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International Conference

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School of Economics and Business Sarajevo,
 Trg oslobođenja – Alija Izetbegović 1, Sarajevo
 22 February 2018

Agenda

8:30 – 9:00	Registration
WELCOME /OPENING SESSION	
9:00 – 9:30	Professor Kemal Kozarić, <i>Dean of the School of Economics and Business Sarajevo</i> Mr. Abdulah Skaka, <i>Mayor of Sarajevo</i> Mr. Nermin Muzur, <i>President of Tourism Association of Sarajevo Canton</i> Professor Almir Peštek, <i>School of Economics and Business Sarajevo - Project Manager</i>
SESSION 1	THE FORGOTTEN LEGACY OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR
9:30 - 9:50	Sarajevo assassination as a mirror of the ideologized interperation of the past in the school system in Bosnia and Herzegovina (1918 - 2018) <i>Sanja Gladanac, Institute of History, University of Sarajevo</i>
9:50 – 10:10	Bosnian-Herzegovinian Infantry Regiments - elite units of the imperial-royal army in the First World War (1914 - 1918). <i>Professor Zijad Šehić, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Sarajevo</i>
10:10 – 10:25	Bosnian-Herzegovinian soldiers - prisoners in the First World War <i>Enes S. Omerović, Institute of History, University of Sarajevo</i>
10:25 – 10:45	Surviving the Great War in Bosnia and Herzegovina according to the "Voice of Freedom" <i>Seka Brkljača, Institute of History, University of Sarajevo</i>

10:45 – 11:00	COFFEE BREAK
SESSION 2	THE LIVING MEMORY OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR
11:00 – 11:20	Sarajevo assassination: the culture of memory and metamorphosis of monuments (1914 - 2014) <i>Edin Omerčić, Institute of History, University of Sarajevo</i>
11:20 - 11:40	"Lav" cemetery: from a marginalized to a revitalized place of memories of the First World War <i>Amra Čusto, Cantonal Institute for the Preservation of Cultural, Historic and Natural Heritage of Sarajevo</i>
11:40 – 12:00	Eastern Railroad – Identifying the tourist potential of the forgotten historical monument <i>Velid Jerlagić, Sarajevo Historical Archives</i>
12:00 – 12:20	Culture of memory, amnesia or negation <i>Dina Memić, Cultural heritage without Borders (CHwB)</i>
12:20 – 13:00	LUNCH
SESSION 3	PRESERVING THE HERITAGE OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR
13:00 – 13:20	And then the firing shot in Sarajevo: Bosnia and Herzegovina and the First World War <i>Elma Hašimbegović, History museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina</i>
13:20 – 13:40	Presentation of the Walk of Peace as a good example of First World War heritage protection and promotion under common brand <i>Tadej Koren, Foundation Poti Miru v Posočju, Slovenia</i>
13:40- 14:00	New tourist tour: Sarajevo and B&H in the First World War <i>Adnan Vlajčić, Insider Sarajevo</i>
14:00 – 14:15	QUESTIONS/DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS
14:15	GUIDED TOUR – SARAJEVO AND THE FIRST WORLD WAR

Speakers, topics and abstracts

Speaker

Sanja Gladanac

Institute of History
University of Sarajevo

Topic and abstract

Sarajevo assassination as a mirror of the ideologized interperation of the past in the school system in Bosnia and Herzegovina (1918 - 2018)

The presentation of the Sarajevo assassination, Young Bosnia (Mlade Bosne,) and Gavrilo Princip in the school textbooks of history was determined by the socio-political systems and the dominant ideology established in Bosnia and Herzegovina over the past hundred years. Depending on the political-ideological circumstances, the terms mentioned in the public discourse alternately gained a positive or negative meaning, becoming for some generations an act of national pride and resistance against the foreign authorities, and for others the subject of condemnation and acts of terrorism. Cyclical reinterpretations of the past were a consequence of the tendency of the ruling elites to make an appropriate picture of the events that preceded the First World War by selection and adequate interpretation of historical facts and used it to strengthen their own political positions and to fight with the enemy and for the desirable ideological upbringing of the youth. Created by the line ministry, textbooks can serve as a valid source for studying the official historical narrative of a country and educational messages that are placed through the school system.

