

CENTRAL
EUROPEAN
HISTORY
CONVENTION

JULY 17–19 2025

Edition 1:
Shared pasts,
entangled future

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Day 1: Thursday July 17 2025

Entrance Hall

8:30 am Registration

Audimax

10:00 am – 10:30 am Welcome

10:30 am – 12:00 am

Keynote 1: Peter Haslinger

Austro-Hungarian Relations 1867–1914 – the perfect example of a community of conflict?

→ 1 hour lunchbreak

Seminarraum 1	Seminarraum 2	Seminarraum 3	Seminarraum 4	Seminarraum 5
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm				
Panel 1: Borders	Panel 2: Humans and other Animals in the Late Imperial State	Panel 3: Transatlantic Exchange and Imperialism	Panel 4: Nation-Building in the Aftermath of the Great War	Panel 5: Servants of the State – Public Servants and Representatives in the Empire and Beyond
Nihad Dostović Nenad Obradović Gábor Mikó Chair: Zsuzsa Barbarics-Hermanik Discussant: Claudia Römer	Jana Bělová & Magdaléna Šustová Daša Ličen Emma Nabi-Bourgois Chair: Anna Varga Discussant: Wolfgang Göderle	Ádám Balogh Ignacio García de Paso García Ben Van Zee Chair: Lucile Dreidemy Discussant: Daniel Hedinger	Nataša Henig Miščič Sergiu Delcea Miloš Vojinović Chair: David Schriffel / Discussant: Rebekah A. Klein-Pejšová	Amila Kasumović Therese Garstenauer Martin Klečacký Chair: Benjamin Frommer Discussant: Daniel Unowsky

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Panel 6 (honoring Pieter Judson:) East Central Europe in a Global Context	Panel 7: Technology, Industry, and Modernity	Panel 8: Women, Business & Capital	Panel 9: Reformation	Panel 10: The Changing Fates of Social Elites
Máté Rigó Anca Cretu Franz Fillafer Maureen Healy Matthew Rampley Chair: Peter Becker	Bianca Centrone Gregor Feindt Anna Remešová Chair: Julia Mead Discussant: Edit Fabó	Eveline Brugger Anna Molnár Oana Sorescu-Iudean Chair: Christina Lutter Discussant: Andrea Griesebner	Peter Benka Anastazja M Grudnicka Zsombor Tóth Chair: Ellinor Forster Discussant: Howard Louthan	Jan Bouška Heléna Tóth Jana Wohlmuth Markupová Chair: Miha Preinfalk Discussant: Gergely Romsics

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Panel 11: Migration and Refuge in Times of War	Panel 12: Mental Health and Psychology in Central Europe	Panel 13: The Commons – Its Use and Transformation	Panel 14: Imperial Continuities and Legacies	Panel 15: Religion/State
Enise Şeyda Kapusuz Balázs Juhász Yevhenii Monastyrskyi Chair: Katarzyna Nowak Discussant: Mark Cornwall	Christina Eiden Sabine Jesner Anastasiya Schacht Chair: Heike Karge Discussant: Paul Lerner	Zsuzsa Török Róbert Balogh Svit Komel Chair: Julia Richers Discussant: Kurt Scharr	Ivan Jeličić Elisavet Papalexopoulou Tamás Révész Chair: Nancy Wingfield Discussant: Chad Bryant	Gergely Brandl Benjamin Seebröcker Béla Vilmos Mihalik Chair: László Kontler Discussant: Franz L. Fillafer

Audimax

8:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Keynote 2: Tara Zahra

What Good is Habsburg History when the World is on Fire?

