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# The Frustrated Peace? The Versailles Treaty and its Political, Social and Economic Impact on Europe

International conference  
under the auspices  
of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic  
and the President of the Czech Academy of Sciences

Held on: 26–27 September 2019

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic  
The Great Hall of the Czernin Palace  
Loretánské náměstí 5, Prague 1



# PROGRAMME

**26<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

**08:30–09:30** *Registration*

**09:30–10:00** Opening Speech: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic; the Czech Academy of Sciences; Charles University

**10:00–10:30** Keynote Speaker: CONZE, Eckart (University of Marburg, Germany): Illusions and Potentials of Peace after the First World War

**10:30–12:10** I. Section – Moderator: HLAVAČKA, Milan (The Institute of History of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic)

KRAUS, Hans-Christof (University of Passau, Germany): Vom Schutzgebiet zum Völkerbundmandat – Die deutschen Kolonien nach 1919

DEJMEK, Jindřich (The Institute of History of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic): Origins and Birth of international Mandate-system and its influence of the next development of European Colonialism: some African Examples

HIERY, Hermann J. (University of Bayreuth, Germany): Die deutschen Kolonien und der Versailler Vertrag

ILLERT, Otis (University of Cambridge, United Kingdom): Reclaiming Germany's Overseas Empire: Colonial Revisionism in the Weimar and Nazi Eras

*Discussion*

**12:10–13:10** *Lunch*

**13:00–14:50** II. Section – Moderator: HORČIČKA, Václav (Charles University, Czech Republic)

HOLEC, Roman (Comenius University, Slovakia): The Danube and Economic and Political Consequences of the Versailles Treaty

JOBST, Kerstin S. (University of Vienna, Austria): Die ersten Friedensschlüsse im Großen Krieg: Brest-Litovsk 1918

AUGUSTYNOWICZ, Christoph (University of Vienna, Austria): Jagellonisches und piastisches Konzept in Versailles

WAKOUNIG, Marija (University of Vienna, Austria): Nachteile und Chancen der Pariser Friedensschlüsse für den Adel (Ost-) Mitteleuropas

*Discussion*

**14:50–15:10** *Coffee Break*

**15:10–16:50** III. Section – Moderator: KUKLÍK, Jan (Charles University, Czech Republic)

PETRÁŠ, René (Charles University, Czech Republic): Origins of International Minority Obligations during Paris Peace Conference

HAYS, George (Anglo-American University, Czech Republic): The Birth of a Nation-State: A Discourse Analysis on the Role of American Racism in Wilson's Concept of National Self-Determination

GAUL, Jerzy (University of Warsaw, Poland): Józef Piłsudski's attitude towards the First World War Peace Talks in Paris and the Versailles Treaty

JEKABSONS, Eriks (University of Latvia, Latvia): Latvian Delegation in Paris, 1919: Hopes and Disillusion

*Discussion*

**16:50–17:10** *Coffee Break*

**17:10–18:30** IV. Section – Moderator: DEJMEK, Jindřich (The Institute of History of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic)

IVANIŠEVIĆ, Alojz (University of Vienna, Austria): Die Pariser Vorortfriedensverträge 1919/20 und das Königreich der Serben, Kroaten und Slowenen

RAHTEN, Andrej (University of Maribor, Slovenia): "Nothing but a Hope": The Slovenes between Wilsonian Idealism and Post-War Reality

PÁL, Judit (Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania): Öffentliche Verwaltung und die Integration Siebenbürgens in Rumänien nach dem Ersten Weltkrieg

ARHIRE, Sorin (University of Alba Iulia, Romania): The Electoral Law from 27 March 1926 and Its Effects on the Romanian Political Life, 1926–1937

*Discussion*

**18:30–20:00** *Glass of wine*

## 27<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**09:30–10:00** Keynote Speaker: GOLDSTEIN, Eric (Boston University, United States of America): Paris 1919 as a Catalyst for Innovation in International Relations

**10:00–11:40** V. Section – Moderator: HLAVAČKA, Milan (The Institute of History of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic)

CZECH, Susanne (University of Passau, Germany): From Frustration to Hope: Clarence Streit's Idea of Union Now

RUTTNER, Florian (The Institute of History of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic): "Carthaginian Peace" or Nationalistic Bugbear? Assessments of the Versailles Treaty in the German Speaking Exile during World War II

SLAVÍČEK, Jan (The Institute of History of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic): Political Systems of East-Central Europe after the Great War: French Model – French Instability?

LÜDTKE, Tilman (Arnold-Bergstraesser-Institut, Germany): The Versailles Treaty: Its Implications on the Middle East

*Discussion*

**11:40–12:00** *Coffee Break*

**12:00–13:40** VI. Section – Moderator: HIERY, Hermann J. (University of Bayreuth, Germany)

OKUN, Aleksandr B. (Samara University, Russian Federation): New Solutions for the Old Problems: American Experts and the Search for the New Order in the Central-Eastern Europe

ZHUKOVSKAIA, Natalia (Tambov State University, Russian Federation): "Diplomatic Sovereignty" or United Diplomatic Front of the British Empire: Finding a Balance in Relations with the Dominions at the Paris Peace Conference

POKROVSKAIA, Daria (Tambov State University, Russian Federation): Canada after Versailles: Searching for a Place in the New World Order

VALKOUN, Jaroslav (Charles University, Czech Republic): The Canadian Attitude to the Article X of the Covenant of the League of Nations

#### *Discussion*

**13:40–14:40** *Lunch*

**14:40–16:20** VII. Section – Moderator: JEKABSONS, Eriks (University of Latvia)

POLIŠENSKÁ, Milada (Anglo-American University, Czech Republic): Diplomatic Relations of Czechoslovakia after Paris Peace Conference: Twenty-Eight Countries of Three Continents and Central European Context

NĚMEČEK, Jan – KUKLÍK, Jan (The Institute of History of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic – Charles University, Czech Republic): The Right of Self-Determination and the Establishment of Czechoslovakia

KÚDELKA, Peter – ŠIMKOVIČ, Jakub (Charles University, Czech Republic – Slovak Centre of Scientific and Technical Information, Slovakia): Slovak Nationalism & Paris Peace Conference: The Aftermath

JAKUBEC, Ivan (Charles University, Czech Republic): Bedeutete der Versailler Frieden wirklich Veränderungen im Verkehrs- und Außenhandelsbereich? Die deutsch-tschechoslowakische Beziehungen in den 1920er Jahren

HORČIČKA, Václav (Charles University, Czech Republic): Die tschechoslowakische Bodenreform und der Großgrundbesitz der deutschen Reichsbürger, 1918–1938

**16:20–17:00** *Closing Discussion*

**Conference languages:** English, German

We kindly ask for registration by 18<sup>th</sup> September at [kessler@hiu.cas.cz](mailto:kessler@hiu.cas.cz)

