

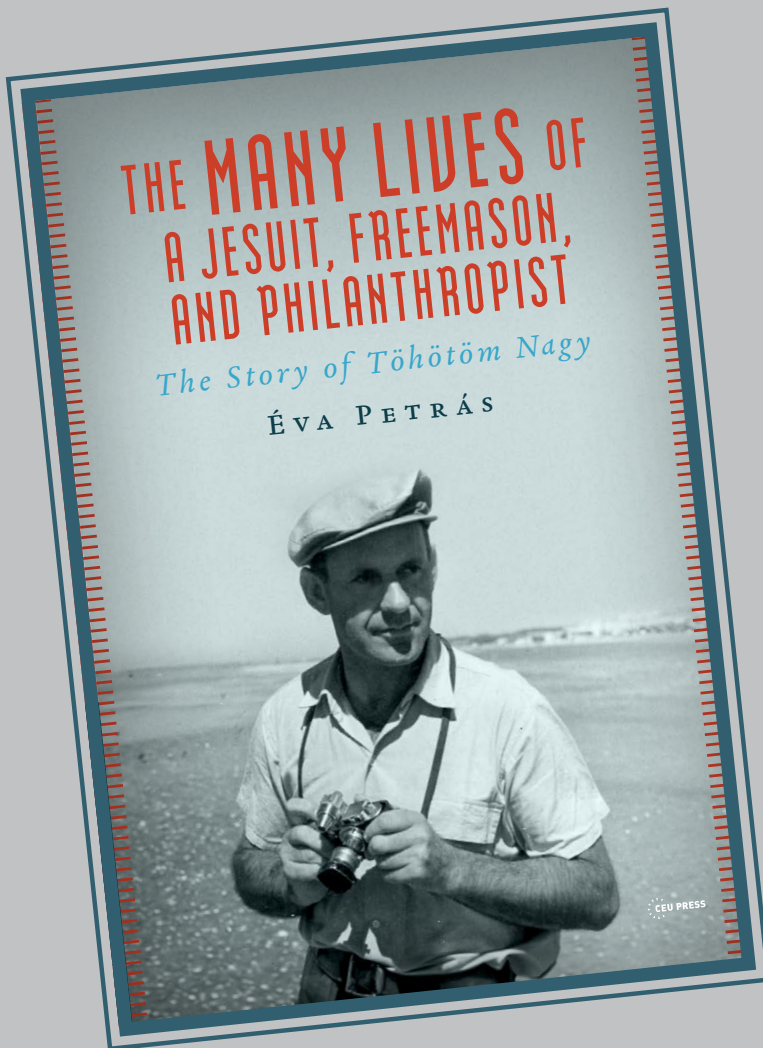
Book launch

20 November 2023, 18:00

Accademia d'Ungheria in Roma,
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18:00–18:10:

Greeting speeches

Gábor Kudar, director of the Hungarian Academy in Rome
Eduard Habsburg-Lothringen, ambassador, Embassy of Hungary to the Holy See

18:10–18:40:

The book is presented by *Johan Ickx*, director of the Historical Archive of the Secretariat of State

18:40–19:00:

Éva Petrás, senior research fellow of the Committee of National Remembrance: The life of Töhötöm Nagy and the workshop secrets behind the creation of this volume

Coordinator: *Krisztina Tóth*, archival delegate, Embassy of Hungary to the Holy See (for more information on the event: TothKrisztina@mfa.gov.hu)

„Töhötöm Nagy was one of the most colorful figures of modern Hungarian Catholicism. The central issue of his life was the practice-oriented examination of the possible frameworks and forms of social policy to support the underprivileged, economically and socially exploited strata of society. This is what he sought as a Jesuit priest, as a Freemason, and as an agent of the communist secret service in Hungary, Rome, and South America.”

Attila Pók
Academic Council of the European Network of
Remembrance and Solidarity;
Institute of Advanced Study

„In this much-anticipated biography, historian Éva Petrás presents us with the adventurous life of the Hungarian Jesuit Töhötöm Nagy. Tracing the twists and turns of his life, the reader simultaneously delves into the 20th century history of Hungary, the Hungarian Catholic Church, Freemasonry, and Communism. Following him to South America – Uruguay, Argentina and Chile –, and then back to the by-then communist Hungary, we are afforded a glimpse into the life of Catholic youth movements and the secrets of the Vatican's Eastern policy after World War Two.”

Judith Kesserü Némethy
New York University