9:15 pm – 10:00 pm

Wine reception co-sponsored by the Collegium Hungaricum

Day 2: Friday July 18 2025

Seminarraum 1	Seminarraum 2	Seminarraum 3	Seminarraum 4	BIG Hörsaal
8:30 am — 10:00 am				
Panel 16: Global Migration in a Transatlantic Context	Panel 17: Resources	Panel 18: Visions of Governance	Panel 19: Habsburg Monarchy and the Global Web of Empire	Research Lab 1: Writing Maximilian: Different Methodological Approaches to an Emperor, his Staff and Policies
Zhanna Popova Allison Schmidt Bálint Varga Chair: Balázs Ablonczy Discussant: Maren Röger	Tadej Pavković Lisa Kolb Kata Tóth Chair: Doris Gruber Discussant: Sebastian Felten	Krisztián Csaplár-Degovics László Mika Rachel Trode Chair: Michal Kšiňan Discussant: John Paul Newman	Jonathan Singerton Zihao Song Markus Wurzer Chair: Christian De Vito Discussant: Natasha Wheatley	Sonja Lessacher Iris Palenik Ronald Kurt Salzer
10:30 am — 12:00 am				
Panel 20: Constructing Borderlands and Frontiers	Panel 21: Networks	Panel 22: The Urban Space and the Home	Panel 23: Chronopolitics of Modernization in Central and Eastern Europe	Research Lab 2: Post-WW1 Violence against Jews in Poland and the Future of the New State – Understanding the many Views from Outside. A Student-led research project
Leoš Kopka Jovo Miladinović Viktoriiia Serhiienko Chair: Ellinor Forster Discussant: Borut Klabjan	Melchior Jakubowski Ágnes Dóbkék Taisei Yamashita Chair: Manuela Mayer Discussant: Kolja Lichy	Noémi Kovács Susanne Korbelt Aleksander Łupienko Chair: Pieter Judson Discussant: Robert Nemes	Raul Cârstocea Vita Zalar Andrei Sorescu Chair: Mila Orlić Discussant: Christian Goeschel	Abijah Ahern / Gentian Doçi Madjar Duspulov / Neff Jelinek Anika Olbrisch / Paolo Phillips Chair: Jan Rybak
→ 1 hour lunchbreak				
1:00 pm — 2:30 pm				
Panel 24: Modernity in the Countryside	Panel 25: Military	Panel 26: Peril and Promise of Revolution in the mid-19th Century	Panel 27: Activism and Progressive Movements in the Society	Research Lab 3: The Influence and Acceptance of Prof. Pieter M. Judson’s Work on Historical Studies of East-Central Europe in Japan
Corinne Geering Laszlo Vörös Bogdan Dumitru Chair: Kurt Scharr Discussant: Patrice Dabrowski	Florin Nicolae Ardelean Bence Péterfi László Szokola Chair: Dušan Zupka Discussant: Alexandra Kaar	Daniel Banks Henry Philippe Blood Yasyn Abdullaev Chair: Tanja Penter Discussant: Elena Bacchin	Emily Steinhauer Fabian Baumann Gabriella Jeki Chair: Vanni D’Alessio Discussant: Sabine Rutar	Yuko Kiryu Tetsutada Suzuki Takumi Ide Takako Furukawa Chair: Takako Furukawa / Discussant: Taisei Yamashita

3:00 pm — 4:30 pm

Panel 28: Communication/Religion	Panel 29: Diplomacy	Panel 30: (honoring P. Judson) End of Empire – Fall of Empire	Panel 31: Empire in the Urban Space	Research Lab 4: Environmental History of PoTaRCh (potash, tar, resin, charcoal) in Central Europe
Viktor Kanász Stanislava Kuzmová Benjamin Marschke Chair: Thomas Wallnig Discussant: Martin Scheutz	Giorgio Rota / Lukás Rybár Magdalena Jakubowska Ágnes Szalai Chair: Yasir Yilmaz Discussant: Arno Strohmeyer	Claire Morelon Natasha Wheatley Gábor Egry Jan Rybak Daniel Unowsky Chair: Dominique Reill	Irene Messinger Ágnes Németh Gábor Koloh Chair: Alice Freifeld Discussant: Andreas Weigl	Anna Varga Elisabeth Johann Joachim Popek Grzegorz Wrona

