

## Sorbonne Cold War History Project

### International Conference

organized by Universities Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne and Sorbonne Nouvelle Paris III

In partnership with

the Gorbachev Foundation (Moscow) and the Institut François Mitterrand (Paris)

## France, the USSR, and the End of the Cold War, 1975-1991



**January 24-25<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup>: Salle n°1 - Centre Panthéon - 12, place du Panthéon – Paris 5<sup>e</sup>

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>: Salle Bourjac - Sorbonne - 17, rue de la Sorbonne - Paris 5<sup>e</sup>

*Registration required: please email [celine.marange@univ-paris1.fr](mailto:celine.marange@univ-paris1.fr) by January 19.*

### PROGRAM

#### FRIDAY 24

#### Salle 1, Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne

Centre Panthéon

Salle 1 (aile Soufflot)

12, place du Panthéon - 75005 Paris

**9:15-9:30**

Participants arrive

**9:30-10:45**

#### CONFERENCE OPENING

Frédéric Bozo (Sorbonne Nouvelle Paris III) and Marie-Pierre Rey (Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne), conference organizers

Olga Zdravomyslova, Director of the Gorbachev Foundation ; Victor Kovaldin, Professor, Moscow School of Economics (Moscow State University)  
*The End of the Cold War in the Light of the Gorbachev Foundation Archives.*

### First session

#### FRANCO-SOVIET RELATIONS IN THE EUROPEAN CONTEXT FROM THE HELSINKI CONFERENCE TO THE NEW COLD WAR

Chair: Frédéric Bozo (Professor, Sorbonne Nouvelle - Paris III).

**10:45-12:15**

Nicolas Badalassi, Associate Professor, Université de Bretagne Sud  
*Détente and Mécontentement. France, the USSR, and the CSCE.*

Youri Roubinski, Political Counselor to Mikhail Gorbachev, Diplomat  
*François Mitterrand et la désintoxication des relations franco-soviétiques : raisons et limites, 1981-1984.*

Christian Wenkel, Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, German Historical Institute, Paris.  
*Franco-Soviet Relations and the German Factor, 1979-1984.*

Discussant: Anne de Tinguy, Professor, INALCO; Senior Researcher, CERI - Sciences Po

General discussion

**12:30 -2:00**

**Lunch** (for participants)

Centre Panthéon

Appartement decanal

Escalier (stairs) K – 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

12, place du Panthéon - 75005 Paris

### Second session

#### FRANCE, THE USSR, AND THE EASTERN COUNTRIES FROM THE HELSINKI CONFERENCE TO THE NEW COLD WAR

Chair: Marie-Pierre Rey (Professor, Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne).

**2:00-3:00**

Pierre Bouillon, Ph.D., University Paris I - Panthéon-Sorbonne.

*The French « Détente » in Eastern Europe: An Effective Way to Undermine the Soviet Empire?*

Irina Grigorova, Research Fellow, Institute for Historical Studies, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences.

*The Aftermath of the CSCE, France and the Pressure over East-European Countries for Cultural "Ouverture".*

Discussant: Catherine Horel, Senior Researcher, CNRS and University Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne.

General discussion

### Third session

#### THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN FRANCO-SOVIET RELATIONS IN THE 1980s: THE CASE OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Chair: Laurence Badel (Professor, Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne).

**3:00-4:00**

Chantal Kourilsky-Augeven, Sociologist, Professor Emerita of Law  
*The Role of Legal Professionals in Franco-Soviet Relations in the 1970s and 1980s.*

Ksenia Tatarchenko, Post-doctoral Fellow, Columbia University  
*Lions/Marchuk or "Three is not a Crowd": Transnational Mathematics and Soviet-French Relations during the Cold War.*

Discussant: Vladislav Zubok, Professor, London School of Economics.  
General Discussion

**4:00-4:30**

**Coffee break**

### Fourth session

#### THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN FRANCO-SOVIET RELATIONS IN THE 1980s: INTELLECTUALS AND PARTIES

Chair: Vladislav Zubok (Professor, London School of Economics)

**4:30-5:30**

Marie-Pierre Rey, Professor, Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne  
*Anatoly Chernyaev and Franco-Soviet Relations: The View of a 'Zapadnik' Intellectual?*

Céline Marangé, Post-doctoral Fellow, University Paris I  
*The French Communist Party and the Future of Europe at the End of the Cold War, 1989-1991.*

Discussant: Laurence Badel, Professor, Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne.

General Discussion

**Dinner (for participants)**

**SATURDAY 25: Salle Bourjac, Sorbonne Nouvelle Paris III**

Sorbonne  
17, rue de la Sorbonne  
75005 Paris

### Fifth Session

#### FRANCE, THE USSR, AND THE GERMAN QUESTION IN THE GORBACHEV ERA

Chair: Pavel Palazhchenko

(Head of the International Department of the Gorbachev Foundation, English conference interpreter for Mikhail Gorbachev and Soviet foreign minister Eduard Shevardnadze from 1985 to 1991)

- 9:30-11:15** Mikhail Narinski, Professor, Chair of the Department of International Relations, Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO)  
*Gorbachev, Mitterrand et l'unification allemande : le point de vue soviétique.*
- Frédéric Bozo, Professor, Sorbonne Nouvelle - Paris III  
*Delusions of Convergence: France, the Soviet Union, and German Unification.*
- Michael Mayer, Assistant Professor, Political Academy, Tutzing  
*On the Way between the Unacceptable and the Unavoidable: France, the Soviet Union and the Germans, 1989-1990.*
- Thomas Blanton, Director, National Security Archive, Washington, USA.  
*French-Soviet-American Relations and the End of the Cold War, 1989-1991.*
- Discussant: Andreï Gratchev, Former Mikhail Gorbachev's Spokesman.
- General discussion

**11:15-11:45** **Coffee break**

### Sixth session

#### FROM GORBACHEV'S EUROPEAN HOME TO MITTERRAND'S EUROPEAN CONFEDERATION

Chair: Anne de Tinguy (Professor, INALCO; Senior Researcher, CERI - Sciences Po)

- 11:45-13:15** Svetlana Savranskaya, Senior Fellow, National Security Archive, Washington  
*How Gorbachev's European Home and Mitterrand's European Confederation made the European Union possible*
- Una Bergmane, Ph.D. candidate, Sciences Po Paris.  
*France and the Disintegration of the Soviet Union: The Case of the Baltic States, 1989-1991.*
- Amélie Zima, Ph.D. candidate, University Paris Ouest/ISP  
*Mitterrand's Confederation: a Central European Point of View*
- Discussant: Victor Kuvaldin, Professor, Moscow State University.
- General Discussion

**13:15-13:30** **CONCLUDING REMARKS by Marie-Pierre Rey**

**13:30-15:30** **Cocktail** (*Appartement décanal - Centre Panthéon, stairs K, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor*)