

Heading:

Conference: Historiography on the Bohemian Lands I (1900-1952)

Text:

20th CENTURY HISTORIOGRAPHY ON THE BOHEMIAN LANDS
Scientific traditions – Institutions – Discourses

Annual symposium of the Collegium Carolinum, 2003/04
Bad Wiessee, Nov. 21-23, 2002

Placing historiography on the Bohemian lands in the perspective of German “Ostforschung” – **East Europe Research** – largely remains yet to be done. The conference thus aims at assembling existing results **in this regard** and to place them in the context of analyzing the history of the **own** academic discipline. The November 2003 symposium is the first installment of a two-part conference which will look at central issues and the institutional framework, but also the ideological and political bearings of Czech and German historiographies on the Bohemian lands. This year’s symposium is devoted to the period 1900-1952, while next year’s event will focus on the years 1938-1989, the double treatment of the period 1938-52 aimed in particular at examining continuities and discontinuities.

CONFERENCE AGENDA

THURSDAY, Nov. 20

20.00

Movie show: The Czech documentary “Denik pana Pfitznera / Mr. Pfitzner’s Diary”, with an introduction by Christiane Brenner (Munich)

FRIDAY, Nov. 21

09.15

Welcome address by Martin Schulze Wessel (Munich)

INTRODUCTION

Robert Luft (Munich), Peter Haslinger (Munich): 20th Century Historiography on the Bohemian Lands – Introductory Remarks

Christoph Cornelißen (Kiel): What’s new with Respect to an Ancient Debate? German Historians and National Socialism

Discussion

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

HISTORIOGRAPHY AS A MEANS OF CONVEYING NATIONAL IDENTITY

Milos Havelka (Prague): The Debates about the Purpose of Czech History and about the National Character

Hans Lemberg (Marburg): From German Bohemians to Sudeten Germans: The Contribution of Historical Science and History Politics

Discussion

13.00-15.00 Lunch break

IMAGES OF THE OWN AND THE ALIEN IN CZECH HISTORIOGRAPHY

Josef Harna (Prague): “Czechoslovakism” in First and Second Republic Historiography – Concepts and Institutions

Jiri Pesek (Prague): “Germanness” in the Czech View on History, 1900-1948

Discussion

16.30-17.00 Coffee break

HISTORIC EVENTS AND THEIR HISTORIOGRAPHIC TREATMENT

Martin Zückert (Freiburg im Breisgau): World War I in Czech Historiography, 1918-1945

Sabine Fuchs (Vienna/Salzburg): Views of the Habsburg Monarchy in German-Language Works 1900-1938

Discussion

SATURDAY, Nov. 22

09.15

GERMAN “OSTFORSCHUNG” AND THE BOHEMIAN LANDS

Frank Hadler (Leipzig): German Historiography in the Bohemian Lands, 1900-1945: Continuities and Discontinuities

Pavel Kolar (Potsdam): Innovation at the Fringe? German Historiography in Prague from the 1920s to the 1940s within the Overall Context of German-Language Science

Discussion

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

Gerhard Seewann (Munich): German South East Europe Research and Czechoslovakia – Institutional and Personal Relations

Andreas Wiedemann (Düsseldorf): The Heydrich Endowment as an Example of Nazi Science Politics in the Protectorate

Discussion

13.00-15.00 Lunch Break

INSTITUTIONS AND PERSONS – CONTINUITY AND CHANGE

Michal Svatos (Prague): Institutional Foundations of Historiography at the two Prague Universities, 1918-1945

Antonin Kostlan (Prague): The Academies of Sciences and Czech Historical Societies, 1918-1952

Discussion

16.30-17.00 Coffee break

Alena Miskova (Prague): 1918, 1945 and 1948: Years of Fresh Starts and New People in Czech and Slovak Historiography?

Discussion

SUNDAY, Nov. 23

9.00

CONCLUDING DISCUSSION

Ad-hoc statements:

Rudolf Jaworski (Kiel)

Jan Kren (Prague)

Michal Kopecek (Prague)

Martin Schulze Wessel (Munich)

Discussion

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

SUMMARY OF CONFERENCE RESULTS

Peter Haslinger (Munich)

Robert Luft (Munich)

Christiane Brenner (Munich)

K. Erik Franzen (Munich)

Discussion

Conference ends 12.30

PLANNING AND ORGANIZATION

2003 symposium: Peter Haslinger, Robert Luft

2004 symposium: Christiane Brenner, K. Erik Franzen, Stephanie Weiss

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