5:00 pm — 6:30 pm

Panel 32: Imagining the Nation	Panel 33: Sources For Medieval History	Panel 34: The Long Afterlife of Empire	Panel 35: Being Single and Reading the News	Research Lab 5: Fifty Years, Many Empires: “Die Habsburgermonarchie 1848-1918” and the Evolution of Habsburg Historiography
Nikola Tomašegović Imre Tarafás Anna Adorjáni Chair: Miloš Řezník Discussant: Michael L. Miller	Bálint Lakatos Johannes Laroche Oleksandr Okhrimenko Chair: Judit Majorossy Discussant: Jonathan Lyon	Marco Bresciani Gyöngyi Heltai Răzvan Rosu Chair: Pál Hatos Discussant: Cristina Florea	Orel Beilinson Katya Motyl Michał J. Wilczewski Chair: Burkhardt Wolf Discussant: Anita Kurimay	Peter Urbanitsch and Andreas Gottsmann discuss with Pieter Judson / Jana Osterkamp Milan Hlavačka / Julia Bavouzet

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7:30 pm — 8:30 pm

Roundtable: Pieter Judson and the Future of the Habsburg Empire

Jana Osterkamp Mark Cornwall Alison Frank Johnson	Kamil Karczewski Emily Greble Chair: Gary Cohen
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8:30 pm — 2:00 am

Reception

Day 3: Saturday July 19 2025

Seminarraum 1	Seminarraum 2	Seminarraum 3	Seminarraum 4	BIG Hörsaal
8:30 am — 10:00 am				
Panel 36: The Arts in the Service of Politics	Panel 37: Transnational Networks of Science and State Building	Panel 38: Military History as Social History / Military Culture in the Civil Society	Panel 39: Imperial History through Food	Research Lab 6: New Books in Habsburg History
Richard Kurdiovsky & Vendula Hníková Naoko Kogo Béla Rásky Chair: Monika Bočková Discussant: Matthew Rampley	Jared Warren Tibor Bodnár-Király Janek Wasserman Chair: Erika Szívós Discussant: Holly Case	Michal Cáp Marie Findeisen Oksana Vynnyk Chair: Goran Vasin Discussant: Tamara Scheer	Amy Millet Corentin Gruffat Jernej Kosi Chair: Claudia Kreklau Discussant: Claire Morelon	8:30 am — 9:30 am Part 1: Hannes Grandits / Ibolya Murber Katharina Tyran 9:30 am — 10:00 am Part 2: Nadja Weck and Jana Osterkamp discuss with Ákos Kárbin
10:30 am — 12:00 am				
Panel 40: Diplomacy between Bureaucrats and Noblemen	Panel 41: Politics, Performace, and Psychoanalysis from Empire to Nation	Panel 42: Making the Economies of Central Europe	Panel 43: Health, Care, and Control in the Monarchy	Research Lab 7: The Habsburg Middle Class in the Making – A Digital Prosopography of the Hof- und Staatshandbuch (1780–1918)
Vladislav Lilić Sven Mörsdorf Jonathan Kwan Chair: Anna Ross Discussant: Andrej Rahten	Andreea Kaltenbrunner Karel Šima Sunaina Danziger Chair: Márkus Keller Discussant: Scott Moore	Zachary Mazur Gabriel Godeffroy Anna Diem Chair: David Petruccelli Discussant: Máté Rigó	Janka Kovács Gergely Magos Viktória Sághy Chair: Jan Rybak Discussant: Susan Zimmermann	Wolfgang Göderle Franz Fillafer Julia Bavouzet
→ 1 hour lunchbreak				

1:00 pm — 2:30 pm

Panel 44: The Law in the Making of Central European Societies	Panel 45: From Jewish Integration to the ‚Only True Austrians’?	Panel 46: Trading and Trafficking Across the Border	Panel 47: Revisiting the Habsburg Empire’s Last War	Research Lab 8: Österreich. Die ganze Geschichte (Austria — The Whole Story). A documentary series in 40 episodes produced by the ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation)
Sebastian Spitra Péter Techet Oskar Mulej Chair: Claire Morelon Discussant: Jana Osterkamp	Ilya Berkovich Lida Maria Dodou Alicja Maślak-Maciejewska Chair: Martina Steer Discussant: Marsha Rozenblit	Vlad Popovici Darko Leitner-Stojanov Margarita Lerman Chair: Michael Burri Discussant: Gábor Egry	Paul Gradvohl Jovana Lazić Marcela Hennlichová Chair: John Deak Discussant: Robert Gerwarth	Maureen Healey / Robert Nemes Ota Konrád / Kolja Lichy Klaus-Jürgen Hermanik discuss with Alexander Apostolidis Chair: Peter Becker

