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Household debt in post–credit boom Croatia

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Sažetak izlaganja

Household debt in Croatia grew rapidly in the 2000s in the setting of a “peripheral financialisation” of Croatia’s political economy. As elsewhere in postsocialist Europe, many took out loans, especially mortgages, indexed to foreign currencies. Since the economy slipped into a protracted crisis in 2008, big jumps in exchange rates, compounded by variable interest rates and alleged machinations of the banks, brought misery to many debtors and a surge in debt recovery and home repossessions. The social costs of debt became an important public issue addressed by civic associations, social movements, politicians, and legal and regulatory apparatuses. In this presentation, I will present my current research project that studies how experiences of indebtedness shape and reflect social (in particular class) relations in Croatia and how regulative frameworks and political practices of bankers, activists and others embed debt in contested moral economies at various scales, from the household to the global economy. I will discuss the relevance of the research programme of “social studies of finance”, with considerable following in anthropology, for my focus. While useful for studying technologies and practices through which credit/debt is constructed and reproduced, its flat social ontology and ahistorical, apolitical perspective do not allow for a questioning of the nature of credit/debt and its place in wider webs of social relationships and historical and spatial dynamics. I will consider how concepts of class, institution and moral economy, and insights of political economists and critical geographers, may help develop a historical and global anthropological perspective on Croatian household debt boom and bust.

O predavaču

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