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**Roma in the Czech Republic:
social exclusion and the strategies of inclusion**

Various groups of Roma people have been part of the society in the Czech lands for centuries, although in various historical periods different groups migrated or settled in the territory of what is today the Czech Republic. During the 20th century, the most important changes in the co-existence of the Roma and the majority society – apart from WWII – took place in the post-war Czechoslovakia, and later in the Czech Republic after 1989. The transformation of the society and the political and economic changes after the fall of the communist regime led to the deepening of the marginalization of Roma: many became unemployed, the housing conditions changed with the privatization of large sector of the former public housing, and many Roma children are still not getting the education needed to be successful in the contemporary society. The lecture will provide some basic information about the Roma in the Czech Republic, and focus on the mechanisms of social exclusion of the Roma in the last 30 years. Contemporary strategies of inclusion of the Roma will be presented, that the central and the local administrations introduce to improve the areas of employment, housing, and education.

Der Vortrag kann im Rahmen des Kolloquiumspasses für Studierende der Geographie angerechnet werden.

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