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Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic  
**Mr Jan Hamáček**

Minister of Defence of the Czech Republic  
**Mr Martin Stropnický**

and

Director of the Military History Institute Prague  
**Colonel Aleš Knížek**

would like to take this opportunity to invite you to a scientific conference

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**1916 – IN THE TRAP OF THE WAR,  
PEACE NOWHERE IN SIGHT**  
from the Military History Institute Prague series  
**Hobnailed Years in the Battlefields 1914–1918**

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Tuesday, **20 September** and Wednesday, **21 September 2016**  
at the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic  
room No. 205, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor,  
Sněmovní 1, Prague 1





# CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

**Tuesday, 20 September 2016**

09:00–09:55

Registration of participants

## Conference Opening Ceremony

10:00–10:15

- Address of the Director of the Military History Institute Prague, Colonel Aleš Knížek
- Address of the Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic, Mr Jan Hamáček
- Address of the Minister of Defence of the Czech Republic, Mr Martin Stropnický

## PANEL 1

10:15–11:15

Moderated by Karel Straka

- Gerhard Artl  
**Die schwere Krise des Koalitionskrieges: Verdun – Asiago – Luck**
- Günther Kronenbitter  
**Probleme der Koalitionskriegsführung der Mittelmächte 1916**
- Jan Županič  
**Austria-Hungary and the Restoration of the Kingdom of Poland**

*Coffee break*

11:15–11:30

## PANEL 2

11:30–12:45

Moderated by Ivo Pejčoch

- Jan Rychlík  
**Romania's Entry into the First World War: Causes, Circumstances, Consequences**
- Richard Stojar  
**New Peripheral Battlefield in South-Eastern Europe – Ambitions, Disillusion and Agony of a new Player**
- Hannes Leidinger  
**Schmutzige Kriege, asymmetrische Kriege, irreguläre Kriege – Österreich-Ungarn im internationalen Vergleich**

- Boris Mosković  
**Repressions, Violence, Resistance – Life in occupied Serbia in the Course of 1916**

*Lunch*

*12:45–14:00*

### **PANEL 3**

14:10–15:10

Moderated by Jaroslav Láník

- Thomas F. Schneider  
**Pacifist Camouflage: War Reports in the Berliner Tageblatt in 1916**
- Janusz Wesołowski  
**The Lublin Publishing Movement in 1916**
- Verena Moritz  
**„...die Haltlosigkeit aller in den feindlichen Staaten verbreiteten Nachrichten...” – Die Presseberichterstattung über die Kriegsgefangenen im Habsburgerreich**

*Coffee break*

*15:10–15:30*

### **PANEL 4**

15:30–16:30

Moderated by Jaroslav Láník

- Ludmila Fialová  
**Year 1916 in Demographic Statistics Data from the Czech Lands**
- Zdeněk Jindra  
**Austro-Hungarian War Economy in its Heyday, 1914–1917**
- Martin Jemelka  
**When the Shoemakers led the War for the Emperor: the ground-breaking Year 1916 in the History of Tomáš & Antonín Baťa Footwear Company in Zlín**

## **PANEL 5**

16:30–17:45

Moderated by Jiří Plachý

- Petra Svoljšak  
**Gorizia (Gorica), a City between Two Fires**
- Karel Řeháček  
**Ever-loyal Pilsen in 1916 – the Turning Point**
- Zbyněk Sturz  
**The Great War in a Small Town in 1916: Tschechisch – nicht böhmisch, Trenches in Znojmo and Don't burn the Wheatgrass!**
- Jitka Jonová  
**War-time Appointments to Archbishopal Thrones in Olomouc and Prague in 1916**

*Glass of Wine given by Colonel Aleš Knížek, Director of the Military History Institute Prague, for conference participants; connected with the ceremonial opening of two travelling exhibitions dedicated to the First World War:*

- ◆ In a Sign of the Red Cross – the Care for the Wounded and Sick Soldiers in the First World War
  - ◆ Prague Dandy in the Great War, 1915–1917  
*Army Museum in Žižkov, U Památníku 2, Prague 3*
- 19:00–21:30

## **Wednesday, 21 September 2016**

Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic  
room No. 205, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Sněmovní 1, Prague 1

