
The Institute of History of Czech Academy of Sciences
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invite You to the International conference

FROM ONE CRISIS TO ANOTHER: Czechoslovakia and Europe 1918-1922

Date of conference:

Thursday-Friday 24-25th September 2020

Venue:

Národní archiv (National Archives), Archivní 2257/4, 149 00 Praha 4, Lecture Hall

Connection:

bus stop Chodovec, bus lines 115, 125, 136 and 213

Conference languages:

Czech, Slovak, English, Russian, German (without translation)

Call for papers:

World War I and the problems it caused, such as suffering of masses of population and growing chaos in food supplies, deepened the existing social inequity and triggered the waves of protest, which continued even after the Great War was over, four monarchies collapsed and a fair number of new states arose. These events were followed by other armed conflicts as well as numerous crises within nations (hunger riots and industrial strikes) both in Czechoslovakia and in the neighbouring countries (e.g. uprisings in Germany or the twists and turns in the development of Hungary), all that occurring against the background of the Russian Bolshevik revolution and subsequent civil war in the territory of the former Tsar empire between 1917 and 1922.

The aim of the conference is the analysis of the critical period of the first years of the Czechoslovak state, comparison of developments of social tension, its reflection in home politics, attempts of national political elites to stabilize the economics compared to the development in the neighbouring countries.

Considering the vast extent of the subject matter, we propose the following particular **topics**:

- **Social tension and forms of its expression** (strikes, demonstration, hunger marches);
- **Search for solutions** (solutions to the supply crisis, political and administrative reforms);
- **Security situation** (security forces; their ethnic, political and organizational bias; legal limits);
- **Ethnic issues** (in social, political and administrative sphere);
- **Over-the-border passage** (migration of population from wars after 1918; issue of prisoners and their repatriation; political exile, particularly from the territory of the former Russian empire);
- **Cultural reflection** of post-war crises in fine arts, literature and films.

If interested, you can register till 1st August 2020.

In your application, please, give the full title of your presentation and the abstract (not more than 500 characters), and also the institution of your activity and your degrees in full.

Please send your applications to the e-mail address: david.hubeny@nacr.cz

Organizers of the conference reserve the right of choice of presentations for the programme of the conference.

The papers presented that pass the reviewing procedure will be published in the reviewed journal *Paginae historiae*.

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