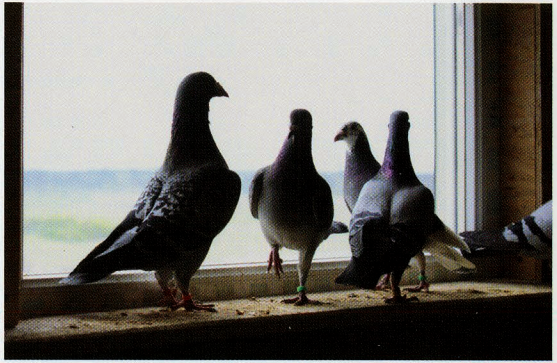
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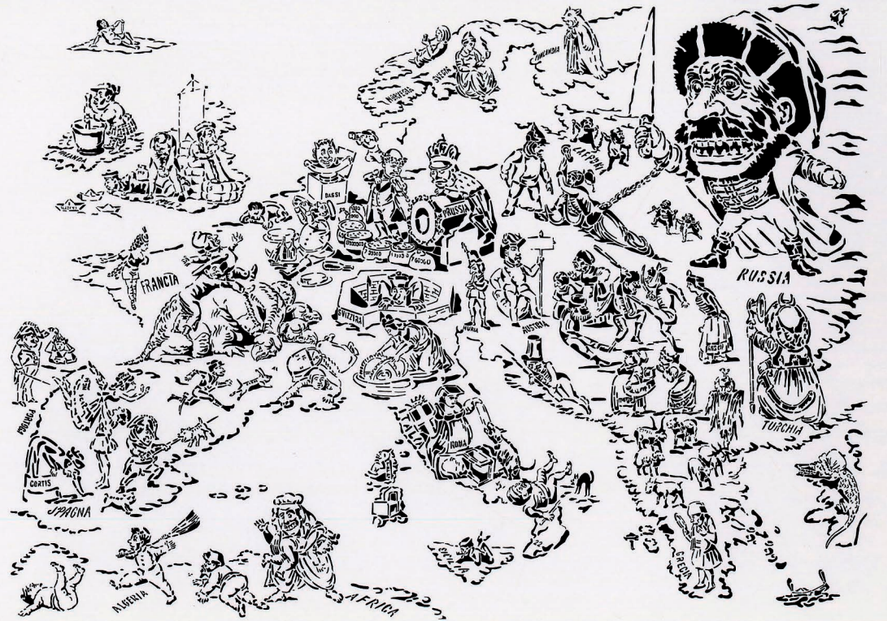
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By articulating cultural traumas, predicaments and new possibilities that have been laid bare after Lithuania's independence from Soviet rule in 1991, Nomeda & Gediminas Urbonas stage and highlight a collective search for new forms of belonging. (...). In their work, the idea of the nation is addressed not just on an institutional scale, but as a symptom that pervades imaginaries on subjective and collective levels. As Freud pointed out, the symptom occurs as one part of a trinity where the two other elements are fear and inhibition. (...). In psychoanalysis, the symptom is a sign and surrogate for what is known as old and long familiar. This becomes a perfect analogy for the idea of the nation as a repressed sign that is compulsively re-visited in disguised forms under the threat of punishment of a Soviet father figure, or associated with the post-Soviet dementia of nationalism.

Lars Bang Larsen, 2007

Text excerpt from Lars Bang Larsen, «After Lenin, Little Frankfurt. History and self-organised styles in the work of Nomeda and Gediminas Urbonas », *Nomeda and Gediminas Urbonas. Projects and installations 2000-2008*. Barcelona: Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona, 2008

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Map of Europe, found in the offices of the Yukos refinery in Mazeikiai, Lithuania, 2005

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Workshop with Nomeda & Gediminas Urbonas
The first fortnight of April (to be confirmed)

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