Zijad Šehić

Faculty of Philosophy
University of Sarajevo

Bosnian-Herzegovinian Infantry Regiments - elite units of the imperial-royal army in the First World War (1914-1918)

Based on reference literature and archival material, the author considers an important period of Bosnian history, which was marginalized and marked by ideological needs in Yugoslav historiography. At the heart of the author's deliberations are war situations and their impact on political, economic, and demographic changes in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Special attention was paid to the situation in the background, the state of the army on the front as well as other elements that affected the break up of the Austro-Hungarian army. Critical evaluation of existing literature, as well as research of new archival material in order to obtain relevant documentation of various provenances, resulted in convincing conclusions based on verified facts and to eliminate historiographic stereotypes related to the problem of the role of Bosnians in the military organization of the Habsburg Monarchy during the First World War war, which were subordinated to political needs or were marginalized or overdue for the same reason.

Enes S. Omerović

Institute of History
University of Sarajevo

Bosnia and Herzegovina's soldiers: prisoners in the First World War

During the First World War, approximately 290 000 residents of Bosnia and Herzegovina were mobilized into the Austro-Hungarian army, which accounted for about 16% of the total population of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Fighting on several fronts of the Bosnian-Herzegovinian unit in the Austro-Hungarian army suffered heavy losses - about 100,000 soldiers from Bosnia and Herzegovina were killed, wounded, missing or captured. The subject of our interest is Bosnian soldiers, who during the First World War ended up in Russian or Italian prisoners. The process of their return began in 1918, and because of the suspicion that among them there were supporters and bearers of Bolshevik, revolutionary ideas, checkpoints were established, followed by a network of admissions and isolation camps that served as medical and ideological filters. Thanks to this, a great number of testimonies about the individual destinies of ordinary people and their experience of the Great War have been preserved.

Seka Brkljača

Institute of History
University of Sarajevo

Surviving the Great War in Bosnia and Herzegovina according to the “Voice of Freedom”

This view is the result of academic research of sporadic data from the Voice of Freedom, as a newsletter of a social and opponents party, not only symbolizes sharp censorship, and therefore the reality Bosnia and Herzegovina lived between 1914 and 1918, but also represents a rich source of information on the political and socio-economic life of the country as an indication of the complexity of the deep war background, the relationship to problems and ways of resolving them.

Edin Omerčić

Institute of History
University of Sarajevo

Sarajevo assassination: the culture of memory and metamorphosis of monuments (1914-2014)

Based on archival material and scientific literature, the author will present how the monumental heritage related to the place, assassins and victims of assassinations in Sarajevo have changed in the period from 1914 to 2014.

Amra Čusto

Lav cemetery: from a marginalized to a revitalized place of memories of the First World War

Cantonal Institute for the Preservation of Cultural, Historic and Natural Heritage of Sarajevo

Cemetery Lav, Sarajevo is used as a case study that questions the impact of socio-political changes on the formation, interpretation and redefinition of the memory site. As a military cemetery founded in 1916/17. together with the sculpture of the Soldier's Lion should be an important place to remember the fallen soldiers of the great world conflict. However, turbulent historical events, wars and system changes during the twentieth century prevented that. Often the transformation of the collective culture of memory in our society has also been reflected in the Cemetery Lav, which has passed the path from the marginalized to the revived memory of the First World War in the last hundred years.

Velid Jerlagić

Eastern Railroad- Identifying the tourism potential of the forgotten historical monument

Sarajevo Historical Archives

The topic of this presentation is the history of the formation of the Eastern Railroad, the historical context and the First World War, the closure of the railroad line and construction of hydro accumulations on rivers (Drina and Lim), the architectural value of the Eastern Railroad, and the assumptions for its tourism valorization.

Dina Memić

Culture of memory, amnesia or negation

Cultural heritage without Borders

Censorship and denial stronger ones over weaker ones ultimately result in the degradation and destruction of cultural heritage and culture memories. Do today's political ideologies and their elites have the right to select similar monuments, to create and conduct collective memories? If we have no interest preserve the multicultural past and common heritage, can we aspire to preserve cultural tourism?

Elma Hašimbegović

And then the firing shot in Sarajevo: Bosnia and Herzegovina and the First World War

History museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina

„And then the firing shot in Sarajevo ... ": Bosnia and Herzegovina and the First World War is the title of the exhibition of the same name, with which the Historical Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina joined the European community of museums marking the centenary of the beginning of the First World War. Documents, photographs, and objects offered B&H publicly untold stories about a period that is little known in historiography, and even less in a culture of memories. The presentation opens up the questions of using the potentials of these interesting stories in modern times.

