

Conference

Empire, Socialism and Jews V: The Postwar Years

May 23-24, 2017
VGA, Rechte Wienzeile 97, 1050 Vienna
Wien Museum, Karlsplatz 4, 1010 Vienna
IFK, Reichsratsstraße 17, 1010 Vienna

This is the concluding international conference in a series that began in 2012 as a collaboration of Duke University and several Austrian partners. The project endeavors to rewrite the Empire back into Austrian history by recalling lost Socialist imperial traditions, the Jewish love story with imperial Austria and nostalgia for multicultural Central Europe.

By linking Empire and Republic through Socialism and Jews, the project may make a long-term (*longue durée*) Austrian narrative possible and open up new avenues for rethinking Austria's contribution to pre-, anti-, and post-national Europe. Previous conferences addressed pre-WWI Austria and Interwar Austria. The present conference tracks the imperial legacy among Socialists and Catholics during the Cold War Years, highlights the discovery of the *Wiener Moderne* in the 1980s through joined American, Austrian and Central European efforts, and discusses the permutations of *Vienna 1900* in Austria over the recent decades. The conference concludes with a reconsideration of Chancellor Bruno Kreisky as the "last emperor," and with re-envisioning the Empire's place in Austrian, European and global history.

Conference Language: English and German

Web: <https://sites.duke.edu/esj5>

VGA		Tue., May 23, 2017
10.00	Welcome Michaela Maier (VGA) and Georg Spitaler (VGA)	
10.15-12.00	PANEL I: SOCIALISM, CATHOLICISM AND EMPIRE FROM INTERWAR TO POSTWAR Chair: Michaela Maier Alfred Pfoser (Vienna) Lord of the Hyenas. The Imperial Memory from Red Vienna to the Postwar Years Dieter A. Binder (Karl-Franzens-University Graz) <i>Pietas Austriaca?</i> The Imperial Legacy in Postwar Austria Comment: Martina Steer (University of Vienna)	
12.00	Light Lunch	
13.00-15.30	PANEL II: SURVIVAL ACROSS THE IRON CURTAIN? THE IMPERIAL LEGACY IN POSTWAR EASTERN EUROPE Chair: Deirdre White (Duke University) Charlotte Natmeßnig (Vienna University of Economics and Business) and Andreas Weigl (Municipal and Provincial Archives of Vienna) Broken Links? Austrian Economic Networks across the Iron Curtain Werner Michael Schwarz (Wien Museum) Galician Traces in Postwar Poland Cristina Florea (Harvard University) Empire as a Way of Life and its Aftermath in Bukovina Comment: Peter Eigner (University of Vienna)	

Wien Museum		Tue., May 23, 2017
16.30	Greeting Matti Bunzl (Wien Museum)	
16.35-18.15	PANEL III: DISCOVERING <i>FIN-DE-SIÈCLE</i> VIENNA, FORGETTING THE MONARCHY? Chair: Deborah Holmes (Paris Lodron University Salzburg) Anson Rabinbach (Princeton University) From Telegraph Avenue to the Ringstrasse: Carl Schorske's Vienna and the American Imagination Heidemarie Uhl (Austrian Academy of Sciences) <i>Traum und Wirklichkeit: The Austrian Invention of Vienna 1900</i> Comment: Sylvia Mattl-Wurm (Vienna City Library)	
18.15	Break	
18.30	KEYNOTE Malachi Hacohe n (Duke University) Empire, Socialism & Jews: Rewriting the Monarchy into Austrian History Chair: Wolfgang Maderthaner (Austrian State Archive)	
19.00-20.00	ROUNDTABLE I: EMPIRE SOCIALISM & JEWS Chair: Ingo Zechner (LBIGG) Erhard Busek (Vienna), Barbara Coudenhove-Kalergi (Vienna), Helmut Konrad (Karl-Franzens-University Graz), Doron Rabinovici (Vienna)	
IFK		Wed., May 24, 2017
10.15	Welcome Thomas Macho (IFK)	
10.30-12.00	ROUNDTABLE II: METROPOLE WIEN: THE SOCIALIST <i>FIN-DE-SIÈCLE</i> Chair: Georg Spitaler (VGA) Lisa Fischer (Vienna), Gerhard Meißl (Vienna), Roman Horak (University of Applied Arts, Vienna)	
12.00-13.00	Lunch Break	
13.00-15.00	PANEL IV: BRUNO KREISKY: <i>DER LETZTE KAISER?</i> Chair: Lisa Fischer (Vienna) Andreas Weigl (Municipal and Provincial Archives of Vienna) Kreisky's Central Europe: Foreign Policy and Austrian Imperial Management Oliver Rathkolb (University of Vienna) From Revolutionary Socialism to the Imperial Legacy: Kreisky as a Jewish Remigré Comment: Maria Mesner (Kreisky Archive)	
15.00	Coffee Break	
15.30-17.00	ROUNDTABLE III: THE IMPERIAL LEGACY AND CONTEMPORARY EUROPE Chair: Malachi Hacohe n (Duke University) Jakub Beneš (University of Oxford), Georg Spitaler (VGA), Saskia Stachowitsch (University of Vienna), Leslie Topp (Birbeck, University of London)	
17.00-17.30	Concluding Comment and Discussion	

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Proceedings of previous conferences have been coming out in

Religions http://www.mdpi.com/journal/religions/special_issues/empire_socialism_jews

They will be published at the end in an edited volume.

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