Registration of participants  
08:15–09:00

## **PANEL 6**

09:00–10:45

Moderated by Tomáš Kykal

- Christian Stachelbeck  
**Taktisches Lernen im Krieg: Das Gefecht der verbundenen Waffen und die Materialschlacht im Denken der deutschen Armee 1916**
- David Adam Ligeti  
**Between Fear and Hope: the Ominous Summer of 1916 through the Eyes of Austro-Hungarian Chief of Staff Franz Conrad von Hötzendorf**

- Alexander Querengässer  
**The Baranovichi Offensive – Sideshow to Brusilov’s Attack**
- Evgenii Vladimirovich Volkov  
**Remembering the Great War: Two Views of Russian Emigrants from California**
- Radim Kapavík  
**The Capture of the Olomouc Imperial-Royal Landwehr Infantry Regiment No. 13 near Peremyl on 20 July 1916**
- Jiří Hutečka  
**The Lost Worshippers of Sex: Masculinity and Sexuality of Czech Soldiers of the Great War in the sources of personal origin**

*Coffee break*

*10:45–11:00*

### **PANEL 7**

11:00–12:15

Moderated by Tomáš Jakl

- Michael S. Neiberg  
**American Responses to the War in Europe, 1916**
- Václav Horčíčka  
**Presidential Elections in the USA in 1916 and their Impact on the Course of the First World War**
- Thomas Schmutz  
**All Quiet on the Eastern Front? War and Diplomacy in the Middle East in 1916**
- Jaroslav Bouček  
**The Arab Revolt of 1916: Asymmetric Warfare as a Way out of the Trap of the War**

*Lunch*

*12:15–13:15*

### **PANEL 8**

13:15–14:45

Moderated by Jiří Rajlich

- František Hanzlík  
**Compatriots in the USA and Their Support to the Formation of an Independent State of Czechs and Slovaks, Help to the Czechoslovak Foreign Action throughout 1916**

- Mario Giulio Salzano  
**Imprisonment of War in Italy. Fonte d'Amore Concentration Camp and the Czechoslovak Legion 1915–1919**
- Dalibor Vácha  
**Rudolf Medek's Year '16**
- Peter Chorvát  
**Milan Rastislav Štefánik's Activities in 1916**
- Jan Grisa  
**“Like Pilate in the Creed”: Josef Zamazal, the Fourth One in the Kramář Process**

### PANEL 9

14:45–15:45

Moderated by Prokop Tomek

- Dagmar Martinková  
**Václav Vondrák and the Issue of POWs**
- Piotr Szlanta  
**Experiences of Polish Soldiers of Imperial Armies of Russia, Germany and Austria-Hungary as POWs**
- Bohuslav Rejzl  
**Repatriations of War Refugees from Municipalities and Cantonment Camps in the Czech Lands in 1915–1916**

*Coffee break*

15:45–16:00

### PANEL 10

16:00–17:30

Moderated by Jindřich Marek

- Milena Lenderová  
**The Impact of Rationing and the Clothing and Footwear Shortage on the Population in the Hinterland**
- Martina Halířová  
**The Beginning of Hunger, its Impact on the Young Population and Attempts at its Resolution**
- Jaroslava Smetanová  
**Memories of the Hardships of War in the Hinterland in 1916 as seen by South-Bohemian Chroniclers**
- Václav Smrčka – Vlasta Mádlová  
**Nutritional Problems of the Austro-Hungarian Army and Civilian**

## **Population in 1916 due to Entente Blockade. Changes in Army Supply and the Emergence of Specialised Military Hospitals**

- Lenka Vandrovcová  
**“Recovery Houses” in Tábor in 1916**

### **PANEL 11**

17:30–18:45

Moderated by Jan Šach

- Tomáš Kykal  
**Register of Fallen, Deceased or Missing Soldiers in the First World War – Project Development, its Perspectives and Possibilities of Statistical Data Utilization**
- Marco Mantini  
**Austro-Hungarian Logistic Structure and Cemeteries in Upper Soča Valley**
- Tadej Koren – Petra Testen  
**The Walk of Peace from the Alps to the Adriatic – an International Historical Area**
- Kinga Alina Langowska  
**Environmental Degradation during World War I and the Attempts to Rescue the Natural Environment on the Example of Hugo Conwetza and his Action on the Eastern Front between 1915 and 1916**

### **Summary:**

18:45–18:55

Jan Županič

## **Thursday, 22 September 2016**

Special tour to Military Technical Museum in Lešany

(Lešany u Týnce nad Sázavou)

