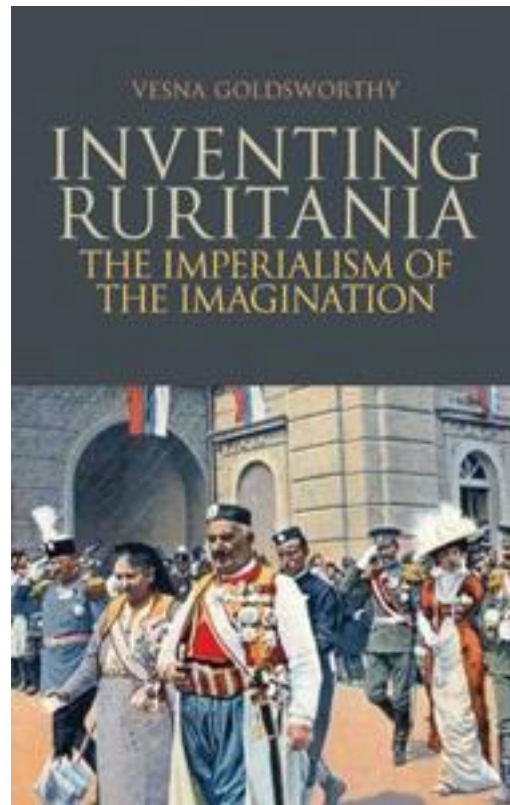
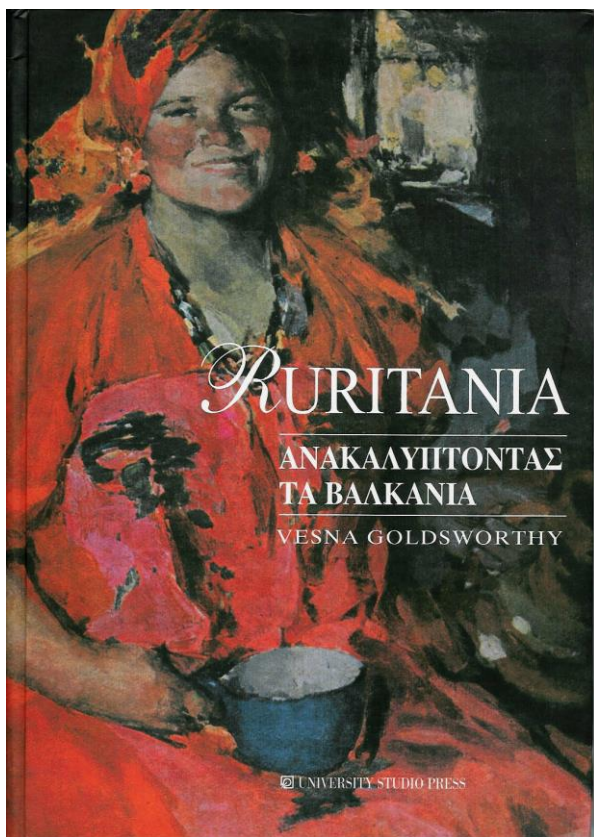


# Inventing Ruritania







# Research started in Romania 1989



# Same place, twenty years on



# The Mayor of Bucharest notices the difference





# Byron arrives in the Balkans





# The Late Victorians who Never Went There



# Two Faces of the Balkans



Ruritania's move south-eastwards: "Looking for Ruritania" with Tony Hawks on Radio 4



