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Mr Jan Hamáček, Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies
of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

Mr Martin Stropnický,
Minister of Defence of the Czech Republic

and **Colonel Aleš Knížek**,
Director of the Military History Institute Prague

would like to take this opportunity to invite you to a scientific conference

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1915 – NEW ENEMIES, NEW CHALLENGES

from the Military History Institute Prague series
Those Years Harnessed in the Battlefield 1914–1918

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Tuesday, **22 September** and Wednesday, **23 September 2015**
at the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic
room No. 205, 2nd floor,
Sněmovní 1, Prague 1



CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Tuesday 22 September 2015

Registration of participants

09:15–09:55

Conference Opening Ceremony

10:00–10:15

- Address of the Director of the Military History Institute Prague,
Colonel Aleš Knížek
- Address of the Minister of Defence of the Czech Republic,
Mr Martin Stropnický

PANEL 1

10:15–11:30

Moderated by Karel Straka

- Lothar Höbelt
Marburg – Negotin – Tarnow. Der italienische Kriegseintritt und die militärischen Alternativen der Mittelmächte
- Gerhard Artl
Italiens Weg in den Krieg
- Petra Svoljšak
Italian war plans and Slovenian territory: from planning to fulfilment
- Tibor Balla
Die Teilnahme der ungarischen Truppen in der 1.–4. Isonzoschlacht an der italienischen Front im Jahre 1915

Coffee break

11:30–11:45

PANEL 2

11:45–12:45

Moderated by Jiří Rajlich

- Richard Stojar
The Balkan gambit – military operations and strategic intentions of the belligerents in the Balkan theatre in 1915
- Ferenc Pollmann
Genesis of the Austro-Hungarian offensive plans against Serbia in 1915

- Zdeněk Jindra
German war aim “Mitteleuropa” in response of Bohemian and Austrian Germans, its followers and supporters in the first year of the war 1914/1915

Lunch

12:45–14:00

14:00–14:10

- Greetings by the Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic, Mr Jan Hamáček

PANEL 3

14:10–15:30

Moderated by Jindřich Marek

- Jaroslav Bouček
First World War and historians
- Eduard Kubů – Jiří Šouša
Austro-Hungarian war propaganda in the field of literature
- Thomas F. Schneider
Literarische Mobilmachung: Die Neuorientierung der deutschen Kriegsliteratur und Kriegsberichterstattung im Jahr 1915
- Brigitte Stocker
Phänomen des Gaskrieges in Kraus’ zeitgenössischer Satire von 1915 bis in die 1920er Jahre

Coffee break

15:30–15:45

PANEL 4

15:45–17:00

Moderated by Miloslav Čaplovič

- Jan Županič
Last knights of the monarchy: Austro-Hungarian military aristocracy in the First World War
- Václav Horčíčka
Austria-Hungary and the problem of the so-called submarine warfare in 1915
- Jan Galandauer
Conflict of the civil and military authorities in Bohemia in 1915 – resignation of the governor Thun

- Jan Hájek
First war loans and their subscription by saving banks in the Czech lands in 1915

PANEL 5

17:00–18:15

Moderated by Jaroslav Láník

- Ludmila Fialová
The main characteristic development of the population of the Czech lands in 1915
- Milena Lenderová
Child refugees and imprisoned children
- Alena Jindrová
Forced resettlement of Italians from the Austrian Littoral and the barrack camp in Německý Brod
- Jiří Klůc
Heinrichsgrün (Jindřichovice) POW camp 1915–1918

Glass of Wine given by Colonel Aleš Knížek, Director of the Military History Institute Prague, for conference participants; connected with the ceremonial opening of the exhibition dedicated to the Centenary of the first battles on the Isonzo Front held under the auspices of Ambassador of the Republic of Slovenia to the Czech Republic H. E. Mr Leon Marc.

Army Museum in Žižkov, U Památníku 2, Prague 3

19:00–21:30

Wednesday 23 September 2015

Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic
room No. 205, 2nd floor, Sněmovní 1, Praha 1.

