

Contents

Introduction

Thomas Lahusen and Schamma Schahadat 7

Part 1: History’s Playground

The Ideological Park: How the Tsar’s Garden in Kyiv Became a Modern Political Space

Serhy Yekelchyk 25

The Last Soviet City

Kate Brown 47

Spaces of Detachment

Serguei Alex. Oushakine..... 67

Part 2: Friendship of the Peoples?

Contemporary Ukrainian Russian-Language Poetry and Post-Soviet Literary Space

Susi K. Frank 95

(Re)Inventing (East) Central Europe: Literary Expeditions into a Lost Space

Schamma Schahadat..... 117

Postsocialist Hybridities: Finding a Place in Kyrgyzstan

Gulzat Egemberdieva and Thomas Lahusen..... 143

Space under Siege. Sarajevo during and after the War

Davor Beganović 161

Part 3: “Minus Stalin”

The Limits of Central Planning: Rudimentary Town Centers in the Planned Cities of StalinStadt and Sztálinváros
Mark László-Herbert 183

Neighborhood Socialism: A Memoir from 1960s Sofia
Ivaylo Ditchhev 205

Mourning the *Microrayon*: An Essay in Affective Geography
Ekaterina Mizrokhi 217

**(Re)Mapping National Space:
The One Hundred Tourist Sites of Bulgaria and Their Metamorphoses**
Daniela Koleva 235

Part 4: Traveling Boundaries

The Monument de la Renaissance africaine and Global Routes of (Socialist) Monumentalism: New York, Moscow, Pyongyang, Dakar
Gesine Drews-Sylla 255

The Gendered Anxieties of Apartment Living in North Korea, 1953–65
Andre Schmid 281

Unreal Estate: Postsocialist China’s Dystopic Dreamscapes
Tong Lam 305

Authors 321