09:00–15:00

*Please confirm your attendance.*

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### **The numbers of places for the conference are limited.**

Please confirm your attendance by 16 September 2016

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Note:

- Contribution of 15 minutes
- Discussion at the end of each panel limited to 15 minutes maximum



## **LIST OF SPEAKERS (in alphabetical order):**

- Hofrat Dr. phil. Gerhard Artl (Austrian State Archives – War Archives, Vienna)
- PhDr. Jaroslav Bouček, CSc. (Administrative Archives of the Ministry of Health, Prague)
- Mgr. Peter Chorvát, Ph.D. (Institute of Military History, Bratislava)
- Doc. RNDr. Ludmila Fialová, CSc. (Faculty of Science, Charles University, Prague)
- Mgr. Jan Grisa (Faculty of Philosophy, Jan Evangelista Purkyně University in Ústí nad Labem)
- Mgr. Martina Halířová, Ph.D. (Faculty of Arts and Philosophy, University of Pardubice)
- prof. PhDr. František Hanzlík, CSc. (Faculty of Military Leadership, University of Defence, Brno)
- prof. PhDr. Václav Horčíčka, Ph.D. (Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague)
- Mgr. Jiří Hutečka, Ph.D. (Philosophical Faculty, University of Hradec Králové)
- PhDr. Martin Jemelka, Ph.D. (Masaryk Institute and Archive of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, PRI, Prague)
- prof. PhDr. Zdeněk Jindra, CSc. (emeritus professor, Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague)
- PhDr. Jitka Jonová, Th.D. (Sts Cyril and Methodius Faculty of Theology, Palacký University, Olomouc)
- Ing. Radim Kapavík (Signum Belli 1914)
- Mag. Tadej Koren (Walk of Peace Foundation in the Soča River Region, Kobarid)
- prof. Dr. Günther Kronenbitter (Faculty of Philology and History, University of Augsburg)
- Mgr. Tomáš Kykal (Military History Institute Prague)
- Kinga Alina Langowska, M.A. (LVR-Archaeological Park Xanten)
- Mag. Dr. Hannes Leidinger (Department of History, University of Vienna)
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- Mgr. Dagmar Martinková (Faculty of Education, Charles University, Prague)
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- Alexander Querengässer, M.A. (Faculty of Arts, University of Potsdam)
- Mgr. Bohuslav Rejzl (Faculty of Education, Charles University, Prague)
- prof. PhDr. Jan Rychlík, DrSc. (Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague)

- PhDr. Karel Řeháček (State Regional Archives in Pilsen; Faculty of Education, University of West Bohemia, Pilsen)
- Mario Giulio Salzano, M.A. (Faculty of Political Science, University of Teramo)
- Thomas Schmutz, MA (Center for the History of Violence, University of Newcastle, Australia)
- Dr. habil. Thomas F. Schneider (Erich Maria Remarque-Peace Center, Osnabrück University)
- Mgr. Jaroslava Smetanová, Ph.D. (Faculty of Regional Development and International Studies, Mendel University, Brno)
- doc. MUDr. Václav Smrčka, CSc. (First Faculty of Medicine, Charles University, Prague)
- Lt Col Christian Stachelbeck, Ph.D. (Bundeswehr Centre for Military History and Social Sciences, Potsdam)
- Mgr. Richard Stojar, Ph.D. (Centre for Security and Military Strategic Studies, University of Defence, Brno)
- Mgr. Zbyněk Sturz (Philosophical Faculty, University of Hradec Králové)
- Petra Svoljšak, Ph.D. (Milko Kos Historical Institute, Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Ljubljana)
- prof. Dr. hab. Piotr Szlanta (Institute of History, University of Warsaw)
- Petra Testen, Ph.D. (Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Ljubljana)
- PhDr. Dalibor Vácha, Ph.D. (Faculty of Philosophy, University of South Bohemia, České Budějovice)
- Mgr. Lenka Vandrovcová (Hussite Museum, Tábor)
- prof. Evgenii Vladimirovich Volkov, Ph.D. (Historical Faculty, South Ural State University, Chelyabinsk)
- Janusz Wesołowski, Ph.D. (Polish Army Museum, Warsaw)
- prof. PhDr. Jan Županič, Ph.D. (Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague)