

## Conference: Slovakia and World War I

During the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of October 2017, the international conference "Slovakia and World War I" was held in the Slovak town of Košice as the activity within the project **NETWORKING IN PRESERVING THE FIRST WORLD WAR MULTICULTURAL HERITAGE IN THE DANUBE COUNTRIES (NETWORKLD)**.

In the premises of the State Scientific Library of Košice, on October 12, 2017, a specialized seminar "Slovakia and the First World War" took place. The aim of the seminar was to educate the general public and especially young generation, in the topic of the First World War, which also intensified the territory of the present Slovak Republic. Experts from Slovakia, Poland, Hungary, Czech Republic and Slovenia presented not only historical facts and statistics dedicated to combat activities, but presented were also many personal stories describing the effect of war on the lives of civils and long-term changes of the society and country as the whole.




12. - 13. 10. 2017  
**CONFERENCE**  
**SLOVAKIA AND**  
**WORLD**  
**WAR**  
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**Area of Slovakia and WW1**  
- fighting at the Carpathian front, civilian population and war

**Fighting Slovaks in other European countries**  
- description of front events from diaries, memories and periodical press

**WW1 monuments**  
- its reconstruction with help of young people and tourism related activities

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**Study visit to war cemeteries within East Slovakia with guided tour.**  
Transport from and back to Košice will be provided.

 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE REGISTER HERE

Conference is organized by:  
University of Prešov in Prešov (SVK)  
Club of Military History Beskydy (SVK)  
State Scientific Library Košice (SVK)



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The second day of the conference was full of stories presented in the memorial places. As first we visited small museum in Nižná Polianka dedicated to the WW1. Beside interesting historical facts we can see the very nice example of regional enthusiast who founded this memorial place with the aim to present also this way the history of the area, the very sad events during the time of WW1, which was always performed in one place, one country, but affected the lives of the whole Europe.



As the fights were situated in the Carpathian front, we visited then one war cemetery in the Slovak area and two war cemeteries in the Poland. Thanks to guided tour provided by Club of Military History Beskydy, we can get to know the history of the region, as well as current approach to the wide range of countries from which are coming here descendants of soldiers, to honor their memory.

