Imperial Experts and Their Autobiographical Practices. The Russian, Austro-Hungarian and Ottoman Empires in Comparison (late 19th - early 20th centuries)

July 20
19:00
Welcome Dinner
Da Rosario, Schönfeldstr. 22

July 21
09:30 - 10:30
Welcome and Introduction
Martin Aust and Benjamin Schenk

10:30 - 12:30
Jewish Autobiography

Chair
Martin Aust

Marina Mogil’ner
Defining the Racial Self: Autobiographical Contexts of Vladimir Jabotinsky’s Engagement with the Discourse of Race

Jörg Schulte
Hebrew Childhood in Late Imperial Russia: The Autobiography of Saul Tchernichowsky (1875–1943)

Commentator
Alexis Hofmeister

Paper presentations 20 min, comment 20 min, coffee break 30 min, discussion 50 min.

12:45
Lunch
Sarovar, Fürstenstr. 12

15:00 - 18:00
Ottoman Empire

Chair
Murat Kaya

Felix Konrad
Visions of Professionalism, Progress and Social Advancement: the Autobiographical Writing of Muhammad al-Baqli (born 1838/39)

Eyal Ginio
Reflecting on their own Experiences, Reflecting on the Empire: Ottoman Officers' Writing on the Balkan War

Barbara Henning

Richard Wittmann
Torn between God and His "Shadow on Earth": Self-Positioning in the Life Narrative of a 19th-century Ottoman Civil Servant

Commentator
Maurus Reinkowski

Paper presentations 40 min, comment 20 min, coffee break 30 min, discussion 90 min.
18:00 Walk through the **Englischer Garten** to the Restaurant Parea

**19:00 Dinner**

Parea, Kaiserstr. 5

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**July 22**

09:00 - 12:00

**Habsburg Empire**

**Chair** Nora Mengel  
*Waltraud Heindl* Memoirs of k. (u.) k. Bureaucrats: Perceptions and Fictions  
*Marian Wullschleger* „Truthfulness and Sincerity“. Habsburg Civil Servants in Trieste and their Autobiographical Practices after the Fall of the Empire.  
*Christian Marchetti* The Ethnographic „I“ – Autobiographical Writing of Ethnographers in the Late Habsburg Empire  
**Commentator** Robert Luft

*Paper presentations 40 min, comment 20 min, coffee break 30 min, discussion 90 min.*

12:30 **Lunch**

Sarovar, Fürstenstr. 12

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14:30 - 16:30

**Russian Empire**

**Chair** Carla Cordin  
*Peter Holquist* Bureaucratic Diaries: Fedor F. Martens, Dmitrii A. Miliutin and Petr A. Valuev  
*Guido Hausmann* A Testimonial of Scholarly Work in Late Imperial Russia: the Memoirs of the Geographer Veniamin P. Tian-Shanskii (1870-1942)  
**Commentator** Benjamin Schenk

*Paper presentations 20 min, comment 20 min, coffee break 30 min, discussion 50 min.*

17:00 - 18:00

**Final discussion**

19:00

**Farewell Dinner**

Da Rosario, Schönfeldstr. 22