



**POLISH-GERMAN HISTORY**  
A New Historiographical Field and its Contribution  
to the History of Europe

**DEUTSCH-POLNISCHE GESCHICHTE**  
Ein junges Forschungsfeld und sein Beitrag  
für eine Geschichte Europas

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German-Polish history is an innovative and stimulating field in the history of Central and Eastern Europe and beyond. We propose to reflect the historiographical and memorial challenges that governed the formation of this field as well as the concepts and methods on which it has since been built. They are now the basis for the dynamics of the field, due in particular to its ability to associate different scales of analysis from the local to the global level. Special attention will be paid to the contribution of Polish-German history and other »bi-national« historiographies like Franco-German history to the project of writing European history especially when it comes to the specific approaches forged or adopted by historians in these fields (transfer, shared history, *histoire croisée*, connected history, entangled history, *Zwischenraum*).

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Wednesday, 12 February 2020  
Institut historique allemand  
8 rue du Parc-Royal, 75003 Paris

13h30 Meet and Greet

14h Director's Welcome: Thomas MAISSEN (DHIP)

Introduction: Jawad DAHEUR (CNRS), Jürgen FINGER (DHIP),  
Morgane LABBÉ (EHESS)

**14h30 Varying Scale and Scope: Regional and Local Histories**  
Moderator: Catherine GOUSSEFF (CNRS, Paris)

James BJORK (King's College London)  
Locating and Scaling Religious Histories

Béatrice VON HIRSCHHAUSEN (CNRS/Géographie-cités)  
»Geonarratives«: How to Address Space/Time Dissociation in the  
Central European Experience

Katja WEZEL (Georg-August-Universität Göttingen)  
Multiethnic Urban Spaces in the Era of Nationalism.  
The Baltic Region and the Example of Riga

Agnieszka WIERZCHOLSKA (Freie Universität Berlin)  
Polish-Jewish Relations from a Micro-Historical Perspective:  
The Tarnow Case during World War II

17h Coffee break

17h30

Round table

How a Research Field Is Institutionalized:

Memory, Politics and German-Polish Historiography

Moderator: Peter Oliver LOEW (Deutsches Polen-Institut,  
Darmstadt)

Emmanuelle HÉBERT (université catholique de Louvain)

Pavel KOLÁŘ (Universität Konstanz)

Michael MÜLLER (Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg)

Buffet dinner (for participants)



Thursday, 13 February 2020

Centre scientifique de l'Académie polonaise des Sciences

74 rue Lauriston, 75116 Paris

9h Director's Welcome: Maciej FORYCKI (PAN – Stacja Naukowa w Paryżu)

**From Memorialization to the History of Memory:  
Poland and Germany**

Moderator: Thomas SERRIER (université de Lille)

Iwona DADEJ (IH PAN, Warszawa/CBH, Berlin)

Strategien des frauenpolitischen Erinnerns – die Jahre 1928/29 und 2018 in Polen oder: Frauengeschichte als Kulturkampf in der Zweiten und Dritten Republik Polens

Kornelia KOŃCZAL (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München)

Erinnerungsgeschichte als Beziehungsgeschichte:  
ein deutsch-polnischer Sonderweg?

Małgorzata PRACZYK & Maciej MICHALSKI (Uniwersytet im. Adama Mickiewicza, Poznań)

Memory and the Question of German Cultural and Natural Heritage in the Lower Myśla (Mitzel) River Region, near Kustrin am Oder, after 1945

10h45 Coffee break

**11h15**      **From Imperial to Colonial History of Eastern Europe:  
Perspectives and Challenges**

Moderator: Jawad DAHEUR (CNRS, Paris)

Claudia KRAFT (Universität Wien)

Knowledge – Power – Relations: German-Polish History in  
(Post-)Colonial Perspective or in a Perspective of the History of  
Relations

Justyna TURKOWSKA (University of Edinburgh)

Von Akteuren, Objekten und (post-)kolonialen Vorstellungswelten:  
deutsch-polnische Verflechtungsgeschichte über  
ihre Grenzen hinaus

Martin SCHULZE WESSEL (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität  
München)

The Communists of the Weimar Republic and their East Central  
European Context

13h            Lunch buffet (for participants)

**14h30**      **Transnational History and the Circulation of  
Scientists and Experts**

Moderator: Morgane LABBÉ (EHESS, Paris)

Maciej GÓRNY (DHI Warschau/PAN)

The Language of Profession:

German and Science in East Central Europe

Martin KOHLRAUSCH (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven)

Lives and Letters: Reconstructing the Project of Modernism  
through the Correspondence of Architects. Poland and East  
Central Europe in the First Half of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century

Alexei LOKHMATOV (Universität zu Köln)

Polish Social Sciences in the European Academic Landscape:

The Public Debates on the Genealogy of Sociological Approaches  
in Post-War Poland (1945–1956)

Katrin STEFFEN (Nordost-Institut, Lüneburg)

Knowledge on the Move: How the History of Science Contributes  
to Polish-German (and Global) History

Jan SURMAN (National Research University: Higher School of  
Economics, Moscow)

Who is Afraid of Entangled German-Polish History of Scientific  
Knowledge?

16h30      Coffee break



17h

Roundtable

Narratives of Europe's Past: Experiences from  
Franco-German and German-Polish Historiography

Moderator: Jürgen FINGER (DHIP)

Hans-Jürgen BÖMELBURG (Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen)

Włodzimierz BORODZIEJ (Uniwersytet Warszawski)

Mareike KÖNIG (DHIP)

Michael WERNER (EHESS, Paris)

Cocktail

Notes

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