. There are taxi terminals at the Main Railway Station and at the Bus Terminal (Žabica).

By car to **Sveučilišna avenija 6, Rijeka** – free public parking available along the street on designated spots.

Željko Ševerdija, University of Rijeka, Faculty of Teacher Education, Secretary of the Faculty
The Faculty of Teacher Education in Rijeka conducts the Integrated Undergraduate and Graduate Early Primary Education university study as well as the Undergraduate and Graduate Early Childhood and Preschool Education university study. The mission of the Faculty is to achieve excellence in the education of students, future educators and teachers who will be able to respond to the challenges of their profession and represent the anticipating force of progress and development of knowledge society in their community. Further information about the Faculty of Teacher Education can be found on the link <http://www.ufri.uniri.hr>.

Full professor **Željko Bartulović**, Ph. D., University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law
State Legal History of Rijeka and its Influence on Vexillological and Heraldic Symbols in Rijeka

The history of Rijeka has seen numerous and frequent changes in legal and administrative status of the city and its surroundings since the 18th century. These changes reflected in the symbols every regime used and those it opposed in certain periods. Željko Bartulović is the head of the Chair of the History of Law and State at the Faculty of law University of Rijeka. He teaches at the law faculties in Osijek, Bihać and Mostar.

Marin Sabolović, Croatian Homeland War Museum Bjelovar

Flags from the 1990s Croatian Homeland War in the Bjelovar Operational Zone and Military District Museum

The Museum of the Operational Zone and the Military District Bjelovar has a collection of war flags of Croatian Homeland War. This collection is related to the domicile area, but also contains some specimens related to the Armed Forces in general and the flag of the Republic of Croatia. It chronicles the development of war flags, from the first improvised flags made on the flag of the Republic of Croatia to flags made in Bjelovar companies, such as war flags of the 105th Brigade, the 55th Independent Battalion and the “Omega” Special Police Unit. The Museum has the Armed Forces and the First Croatian Guards Corps flags, donated by the commander of the unit, General Mile Ćuk, and some interesting formal flags of the Republic of Croatia. Marin Sabolović is a geography teacher, uniformologist, postgraduate student in history and geography, director of the Museum.

LTC **Željko Heimer**, Ph. D., LF, FF, Croatian Heraldic and Vexillological Association, Zagreb

Maritime Flags on Eastern Adriatic

The paper presents overview of flags used on ships in Eastern Adriatic through the history by various states to identify affiliation to those countries. Flags are documented since the early Middle Age, but modern maritime flags (ensigns, jacks, pennants, rank flags etc.) are documented only since the 17th century in Habsburg use, although older flags are known used by Adriatic cities. Modernized in the 18th century, further developed in the 19th the Austrian (and Hungarian) flags were used until the 20th century – when a series of dynamic changes followed with the creation of the new South-Slavic State, World War II, Socialist Yugoslavia followed by the post-Yugoslav current states. With the changes in national and ideological symbols, it is interesting to observe certain traditions that are followed in navies in spite of the rough differences among the regimes. — Heimer is president of FIAV and the Croatian national heraldic and vexillological association. An active military officer in the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, he studies flags from the early 1990s, active within FOTW, member, honorary member and fellow of several national heraldic and vexillological associations and intuitions. He published several monographs and a number of scientific, professional and popular papers.

Exhibition

The exhibition in the lecture hall consists of various flags from the collections of the Croatian Homeland War Museum Bjelovar and private collections of Željko Ševerdija and Željko Heimer. The Bjelovar Museum provided a half a dozen unit flags – military colors from the Homeland War. Heimer provided a dozen flags designating affiliation to Croatia – various state, maritime, and naval flags from the 1990s and today as well as some flags of vexillological and other cultural organizations. Ševerdija provided several flags from the history and present-day vexillology of Rijeka.

Nikša Mendeš, Maritime and History Museum of the Croatian Littoral

Tales of the Blue Horizon –Jugolinija 75 Years

After World War II, the rebuilding of merchant fleet started. The majority of the fleet was from the Croatian Adriatic coast, and it was nationalized in December 1946, establishing four large shipping companies: *Jugoslavenska Slobodna Plovidba*, *Jugoslavenska Linijska Plovidba*, *Jadranska Slobodna Plovidba* and *Jadranska Linijska Plovidba*. In its first years, *Jugolinija* operated two regular services, to Northern Europe and the Middle East, and in the 1950s a services to the Far East and to South and North America. *Jugolinija's* fleet had reached the peak of its development by the early 1990s, after the Croatian independence when the name changed to *Croatia Line*. However, the company soon faced difficulties and collapsed in the late 1990s. The flags of companies *Jugolinija* and *Jugoslavenska slobodna plovidba* are exhibited, as well as, the SOS signal using the International Code of Signals flags. Nikša Mendeš, MA is a museum advisor in the Maritime and History Museum of Croatian Littoral Rijeka, curator of its several maritime collections.

Rijeka City Museum – The Cube (Kockica)

Birth of Rijeka as a Modern Port City (1868-1918)

The exhibition presents the period of Rijeka history when it was ruled from Budapest as a Hungarian port. It was the period of industrial development and fast modernization in the city soon becoming the 10th largest European port. The prosperity led to economic development of culture and new way of social life. A flag of the *Royal Hungarian Sea Navigation Company "Adria" Limited*, the leading steamship company of the Croato-Hungarian part of the Monarchy is shown among the exhibits – being said to be the only one of two preserved, the other one being kept in the National Maritime Museum in Greenwich, England.

Saša Dimitrović, Antikvarijat Mali Neboder, Rijeka

City tour

Antikvarijat *Mali Neboder*, more than 20 years run by Saša Dimitrović and Tomo Vučinić, was established already in 1962, being one of the oldest still active second-hand, old and rare books stores in Croatia. It buys and sells professional and popular books, sold out and rare issues, high-school and university handbooks. It also sells books and related printed matters on occasional auctions, which are very popular. Saša Dimitrović is a *spiritus movens* of various cultural and literary actions in Rijeka and also an experienced tour guide. He prepared for our participants a particular tour to provide a quick but thorough look into the history of the city of Rijeka.

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