



Symposium

LIFE COURSE AND EVERYDAY LIFE OF OLDER PEOPLE LIVING IN POVERTY

November 28th and 29th, 2024

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ABSTRACT

Where: Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ljubljana, Kardeljeva ploščad 5, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Fee: No fee

Abstract: Please send the abstract, no longer than 300 words and up to 6 keywords by September 15 2024, to symposium@fsd.uni-lj.si.

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About:

The main aim of the symposium is to explore how the welfare state has defined, standardised and shaped the lives of older people living in poverty over time (since the end of the World War II) and how it influences the choices older people make over their life course.

Furthermore, by examining the processes and events in the lives of older people that have influenced their social situation in old age, the symposium seeks to identify key factors that need to be taken into account when developing poverty reduction measures, regulations and policies.

In this context, poverty in old age is understood as an accumulation of structural inequalities (in terms of educational attainment, household type, health, employment history, caring responsibilities, etc.) and intersecting statuses (gender, ethnicity, disability, etc.). This complexity is a consequence of historical developments and cannot be explained in the context of the current situation alone. The phenomenon of poverty in old age must be examined by taking into account processes at the structural level, at the level of cultural patterns and at the level of public policies in a longitudinal perspective.

More on the symposium: https://www.fsd.uni-lj.si/en/research_and_development/research-and-development/symposium/J5-4587/

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

PAT THANE, Ph.D, Fellow of the British Academy, Visiting Professor in History, Birkbeck College, London; Professor Emerita University of London.

SPEECH TITLE: **The Diverse Life Experiences of Older People in Britain since 1900**

SANELA BAŠIĆ ČEKIĆ, Ph.D, A member of the executive board of the Network for Research of Social Services in the Context of (Political) Conflict, University of Sarajevo, Faculty of Political Sciences.

SPEECH TITLE: **Gender, Age, and Poverty in Bosnia-Herzegovina: Navigating Challenges from Socialism to Neoliberalism**

PAUL HIGGS, Ph.D, Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences, Fellow of the Gerontological Society of America. Professor of the Sociology of Ageing, Faculty of Brain Sciences, University College London

SPEECH TITLE: **Social divisions in later life – how do we understand inequalities in later life and how they relate to the transformation of old age in the 21st century**

RAINER GABRIEL, Ph.D, Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW), Associated Researcher LIVES – Swiss Centre for Expertise in Life Course Research.

SPEECH TITLE: **Operationalizing the Life Course in Quantitative Research: Developments in data collection, availability and analysis.**