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‘1938’ and the Politics of Homogenization
Protecting the Nation in Europe on the Eve of World War II

10–12 October 2018
**Wednesday**
Vlastenecký sál, Charles University, Ovocný trh 5, Prague 1

**17.00 Keynote Lecture**
Martin Conway (Oxford) *1938: The Great Reordering*

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**Thursday**
Villa Lanna, V Sadech 1, Prague 6

9.00 – 9.30 Welcome and Introduction

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**I. Question of Homogenization and the Ethnic ‘Other’**

Gábor Egry (Budapest) *Reunited – Nevermore? National Harmony and Unity, Social Reform and Exclusion in Pre- and Post-1938 Hungary*

Pavel Baloun (Prague) *Getting Rid of the “Gypsy Scourge”: A Shift Towards the Repressive Assimilation of the “Gypsies” in the Czech Lands, 1938–1942*

Berk Emek (Istanbul) *Nationalization and Homogenization Politics in Interwar Turkey and Romania: The Ethnicity Question in the Administration*

Discussant: Jakub Rákosník (Prague)

11.00 – 11.15 Coffee Break

**11.15 – 12.45**

**II. Nation-state, Citizenship and Ethnic Homogenization**

Michal Frankl (Prague/Vienna) *Refugees and the Loss of Citizenship: The Czechoslovak Revision of Citizenship of 1939*

Paulina Szeląg (Przemysł) *The Citizenship and Politics of Homogenization: A Case of the Republic of Poland*

Olena Humeniuk (Kyiv) *Status of Ukrainian Emigrants as the Example of State Policy Protecting the Nation in the Countries of Interwar Europe*

Discussant: Milan Hauner (Wisconsin-Madison)

12.45 – 14.00 Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.15

**III. International Politics and Minority Question in Times of National Homogenization**

Philipp Müller (Göttingen) *Politics of Aid, Media and Foreign Affairs: Humanitarian Aid as Last Resort of British Appeasement Politics in Times of Homogenization Politics*

Victoria Vasilenko (Belgorod) *The Homogenization and Foreign Policy Nexus in the Soviet Union in the Late 1930s*

Discussant: Vit Smetana (Prague)

15.15 – 15.30 Coffee Break

**15.30 – 17.00**

**IV. Czechoslovakia's Dilemmas: Nations, Minorities and Borders**


Lubomír Nenička (Opava) *Regional Specifics of the Czech Nationalism in the Post-Munich Era (Case of Ostrava Region)*

Viktoria Serhiienko (Kyiv) *The Ruthenians/Ukrainians in the Context of Czechoslovak Policy of Ethnic Homogenization of the 1930s*

Discussant: Gábor Egry (Budapest)

17.00 – 18.15

**V. Politics, Expertize, Propaganda**

Jiří Němec (Brno) *Nazi Politics of Ethnocide. The Concept of “Umvolkung”*

Olga Linkiewicz (Warsaw) *Social Sciences and National Mobilization in Interwar Poland: The Case of the Levi’s Institute for the South-Eastern Lands (1938–1939)*

Discussant: Jaromír Mrňka (Prague)

18.30 Conference Dinner

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**Friday**
Villa Lanna, V Sadech 1, Prague 6

**9.00 – 10.15**

**VI. Space, Sound and Nation-Making**

Courtney E. Cole (Weston) *Materiality, Discourse, and Ideology: The Nazi Party Rally Grounds and the Building of National Unity in Pre-World War II Germany and Beyond*

Markus Helmut Lenzhart (Graz) *The Republic of Austria in the Interwar Years: Using Music for Defining a National Identity*

Discussant: Tomáš W. Pavlíček (Prague)

10.15 – 10.30 Coffee Break

**10.30 – 12.00**

**VII. Conservative Right Towards Unitary Nation-State**

Dirk Schuster (Potsdam) *1938 as a Starting Point for the “De-Judaization”. The Plan for a National, “Aryan” Christianity in Germany*

Róbert Arpáš (Bratislava/Nitra) *From Autonomism to “National Unity”. The HSLS’s Way to Capture Slovakia*

Grzegorz Krzywiec (Warsaw) *The Right-Wing Subculture and the Transformations of Polish Politics of the Late 1930s. The Case Study of Fascist Regime from Above Towards an International Crisis*

Discussant: Martin Conway (Oxford)

12.00 – 12.15 Coffee Break

**12.15 – 13.15 Concluding Remarks and Final Discussion**

Pavel Seifter (London/Prague)