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**On the Move and on the
Spot. Tracing Circulations
and Adaptions of Know-
ledge from and to Eastern
Europe**

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The history of knowledge has been on the rise for some time – expert and academic, applicable, and applied bodies of knowledge are being studied. Inspiration from transnational and global history has led to a multitude of inquiries ranging from border-crossing circulations to the study of global knowledge orders. Processes of appropriation and adaptions to specific contexts, whether local, national, or imperial moved to the fore. In parallel the study of Eastern Europe has been widened from a focus on intra-regional connectedness to region-transcending connectivity. At the crossroads of these two research lines – the transnational and global history of knowledge and the entangled histories of Eastern Europe – this workshop explores circulations and adaptations of a wide range of knowledge from Eastern Europe. The focus is on the period between the 1920s and the 1970s to better understand continuities and discontinuities across the caesura of World War II and the establishment of communist rule and a socialist social order. How were expert networks and their knowledge production persisted or changed by the war and the system transformation? How were knowledge-related agendas and connected practices being revised and turned anew in the context of the rupture of the 1940s. We investigate these questions with scholars from different academic contexts in East and Central Europe.

Polservice's (Miastoprojekt Kraków) master plan of Baghdad in 1967. Source: Alobaydi DM. A Study of the Urban Morphological Process of Baghdad, University of Kansas; 2017



Thursday, June 1, 2023

14.00–14.15

Welcome and Introduction

Katja Castryck-Naumann (GWZO Leipzig)

14.15–16.15

Transnational Environmental Problems and Policies

Chair: Béla Tomka (HistGlob, University of Szeged)

Márton Simonkay (HistGlob/ELTE Budapest):
Environmental Movements Linked Across the Iron
Curtain in the 1980s

Timm Schönfelder (GWZO Leipzig):
Circulated Pedological Knowledge and Soviet Hydro-
technical Hubris in a High-Modernist World

Jíra Janáč (Charles-University Prague):
Technocratic Environmentalism during the Cold War:
Czechoslovak Experts in the EEC UN (1950s–1980s)

Comment: Uwe Müller (GWZO Leipzig)

16.15–16.45 Coffee break

16.45–18.45

Academic Knowledge Production

Chair: Zsombor Bódy (HistGlob/ELTE Budapest)

Melinda Kalmár (HistGlob/University of Szeged):
Alternative Trails of the Global Path in Education and
Science. Adaptation Constraints and Strategies in
Cold War East-Central Europe

Katja Castryck-Naumann (GWZO Leipzig):
Roots and Ends of Circulations: Polish Economics in
UNESCO's Survey of the Social Sciences (1963–1970/2)

Beata Hock (GWZO Leipzig):
Eastern-europeanizing the Bauhaus

Comment: Jakub Mazanec (Charles-University Prague)

19.00–20.30

Discussion over dinner

Friday, June 2, 2023

9.00–11.00

Applied Science

Chair: Peter Bencsik (HistGlob, University of Szeged)

Gábor Koloh (HistGlob/ELTE Budapest):
The Contribution of Central European Specialists to
the Development of International Population Research
Networks in the 19th-20th centuries

Lucie Duškova (GWZO Leipzig):
The Scientific-technological Revolution and its Impact
on the Workplace

Markus Keller (HistGlob, ELTE Budapest):
Housing for the Elderly. Knowledge Transfer and
Implementation – the Hungarian Example

Comment: Maren Röger (GWZO Leipzig)

11.00–11.30 Coffee break

11.30-13.30

Media, Sports, and Citizen Science

Chair: Uwe Müller (GWZO Leipzig)

Róbert Takács (Institute of Political History Foundation Budapest): Hungarian Journalists in the International Entanglements. Cooperation and Contestation during the Cold War

Katalin Baráth (HistGlob, University of Szeged): International Goals. Managing Football Tours

Frank Hadler (GWZO Leipzig):
Bird Watchers United: Participation in the Making of the European Breeding Bird Atlases (EBBA I and II)

Comment: Antje Dietze (Leipzig University)

13.30-14.30 Lunch Break

14.30-15.30

Conclusions

Katja Castryck-Naumann, Uwe Müller (GWZO Leipzig)



The Leibniz Institute for the History and Culture of Eastern Europe (GWZO) carries out comparative historical and cultural research on the region bordering the Baltic, the Black, and the Adriatic Seas from the Early Middle Ages to the present. There are currently around 50 research scholars associated with the Institute conducting work both in Germany and abroad from across the range of humanities disciplines. In its activities, the Institute relies on a dense network of cooperative partnerships with Eastern and Central European as well as international research organizations.

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