Registration of participants

08:15–09:00

PANEL 6

09:00–11:00

Moderated by Tomáš Jakl

- Lukáš Dulíček
Imperial and Royal Infantry Regiment No. 18 on the Eastern Front in 1915

- Tomáš Kykal
Failure of the Imperial–Royal Landwehr Infantry Regiment Prague No. 8 at Sukov on 20 March 1915
- Richard Lein
„Ihr habt aufgehört, Achtundzwanziger zu sein...“ Zur Auflösung und Wiederaufstellung des Prager Hausregiments im Kriegsjahr 1915
- Radim Kapavík
Combat actions of the Imperial and Royal Infantry Regiment No. 81 in the Carpathians in 1915
- Christian E. Reiter
Der sogenannte Verrat des Infanterieregiments Nr. 36 im Gefecht bei Sieniawa am 27. Mai 1915
- František Fürbach
Imperial and Royal Infantry Regiment No. 75 in 1915–1916
- Jiří Hutečka
Perception of authority and the morale of Czech soldiers in the Austro-Hungarian Army, 1914–1918

Coffee break

11:00–11:15

PANEL 7

11:15–12:45

Moderated by Tomáš Kykal

- David Adam Ligeti
Breakthrough at Gorlice – consequences, aftermath
- Christian Stachelbeck
Die 11. bayerische Infanteriedivision in der Schlacht von Gorlice–Tarnów
- John R. Schindler
Conrad’s ‘autumn swinery’: Austria-Hungary’s failed eastern offensive, 1915
- Kamil Ruszała
Living among graves, military monuments, ruins and trenches – the landscape in West Galicia in 1915
- Alexander Querengässer
„Wenn die Generale noch einmal die Kriegsschule besuchen müßten, würden sie durchfallen“ – Anachronismen, Stagnation und Innovation in der deutschen Armee 1915

Lunch

12:45–13:45

PANEL 8

13:45–15:00

Moderated by Jiří Plachý

- František Hanzlík
Compatriots in the USA and their help to the Czechoslovak Action Abroad led by T. G. Masaryk in 1915
- Ondřej Kolář – Tomáš Rusek
Secret mission of Emil Posker, young member of the Czech Družhina, and a „high treasonous“ affair in the region of Orlová in 1915
- Dalibor Vácha
One day in the life of Josef Novák, an Austro-Hungarian soldier in Russian captivity
- Karel Řeháček
Junobrana (Jugendwehr) – paramilitary youth organisation in Pilsen in 1915–1918

PANEL 9

15:00–16:30

Moderated by Ivo Pejčoch

- Václav Smrčka – Vlasta Mádlová
War injuries and Prague hospitals in 1915
- Peter Chorvát
The first phase of constitution and existence of epidemiological observation stations in Hungary (1914–1915)
- Damjana Fortunat Černilogar
The dead are all on the same side – military cemeteries at the Soča (Isonzo) Front in the Soča Valley
- Tadej Koren
The Isonzo Front a hundred years later – the case of the Walk of Peace (Pot miru)
- Marco Mantini
Memento mori project

Coffee break

16:30–16:45

PANEL 10

16:45–18:30

Moderated by Jan Šach

- Pavel Filipek
Czech war graves abroad
- Zdeněk Munzar – Marek Fišer – Tomáš Kykal
Digital Reading Room of the Ministry of Defence of the Czech Republic
- Jan Zámečník
Records of First World War casualties in the Military Central Archives – Military History Archives Prague
- Jana Zaťková
Archives of the Slovak Republic as a source for the First World War research
- Jiří Zubalík – Michal Hlavica – Jan Petřík – Jakub Těsnohlídek – Martin Vojtas
Archaeological research of remains of Austro-Hungarian field fortifications from the Easter Battle in Carpathians – first results
- Dominik Kurek – Kamil Karski – Tomasz Tokarczyk
Archaeological research on the remains of the First World War in Southeastern Poland (case study of forgotten gravesites in Zdziary and Kłyżów villages) – material culture, anthropological analyses and historical background

Summary:

18:30–18:40

Thursday 24 September 2015

Special guided tour to Prague Castle

09:00–12:00

Please confirm your attendance.

The numbers of places for the conference are limited.

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Note:

- Contribution of 15 minutes
- Discussion at the end of each panel limited to 15 minutes maximum

LIST OF SPEAKERS (in alphabetical order):