Tadej Koren

Presentation of the Walk of Peace as a good example of First World War heritage protection and promotion under common brand

Foundation Poti Miru v
Posočju, Slovenia

Adnan Vlajčić

New tourist tour: Sarajevo and B&H in the First World War

Sarajevo Insider

Sarajevo Insider faces the necessary of continuous and comprehensive market research, and the creation of new products in order to meet the needs of tourists. New and different tourism products can contribute to the promotion of the city of Sarajevo as tourist destination with unique tourism products. One of the products offered by Sarajevo Insider relates to the valorization of monuments and stories related to Sarajevo and B&H in the First World War.

Suggested hotels

Hotel BOSNIA

<http://bosniahotels.com/>
bosniahotel@bih.net.ba

Price of accommodation for NETWORLD conference participants:

- Room for 1 person per night including breakfast: 103,00 BAM (=53 EUR)
- Room for 2 persons per night including breakfast: 146,00 BAM (=75 EUR)

Hotel ASTRA

<http://www.hotelastra.ba/>
reception@hotelastra.ba

Price of accommodation for NETWORLD conference participants:

- Room for 1 person per night including breakfast: 98,00 BAM (=50 EUR)
- Room for 2 persons per night including breakfast: 131,00 BAM (=67 EUR)

Hotel ASTRA GARNI

<http://www.astra-garni.com.ba/>
reception@hotelastragarni.ba

Price of accommodation for NETWORLD conference participants:

- Room for 1 person per night including breakfast: 98,00 BAM (=50 EUR)
- Room for 2 persons per night including breakfast: 131,00 BAM (=67 EUR)

When making hotel reservations by e-mail, please refer to the NETWORLD Conference.

In case you would like to get any kind of advice regarding accommodation or parking, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Transport to Sarajevo

By plane:

Sarajevo International Airport
<http://www.sarajevo-airport.ba/>

The Sarajevo International Airport is 15-20 minutes' drive to the city centre.

By bus

The main bus station is a few minutes by tram ride from the city centre or about 15 minutes' walk. It features a taxi stand, railway and tram station in the immediate vicinity of the station. If you are going to Baščaršija (city centre), choose tram number 1.

By car: highways are charged. Sarajevo is located in the central part of Bosnia and Herzegovina and is linked to the transversal of the two most important main routes in the region; that is, the Adriatic highway and Zagreb – Belgrade highway.

Public transport within city:

Public transport in Sarajevo is well organised. It is primarily relying on tram, trolley and bus driving around the entire city from Baščaršija (city center) to Ilidža, along the right side of the Miljacka River, and from the Austrian Square (city center) to Dobrinja along the left side of the river. Public city transport operates from early morning until midnight. Ticket prices are generally standardised and amount to about 1.80 BAM (=0,92 EUR) and can be purchased at newsstands or directly from the driver.

Tram lines

Line 1: Baščaršija (city center) – Željeznička / Bus station

Line 2: Baščaršija (city center) – Čengić vila

Line 3: Baščaršija (city center) – Ilidža

Line 4: Ilidža – Željeznička / Bus station

Line 5: Nedžarići – Baščaršija (city center)

Line 6: Ilidža – Skenderija (city center)

Line 7: Nedžarići – Skenderija (city center)

Trolleybus lines

Line 101: Otoka – Drvenija – Trg Austrije (city center)

Line 102: Otoka – Jezero

Line 103: Dobrinja – Drvenija – Trg Austrije (city center)

Line 104: Mojnilo – Drvenija – Trg Austrije (city center)

Taxi

Apart from public transport, it is also possible to use taxi services. Taxi fares start at 1.50 BAM (=0.77 EUR) and every additional kilometer is then charged 1.00 BAM (=0.51 EUR). The luggage costs 1.00 BAM per bag. All vehicles use a taximeter and can issue a receipt. Taxi fares are paid in cash only.

Visit, Discover & Enjoy Sarajevo

Plan a trip to Sarajevo with the help of the **Tourist Association od Sarajevo - Visit Sarajevo**

<http://visitsarajevo.ba/?lang=en>

Registration

Please fill in the following Google sheet for registration:

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