3:00 pm — 4:30 pm

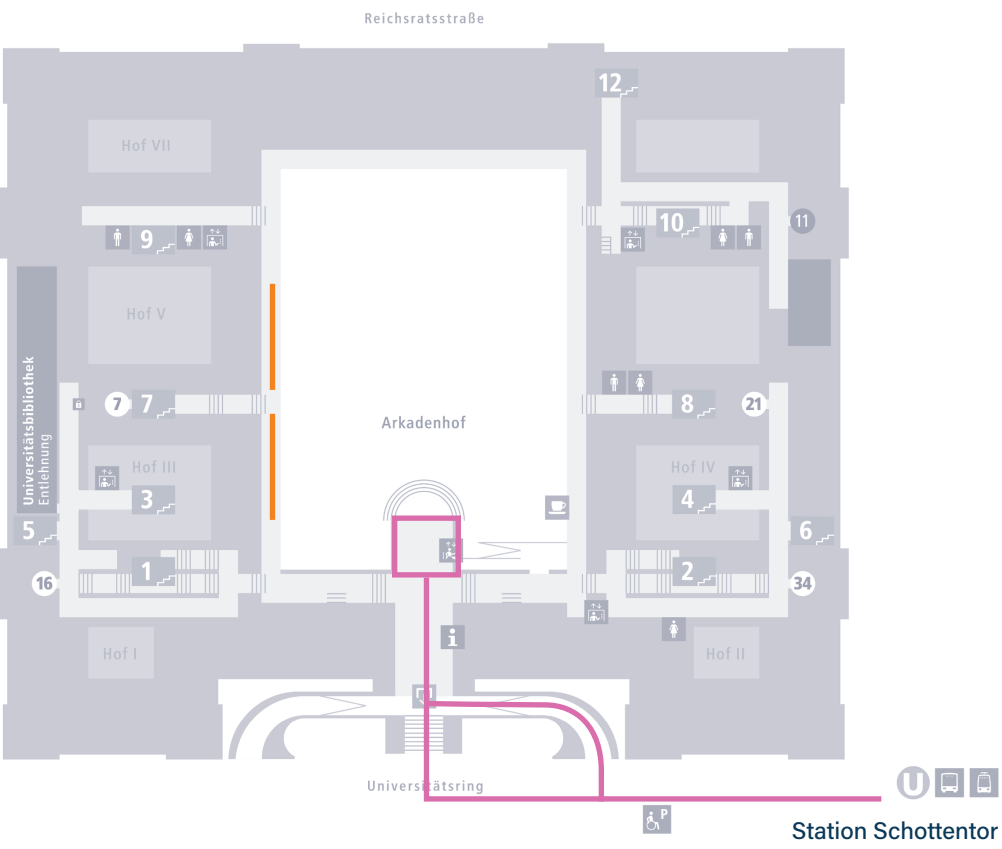
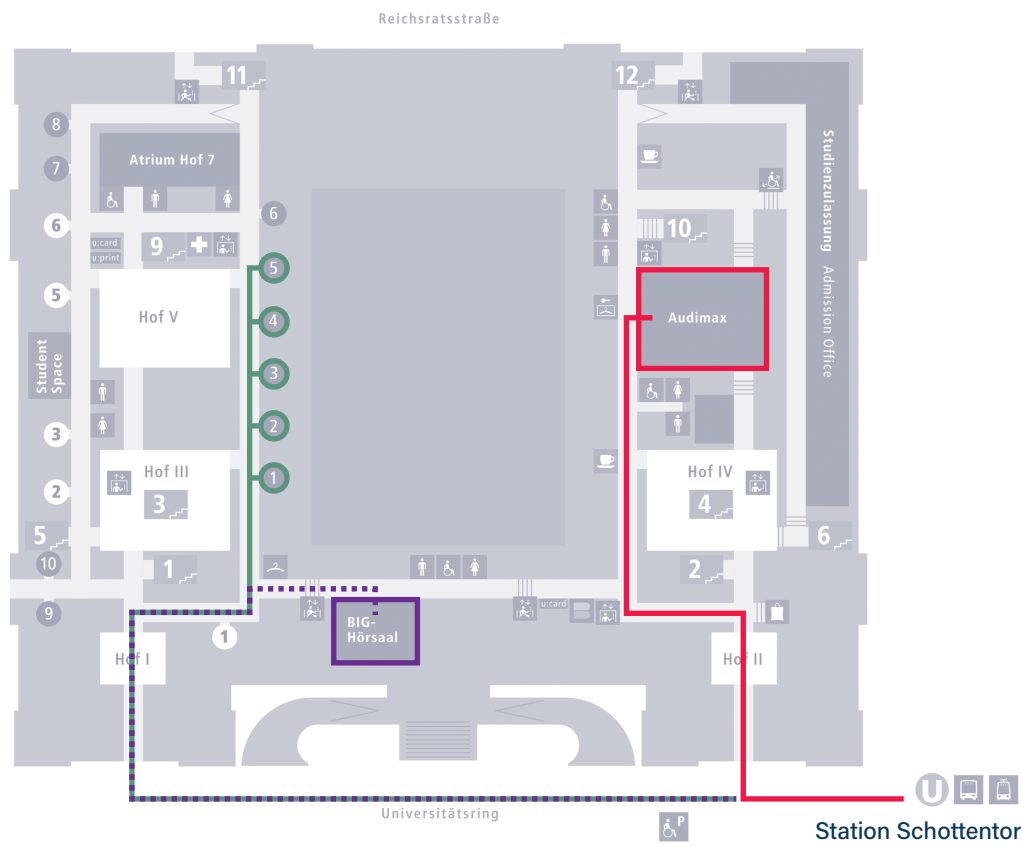
Panel 48: Organised Christianity in the Apostolic Monarchy	Panel 49: Public Health / Transformation of Health Care	Panel 50: Cultures of Conflict in the Local Space	Panel 51: Discovering Dualism in Debate: Administrative Reform Debates in the late Habsburg Monarchy	Research Lab 9: A Source for All cases – The Minutes of the Council of Ministers, Hybrid Edition
Tomasz Hen-Konarski Christopher Wendt Katalin Pataki Chair: Gábor Hollósi Discussant: James Bjork	Viola Lászlófi Lucija Balikić Alexander Obermüller Chair: John Paul Newman Discussant: Ke-Chin Hsia	Jan Bernot David Smrček Vincent Hoyer Chair: Paul Miller-Melamed Discussant: Winson Chu	Julia Bavouzet Matyas Erdelyi Thomas Rohringer Chair: Iván Bertényi Discussant: Jeremy King	Anatol Schmied-Kowarzik Wladimir Fischer Nebmaier Stephan Kurz Dimitra Grigoriou