# The Prince and the Showgirl: King Milan of Serbia (1854-1901)





# Ruritania Orientalised



# Orient Express

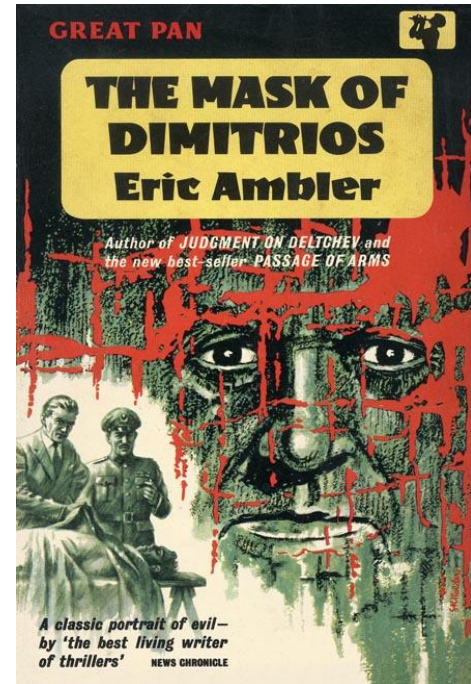
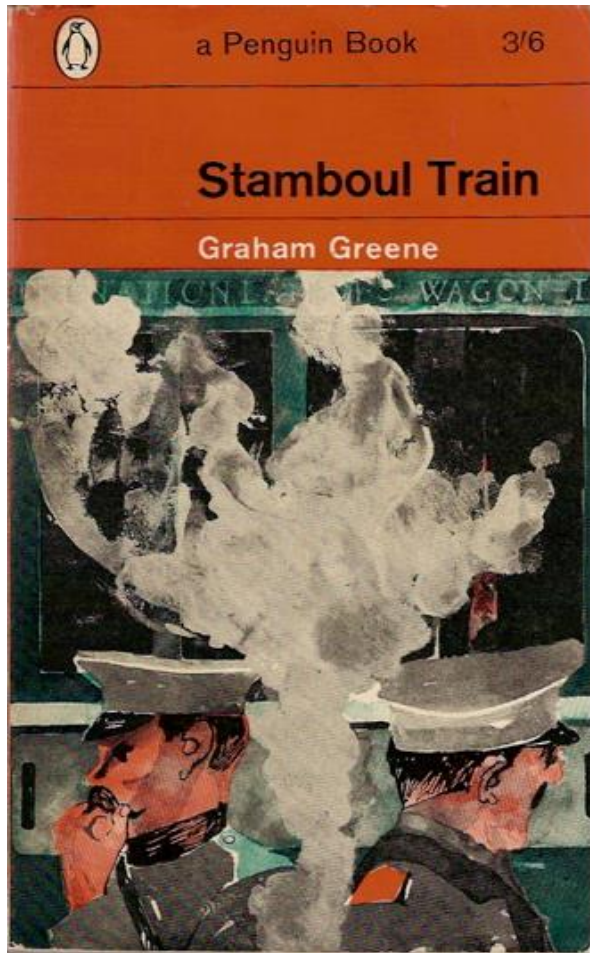


# Vinkovci...Computer Game





# Still Looking Back: Orient Express Anti-Heroes



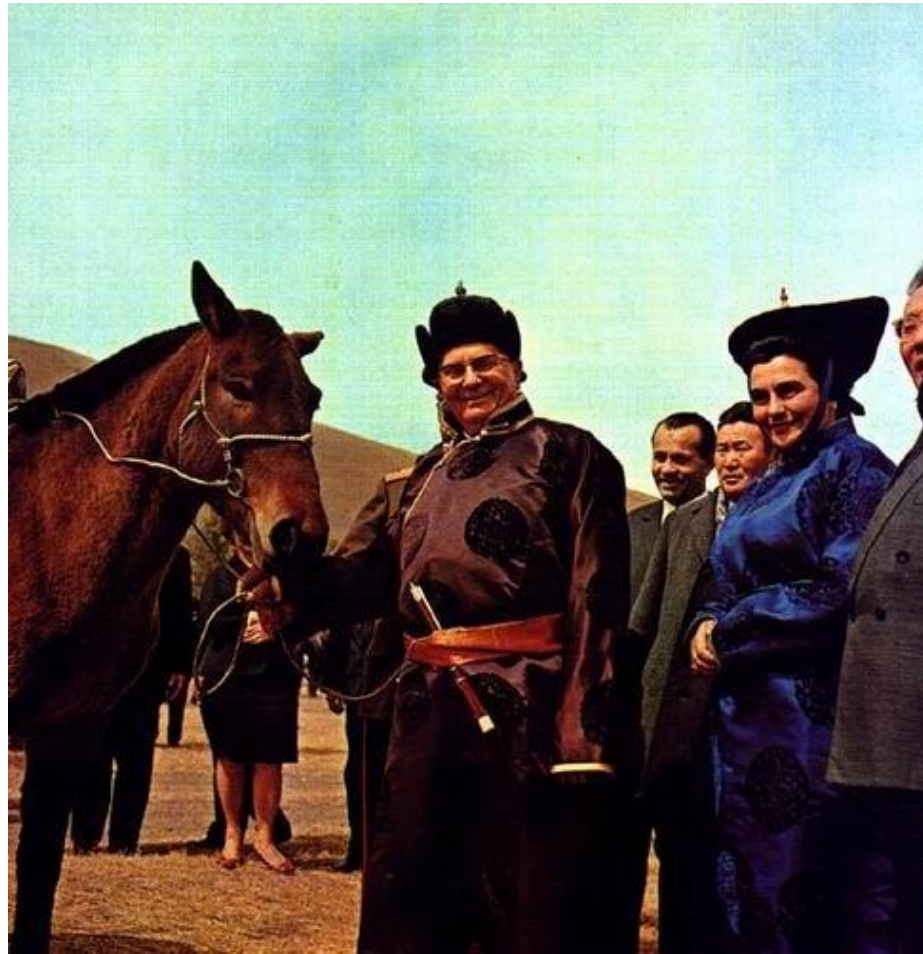
# Cold War Permafrost: Not so Cold in the Balkans