- Hofrat Dr. phil. Gerhard Artl (Austrian State Archives – War Archives, Vienna)
- Lt Col Tibor Balla, Ph.D. (Military History Institute and Museum, Budapest)
- PhDr. Jaroslav Bouček, CSc. (Administrative Archives of the Ministry of Health, Prague)
- Damjana Fortunat Černilogar, MSc. (Tolmin museum, Tolmin)
- Mgr. et Mgr. Lukáš Dulíček (Historical Imperial-Royal Line Infantry Regiment No. 18, r.s., Hradec Králové)
- Doc. RNDr. Ludmila Fialová, CSc. (Faculty of Science, Charles University, Prague)
- Lt Col (ret.) Ing. Pavel Filipek (War Veterans Department, Ministry of Defence of the Czech Republic, Prague)
- Mgr. Marek Fišer (Military History Institute Prague)
- PaedDr. František Fürbach (Museum of Jindřichův Hradec)
- doc. PhDr. Jan Galandauer, DrSc. (emeritus scientific worker, Military History Institute Prague)
- PhDr. Jan Hájek, CSc. (Faculty of Humanities, Charles University, Prague)
- prof. PhDr. František Hanzlík, CSc. (Faculty of Military Leadership, University of Defence, Brno)
- Mgr. Michal Hlavica (Faculty of Arts, Masaryk University, Brno)
- Univ.-Prof. Dr. Lothar Höbelt (Faculty of Historical and Cultural Studies, University of Vienna)
- doc. PhDr. Václav Horčíčka, Ph.D. (Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague)
- Mgr. Jiří Hutečka, Ph.D. (Philosophical Faculty, University of Hradec Králové)
- Mgr. Peter Chorvát, Ph.D. (Institute of Military History, Bratislava)
- prof. PhDr. Zdeněk Jindra, CSc. (emeritus professor, Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague)
- Mgr. Alena Jindrová (Museum Vysočiny, Havlíčkův Brod)
- Ing. Radim Kapavík (Signum Belli 1914)
- Mgr. Kamil Karski (Faculty of Sociology and History, University of Rzeszów)
- Jiří Klúč (Grammar school Ostrov)
- Mgr. Ondřej Kolář, Ph.D. (Silesian Museum, Opava)
- Mag. Tadej Koren (Walk of Peace Foundation in the Soča River Region, Kobarid)
- prof. PhDr. Eduard Kubů, CSc. (Unicorn College, Prague)
- Mgr. Dominik Kurek (Faculty of Sociology and History, University of Rzeszów)
- Mgr. Tomáš Kykal (Military History Institute Prague)
- Mag. Dr. phil. Richard Lein (Central European Studies, Andrassy University, Budapest)
- prof. PhDr. Milena Lenderová, CSc. (Faculty of Arts and Philosophy, University of Pardubice)
- Dr. David Adam Ligeti, Ph.D. (VERITAS Research Institute for History, Budapest)

- Mgr. Vlasta Mádlová (Masaryk Institute and Archive of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, PRI, Prague)
- Dr. Marco Mantini (Great War Research and Study Group, Italian Alpine Club, Julian Alpine Society, Trieste)
- Mgr. Zdeněk Munzar, DiS. (Military History Institute Prague)
- Mgr. Jan Petřík (Faculty of Arts, Masaryk University, Brno)
- Dr. phil. Ferenc Pollmann (Military History Institute and Museum, Budapest)
- Alexander Querengässer, M. A. (Faculty of Arts, University of Potsdam)
- MMag. Dr. phil. Christian E. Reiter (Vienna)
- Bc. Tomáš Rusek (Silesian University in Opava)
- Mgr. Kamil Ruszała (Faculty of History, Jagiellonian University, Kraków)
- PhDr. Karel Řeháček (State Regional Archives in Pilsen)
- John R. Schindler, Ph.D. (Newport, Rhode Island)
- Dr. habil. Thomas F. Schneider (Erich Maria Remarque-Peace Center, Osnabrück University)
- doc. MUDr. Václav Smrčka, CSc. (First Faculty of Medicine, Charles University, Prague)
- Lt Col Dr. phil. Christian Stachelbeck (Bundeswehr Centre for Military History and Social Sciences, Potsdam)
- Dr. phil. Brigitte Stocker (Faculty of Philological and Cultural Studies, University of Vienna)
- Mgr. Richard Stojar, Ph.D. (Centre for Security and Military Strategic Studies, University of Defence, Brno)
- Petra Svoljšak, Ph.D. (Milko Kos Historical Institute, Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Ljubljana)
- doc. PhDr. Jiří Šouša, CSc. (Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague)
- Mgr. Jakub Těsnohlídek (Faculty of Arts, Masaryk University, Brno)
- Mgr. Tomasz Tokarczyk (Faculty of Sociology and History, University of Rzeszów)
- PhDr. Dalibor Vácha, Ph.D. (Faculty of Philosophy, University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice)
- Bc. et Bc. Martin Vojtas (Faculty of Arts, Masaryk University, Brno)
- Mgr. Jan Zámečník (Military History Archives, Prague)
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