5:00 pm — 6:30 pm

Panel 52: Sounds of Music from the Habsburg Lands to the World	Panel 53: The Great War Beyond the Front	Panel 54: Archeology and the Making of History	Panel 55: International Movements and International Protection	Research Lab 10: Sources and Resources
Rebecca Epstein-Boley Anthony J. Steinhoff Fritz Trümpi Chair: Gary Cohen Discussant: Philipp Ther	Evelyn Knappitsch Kathryn Densford Yuzu Nakatsuji Chair: Leonard Smith Discussant: Jonathan Gumz	Daniel Baric Cosmin Minea Daniela Haarmann Chair: Johannes Feichtinger Discussant: Angelika Hudler	John Paul Newman Nicole Albrecht Judit Acsady Chair: Balázs Pálvölgyi Discussant: Anca Cretu	5:00 pm — 5:45 pm Part 1: Yuval Lubin 5:45 pm — 6:30 pm Part 2: Cyril Mrázek

→ End of Conference

Orientation: University of Vienna



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- Seminarraum 1-5
- BIG Hörsaal
- Audimax

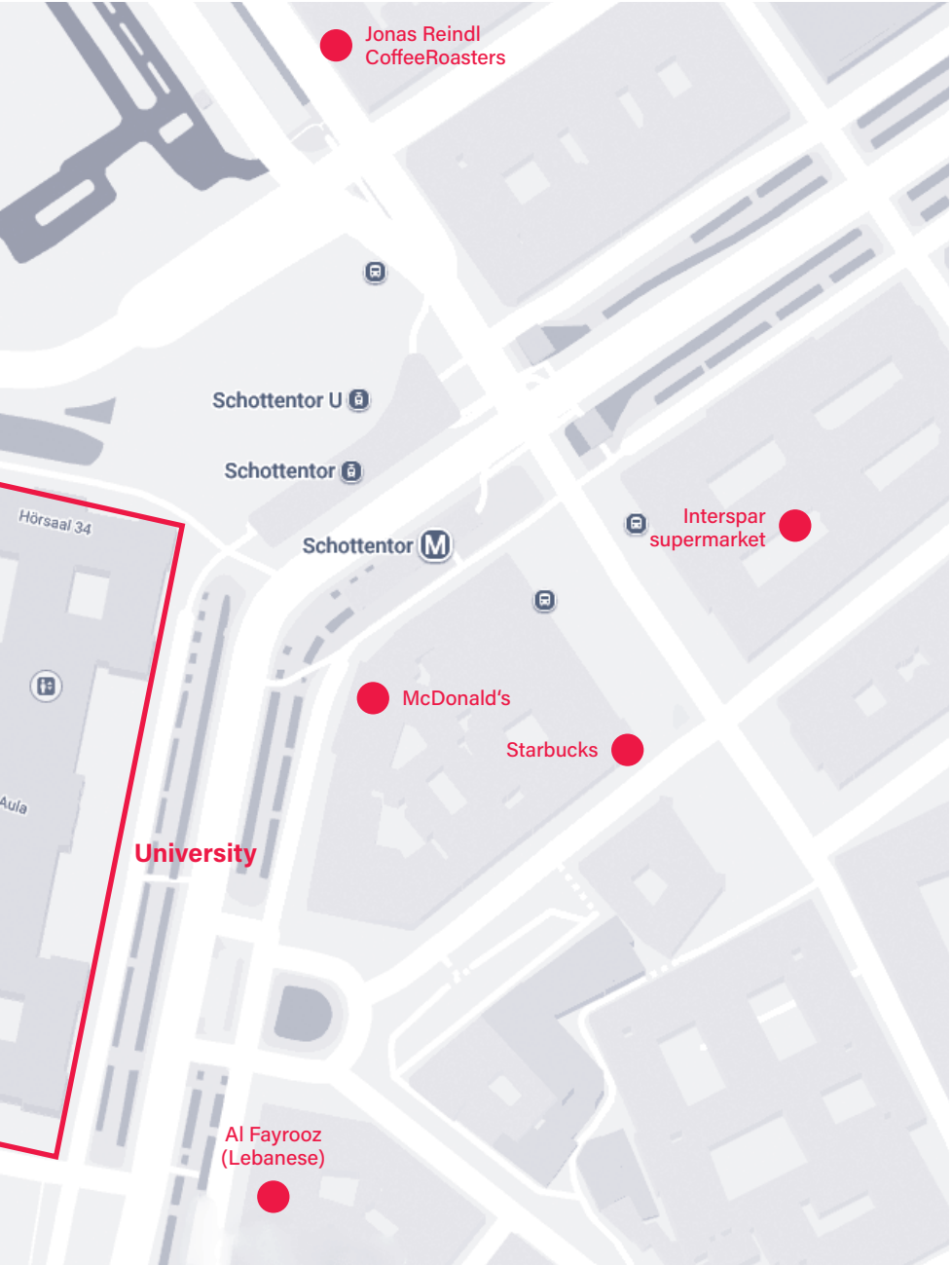
Hochparterre (= ground floor)

- Registration
- Refreshments

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Poster Presentations

Thursday, July 17

12:00 am — 1:00 pm

Áron Tótfős [Eötvös Loránd University]
The Spatiality of Prostitution in Budapest

Asaf Segal Doron [Hebrew University of Jerusalem]
Between Tradition and Modernity: Equality Before the Law at the 1861 Hungarian High Judge Conference.