# Cuddly “Commies”: A Socialist Ruritania



# Not Ruritania, Mongolia



# Post 1989: Back to The Balkans



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# New Countries, Old Images



# Re-Invention of Tradition: Ruritanian Retro in Albania...





# Bulgaria







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# Croatia



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# Kosovo



# New Poverty



# Manufacturing Joy





# But not only in the Balkans ... Slovakia too



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Back home...there is continuity



# As there is in Greece





# New Ruritania: MOLVANIA



Autumnal vines at Chateau Sultana in the Western wine growing district.



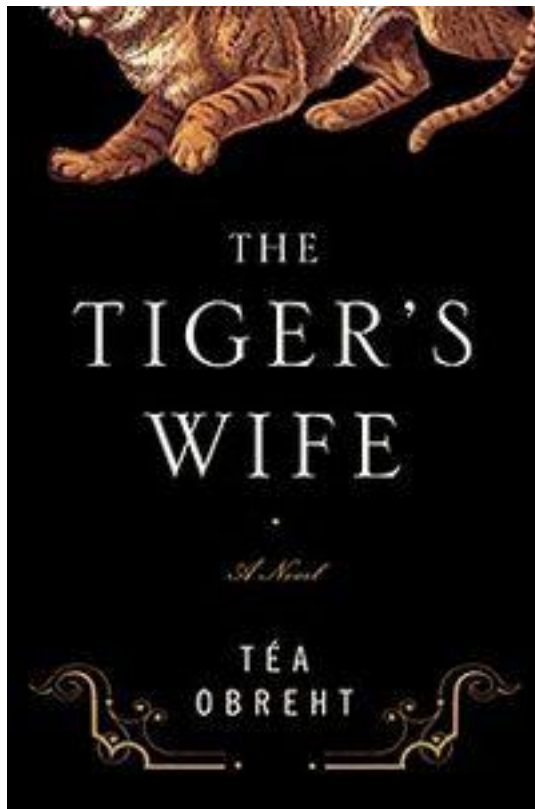
Molvania's capital Lutenblag - where old world charm meets concrete.



The colour of the East each year serenade

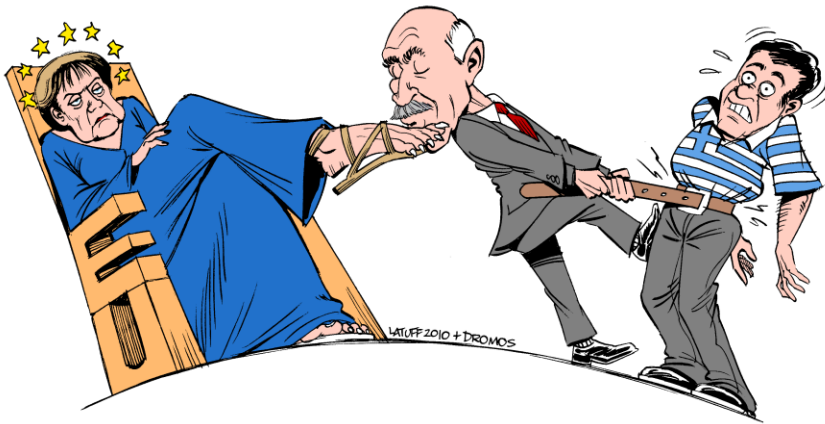


# East of the West



# Re-Orientations

## Greece Returns to the Balkans



# Dracula Tours





# “New” Eastern Europe



# Questions Strictly Forbidden

