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L'historien et/dans le pouvoir (A la base des mémoires de grands historiens de la période socialiste)

(Abstract)

The author analyses the motives presented by two prominent representatives of historical science from the time of Socialism – Academician Vera Mutafchieva and Academician Ilcho Dimitrov – who took part in the government of science and society in both socialist and transition periods. Being coevals, of different origin and opposite political ideas, they occupied different positions in power but it was always in public and never behind the scenes. As expected, they both point out non-commercial, non-material and non-self-seeking motives for participating in power even when they did not approve it.