Bertalan Bordás [Eötvös Loránd University]
“The British Effect” on Austro-Hungarian foreign policy under the crisis years of 1877–1878

Adrian-Bogdan Ceobanu [Alexandru Ioan Cuza University]
Romanian Diplomatic and Consular Network in Austria-Hungary (1878–1916)

Cody James Inglis [Central European University]
“The Promise of Progress: The Political Thought of Imre Csécsy (1893–1961)”

6:30 pm — 7:30 pm

Cole Ashkenazy [Central European University]
“The Forever Vanished Past:”1 Memory of the Habsburg Monarchy in the Former Cisleithanian German Language Press, 1920–1929

David Fetzer [Albert-Ludwigs-University Freiburg]
Nationalisms Going Local: Defensive Associations in Comparative Perspective, 1879–1914

Dylan Thomas Mask [Central European University]
Policies from the Periphery: South Slavic Refugee Movements’ Influences on the Habsburg Monarchy’s Pretensions Toward Bosnia and Herzegovina, 1848–75

Genki Okuda [University of Vienna]
The process of the establishment of the Islam Law of 1912 in Dualistic Austria: Focusing on the debates on preparing the bill of the law

Mária Lengyel [Eötvös Loránd University]
The Emergence of the Title of Palace Lady at the Viennese Court in the late 18th century

Friday, July 18

12:00 am — 1:00 pm

Luděk Němec [University of Vienna]
Habsburg Nobility: Castles in Interwar Czechoslovakia Between Private and Collective Memory

Matthias Lehmann [University of Augsburg]
“This jarring and heterogeneous mass” – Female Perspectives on the Inner Dynamics of Austria and Hungary in the Mid-19th Century

Matthias Melcher [Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich]
Arrows from Žižka’s time and a girl gone missing. On the Dissemination and Effects of Viral Stories in the Habsburg Monarchy During the 19th Century

Simon Neumaier [European University Institute]
Public labor in a changing municipal economy. Managing workers and consumers in Vienna’s City Workforce between Empire and Republic (ca. 1910–1930)

Ondřej Kukan [Charles University]
Personnel and structural changes in the Austrian railway after the Anschluss in 1938

6:30 pm — 7:30 pm

Pavle Petković [University of Novi Sad]
The Congress of Berlin and the Question of Integration of the Serbs in Austria-Hungary – between Foreign and Internal Affairs

Phillip Moritz [University of Vienna]
The Vienna Chamber of Labour’s approach to unemployment and migration in the interwar period

Stanislav Valášek [Independent researcher]
In the shadow of success : Unrealized projects and blind ambitions of the Habsburg monarchs

Zsolti Szabó [Babeş-Bolyai University]
Kinship, ethnicity, bureaucracy: the functionary families of 19th century Maramureş

Liubov Stepánova [Charles University]
The Eurasian Gaze: Russian Émigré Perceptions of the Ottoman Empire in Interwar Czechoslovakia

Saturday, July 19

12:00 am — 1:00 pm

Thomas A. Szigeti [New York University]
The “Magna Carta of the Hungarians” and the “Millennial Constitution”: Anglocentrism and Hungarian Constitutional Discourse, 1867–1920

Valéria Kršiaková [Masaryk University]
“How you are enchanting, my dear Motherland” Imagining Homeland in the Interwar Slovakia and Slovak State (1918–1945)

Zsolt Vörös [University of Pécs]
Turning Points of Serbian efforts to change the regime in the city of Pécs (1918–1919)

Panos Ambelas [Ionian University]
“Royal Whispers in Zakynthos: The Hidden Sojourn of Maria Carolina of Austria on the British-Protected Island of Zakynthos (1813)”

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