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Image: A Viennese fan from Hieronymus Löschenkohl's factory depicts a Moroccan triptych: a Habsburg envoy at the Moroccan court, the pasha of Tangiers as ambassador before Joseph II in 1783, and the ambassador's return to the seraglio. Wien Museum



SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

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23 – 25 OCTOBER 2025
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PROGRAM

THURSDAY, 23 OCTOBER

- 13:00 **Welcome**
- 13:30–15:00 **Seminar with Markéta Křížová (Prague)**
- 15:30–17:30 **Animas iuvare et delectare: Jesuit Worldmaking and Central European Consumer Culture in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries** (3x40 minutes, including Q&A)
- Ildikó Hajdu** | Eötvös Loránd University Budapest
The Jesuit Global Mission in the Poetic and Rhetorical Education of the Schools of the Austrian Jesuit Province in the 17th Century
- Dmitry Zharov** | Central European University Vienna/Budapest
Central European Jesuits as Global Educators, 1551–1670
- Leonhard Engelmaier** | European University Institute, Florence
What about Conflicts in the Making and Circulation of Knowledge? Explorations in the Integration of Tobacco in 17th-Century Central European Agriculture

FRIDAY, 24 OCTOBER

- 09:00–10:30 **Seminar with Ulrich Schmid (St. Gallen)**
- 10:30–11:00 **BREAK**
- 11:00–12:20 **Nineteenth-Century Frameworks of Habsburg Internationalism: Reassessing Central European Natural Law and Naval Power** (2x40 minutes, including Q&A)
- Maksim Demin** | University of Bochum
Civil Rights Translated? Habsburg Legal Philosophy and Its Interpretation by Peter Lodij in Alexander I's Russia
- Stephanie Truskowski** | University of Notre Dame, South Bend
"A Perfect Internationalism [for] the Commerce, Navigation, and Industry of Austria": The Imperial Navy and the Austrian Lloyds as International Intermediaries in the Nineteenth-Century Circum-Mediterranean
- 12:20–14:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

14:30–16:00 Seminar with Jonathan Singerton (Amsterdam)

16:00–16:30 BREAK

16:30–18:30 **From Plzeň to the Foothills of the Citlaltépetl: Informal Empire between Bohemia and Mexico** (3x40 minutes, including Q&A)

Andreas M. Schurr | European University Institute, Florence
An Austrian “Colony for Free”: Overseas Ambitions, Scientific Exploration and the “Habsburg Scramble for Mexico”, 1864–1867

Lukas Dovern | University of Kiel
Patriotism, Global Trade, and the Making of Austria-Hungary’s Largest Arms Manufacturer: The Škoda Works in Pilsen/Plzeň, 1899–1914

Kajetan Stobiecki | Herder-Institut, Marburg
Plzeň’s Global Enterprises and their Role in Urban National Segmentation

SATURDAY, 25 OCTOBER

09:00–11:00 **Unfabling the East? Habsburg Encounters with East Asia in the 19th and Early 20th Centuries** (3x40 minutes, including Q&A)

Matúš Mura | Comenius University Bratislava
Habsburg Travelers Encountering Japanese Merchants: Image and Representation

Chung Hin Mak | Free University of Berlin
The Austro-Hungarian East Asian Expedition (1868–1871)

Mátyás Gergely Tóth | Independent Scholar, Budapest
Breaking Cyclical Narratives: A New Approach to the History of Austro-Hungarian-Japanese Relations (1868–1913)

11:00–11:30 BREAK

11:30–12:40 **Of World Fairs and Crumbling Empires** (2x40 minutes, including Q&A)

Freda Fiala | University of Arts Linz
Entangled Worlds and the Logistics of Chinese Display in the 1873 Wiener Weltausstellung

Elene Nabakhteveli | Ilia State University, Tiflis
Post-Imperial Knowledge in Motion: Scientific Displacement after the Collapse of the Habsburg and Soviet Empires

12:45 **Farewell to the participants of the Summer School**

Faculty:

Johannes Feichtinger (Institute of Culture Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna) | Franz L. Fillafer (Institute of Culture Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna) | Steffen Höhne (University of Music, Weimar and University of Jena – Johann Gottfried Herder Research Council (HFR) | Markéta Křížová (Centre for Ibero-American Studies, Charles-University, Prague) | Johannes Mattes (Institute of Culture Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna) | Ulrich Schmid (Department of East European Studies, University of St. Gallen) | Jonathan Singerton (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam) | Jan Surman (Masaryk Institute and Archives, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague) | Michael Wögerbauer (Institute of Czech Literature, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague)

Invited Discussants:

Sandra Klos, Institute of Culture Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences | Maximilian Georg, Institute of Culture Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences

PHD-Candidates, PostDocs:

Leonhard Engelmaier (European University Institute, Florence) | Maksim Demin (University of Bochum) | Lukas Dovern (University of Kiel) | Freda Fiala (University of Arts Linz) | Ildikó Hajdu (Eötvös Loránd University Budapest) | Chung Hin Mak (Free University of Berlin) | Matúš Mura (Comenius University Bratislava) | Elene Nabakhteveli (Ilia State University, Tiflis) | Andreas M. Schurr (European University Institute, Florence) | Kajetan Stobiecki (Herder-Institut, Marburg) | Mátyás Gergely Tóth (Independent Scholar, Budapest) | Stephanie Truskowski (University of Notre Dame, South Bend) | Dmitry Zharov (Central European University Vienna/Budapest)

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