Violence has always played a central role in fascist ideology and political practice, either as a means by which to overthrow governments, or to achieve national rebirth and cleansing through the physical removal or annihilation of political enemies and “alien” ethnic or racial communities. And yet there were huge differences when it came to the dynamics and magnitude of violence depending on the political context in which fascists came to power and ruled.

The relationship between fascism and violence has to a large degree been explored in two separate literatures. On the one hand, experts on fascism have primarily focused on analyses of ideology, political culture and social activities, with violence playing a secondary role in the analyses. On the other hand, scholars from the field of Holocaust and genocide studies have usually focused on the implementation of genocidal violence without necessarily dealing with fascist ideology per se, or with its appeal and ability to achieve mass mobilisation.

The Second Convention of the Association of Comparative Fascist Studies (COMFAS) aims to bring the two fields together in order to foster synergies and cross-fertilisation. This will be achieved through a cooperation between the Hugo Valentin Centre as hosting institution and Central European University as co-organiser. The conference was made possible by a generous financial contribution from the The Swedish Foundation for Humanities and Social Sciences.

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Map of campus Engelska parken. It is situated next to the Botanical Gardens (Botaniska trädgården) and behind the University Library Carolina Rediviva. Note that lunches will be provided in the campus restaurant Matikum (indicated on the map with an “x”). All activities will take place in building 22, housing the Humanities Theatre (Humanistiska teatern).

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Fascism and Violence
Uppsala, 25–27 September 2019
Day 1: Fascist Ideology and Violence
25 September
08.30–09.00 Registration
09.00–09.10 Welcoming Address by Tomislav Dulić

Panel 1: Violence in Fascist Ideology
Moderator: Deborah Barton, Univ. of Montreal
Violence in Fascist Ideology
10.15–11.45 (Eng22-0031)

Panel 2: Violence and Ideology: From the Independent State of Croatia
"Imagined Violence" in the Eyes of Schoolteachers
Nina Janz, University of Luxembourg
into Pride and Parades during WWII
Miguel Ángel del Arco Blanco, Univ. of Grenada

Panel 3: Monuments of the Fallen in Francoist Spain
Mod.: Javier Rodrigo, Autonomous Univ. of Barcelona
Educating the Masses
17.00–18.30: Plenary Session I:
Panelists: Antonio Costa Pinto, Maria Bucur, Rossen Tomova
Moderator: Constantin Iordachi

Day 2: Violent Practice and Fascism
26 September
09.00–10.30 (Eng22-0031)
Panel 7: Violence in Practice and Fascism in Italy
Moderator: Antonio Costa Pinto, Univ. of Lisbon
"Gangreneous Tissue Must be Removed!": Violence in the ideology of the Yugoslav Zbornik Radiko Lompar, Technical Acad. of Sciences and Arts
A Session of Political Violence: The Street Politics of the July 1932 Reichstag Election
Sara Selvaggio, Virginia Wesleyan University
Changing Perception of Fascist Violence in Finland: Swedish Press Debate on the Kristallnacht (1938) Matias Kohovinta, University of Helsinki

Panel 8: Discurso de la Violencia y la Práctica Fascista
Moderator: Vjeran Pavlaković, Univ. of Rijeka
Violence in Doctrine and Practice
Fascist repression in the Italian fourth shore: the Coincidences in the Theories of the Partizan Nicolás Sesma, University of Grenoble Alpes
"They Even Had a Chase": Revisionism of the Croatian Post-Second World War Dispossessed in Argentina
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Day 3: Legacies of Fascist Violence
27 September
09.00–10.30 (Eng22-1017)
Panel 15: Postwar Fascism in Transformation
Moderator: Vjeran Pavlaković, Univ. of Rijeka
Soti at the Gates: The Normalization of Fascism inCollapse of the Theory of the Partizan
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Panel 16: Continuities and Change in Radicalism
Moderator: Nikolina Židek, Univ. of Madrid
Revolutionary Violence, Fascist Hyper-Masculinity and Doublesex in British Neo-Nazi Discourses
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