

Programme of the international academic conference

Heroes and Villains of the Visegrád Countries' National History in the Historiographical Reflections of Neighbours

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Prague, Czernin Palais, 1-3 December 2011

The conference is being held by the Institute of Contemporary History at the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, under the auspices of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic.

The conference proceedings will take place in the four national languages with simultaneous interpretation in the languages of the Visegrád Group and English.

Conference partners:

The International Visegrad Fund

The Institute of History at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

The Institute of Political Studies at the Polish Academy of Sciences

The Institute of History at the Slovak Academy of Sciences

The Institute for Public Affairs, Bratislava

The PANT Association

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First Day - Thursday, 1 December

2.30–3 pm Registration

3 pm Opening of the conference Welcome by representatives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, the International Visegrad Fund, and the organizing institution

3.30-5.30 pm Block I

Chaired by Paweł Ukielski, Institute of Political Studies, Warsaw

The Congress of Visegrád, 1335, John of Luxembourg, Charles I of Anjou, and Casimir III the Great: Diplomats and Warriors

Lenka Bobková, Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague and Enikö Csukovits, Institute of History, Budapest

Hussite Incursions on the Territory of the Visegrád Countries

Ján Lukačka, Institute of History, Bratislava and Jiří Rak, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University, Prague

The Last Jagiellons on the Bohemian, Hungarian, Polish Thrones

Jolanta Choińska-Mika, Institute of History, University of Warsaw Tibor Neumann, Institute of History, Budapest

6 pm Reception

Day 2 - Friday, 2 December

9-10 am

Panel on public opinion research, followed by a discussion chaired by Petr Vágner, International Visegrad Fund

Do We Know Each Other? A Presentation of the Results of Public Opinion Research Carried Out in the Visegrád Group Countries

Oľga Gyárfášová, Institute for Public Affairs, Bratislava

10-10.30 am Coffee break

10.30 am-12.30 pm

Block II

Chaired by Slavomír Michálek, Institute of History, Bratislava

Lajos Kossuth: A Hungarian National Hero as Seen by Slovak Historians

Peter Macho, Institute of History, Bratislava and Zoltán Fónagy, Institute of History, Budapest

Józef Piłsudski the Maker of Interwar Poland, and Czechoslovak Diplomacy

Petr Jelínek, Research Associate of the Institute for East European History at the University of Vienna

and Jan Wiśniewski, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń

Tomáš Garrique Masaryk and the Slovak Question

Dušan Kováč, Institute of History, Bratislava and Ivan Šedivý, Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague 12.30-2 pm Lunch

2-4 pm Block III

Chaired by Jiří Kocian, Institute of Contemporary History, Prague

Edvard Beneš, Feted and Hated

Piotr Majewski, University of Warsaw and Kristina Kaiserová, Faculty of Arts, Jan Evangelista Purkyně University, Ústí nad Labem

Jozef Tiso, Patriot and Traitor

Jan Rychlík, Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague and Milan Zemko, Institute of History, Bratislava

Miklós Horthy and His System of Authoritarian Parliamentarism

Ignác Romsics, Eszterházy Károly College, Eger and Miroslav Michela, Institute of History, Bratislava

4-4.30 pm Coffee break

4.30-6.30 pm Block IV Chaired by László Szarka, Institute of History, Budapest

'A Wasted Year': Władysław Gomułka and Imre Nagy, 1956

Zoltán Ripp, Institute of Political History, Budapest and Paulina Codogni, Institute of Political Studies, Warsaw

1968: Alexander Dubček, the Story of a Slovak Reformer

Stanislav Sikora, Institute of History, Bratislava and Oldřich Tůma, Institute of Contemporary History, Prague

1989: Lech Walęsa and Václav Havel, How a Trade Union Leader and a Playwright Conquered the Communist Fortress

Paweł Ukielski, Institute of Political Studies, Warsaw and Tomáš Zahradníček, Institute of Contemporary History, Prague

Day 3 - Saturday, 3 December

9–11 am Block V Chaired by Jiří Sovadina, PANT Association

What Children are Taught in School about the History of Their Neighbours

A History of Neighbours: The International Activities of the PANT Association Petr Šimíček, PANT Association, Gymnázium Olgy Havlové, Ostrava

Us and Them in Didactic-Historical Texts
Viliam Kratochvíl, Faculty of Arts, Comenius University, Bratislava

What Can Polish Teachers and Pupils Learn about the Modern History of Their Neighbours from Materials in the Institute of National Remembrance? Monika Koszyńska, Institute of National Remembrance, Warsaw

What Hungarian Pupils Are Taught about the History of the Neighbouring Countries and Nations of Central and Eastern Europe?

Ágnes Fischer-Dárdai, Faculty of Humanities, University of Pécs - József Kaposi, Faculty of Humanities, Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Piliscsaba

11–11.30 am Coffee break

11.30 am -1 pm Roundtable discussion

The Visegrád Discourse: Open Questions

Jacques Rupnik, Centre for International Studies and Research, Paris Frank Hadler, Centre for the History and Culture of East-Central Europe, University of Leipzig Oldřich Tůma, Institute of Contemporary History, Prague László Szarka, Institute of History, Budapest Paweł Ukielski, Institute of Political Studies, Warsaw Dušan Kováč, Institute of History, Bratislava

1 pm Lunch