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Building a Nazi Racial Community in the South-East: Mobility and Transnational Transfers between Nazi Germany and the South-Eastern European ‘Volksdeutsche’

Cluj-Napoca, July 7-9, 2022

Thursday (July 7, 2022)

Venue: King Ferdinand I Aula, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeș-Bolyai University, Napoca street 11

9.00-9.30 Registration

09.30-09.50 Conference Welcome and Announcements (Professor Ioan Bolovan, Professor Ovidiu Ghitta, Dr. Enikő Dáczy)

09.50-10.00 Coffee Break

10.00-12.00 Panel 1: Building the *Volksgemeinschaft*: From Theoretical Approaches to National Case Studies

Chair: Virgiliu Țărău (Cluj-Napoca)

Constantin Iordachi (Vienna): *Studying Fascism from a Transnational Perspective: Methods and Case Studies*

Rachel O’Sullivan (München): *Creating the “Volksgemeinschaft” in Annexed Poland: Nazi Germany’s Resettlement and Assimilation Policies through a Colonial Lens*

Winson Chu (Milwaukee/Wisconsin): *Deconstructing “Volksgemeinschaft”: Regionalism and the German Minorities in Interwar Poland*





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12.00-13.30 Lunch Break (“Le Petit Paris” restaurant: Eroilor street, 27)

13.30-15.30 Panel 2: Mechanisms of Radicalization of the *Volksdeutsche*: Inner and Outside Factors

Chair: Enikő Dác (München)

Michal Schvarc (Bratislava): *Billige und zuverlässige Arbeitskräfte? Anwerbung und Einsatz der Deutschen aus der Slowakei im „Dritten Reich“*

Beáta Márkus (Pécs): *Ungarndeutsche in der Waffen-SS. Freiwillige Meldung als Folge der Kontakte zum „Dritten Reich“*

Ottmar Trașcă (Cluj-Napoca): *Unternehmen „Regulus”. Die Zusammenarbeit deutscher Geheimdienste mit der Deutschen Volksgruppe aus Rumänien und der Eisernen Garde zur Errichtung eines deutschfreundlichen Widerstandsnetzes in Rumänien (September 1944-Mai 1945)*

Norbert Spannenberger (Leipzig): *Ideologische Radikalisierung wegen Expansion? Der Volksbund der Deutschen in Ungarn 1940-44*

15.30-16.00 Coffee Break

16.00-17.45 Panel 3: Cultural Transfers and Entangled Far Right Ideologies

Chair: Ingrid Schiel (Gundelsheim/N.)

Claudia Spiridon-Șerbu (Brașov): *Eigen- und Fremdbilder in der Lyrik des “Klingsor”*

Enikő Dác (München): *Karl Kurt Klein und Heinrich Zillich als Gestalter des literarischen Transfers zwischen dem Dritten Reich und Rumänien*

Timo Hagen (Bonn): *Gab es eine nationalsozialistische Architektur in Siebenbürgen – und wenn ja, wie viele?*

17.45-19.00 Panel 4: Youth, Mobility and Transnational Networks (I)

Chair: Ottmar Trașcă (Cluj-Napoca)





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Zsolt Vitári (Pécs): *Jugendmobilisierung bei den Ungarndeutschen nach reichsdeutschem Muster?*

Ingrid Schiel (Gundelsheim/N.): *Mobilität von Jugendlichen im Rahmen der Volksgemeinschaft der Deutschen in Rumänien*

19.00 Dinner (“Petit Paris” restaurant: Eroilor street, 27)

Friday (July 8, 2022)

Venue: King Ferdinand I Aula, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeș-Bolyai University, Napoca street 11

9.30-11.15 Panel 4: Youth, Mobility and Transnational Networks (II)

Chair: Beáta Márkus (Pécs)

Pauli Aro (Florence): *For the Suffering Children of Vienna. Vienna’s Banat Swabian Community Between German Solidarities*

Irina Nastasă-Matei (Bucharest): *German-Romanian Student Networks and the Transnational Far Right during 1933-1944*

Adrian Defta (Cluj-Napoca): *Youth Organisations of the German Ethnic Group in Romania*

11.15-11.30 Coffee Break

11.30-13.15 Panel 5: Press and Nazi Propaganda in South-Eastern Europe (I)

Chair: Philippe Henri Blasen (Iași)

Filip Krčmar (Zrenjanin): *“Volk und Arbeit”:* *Case Study of a Nazi Magazine in the Interwar Yugoslavia*





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Mihai Panu (Timișoara): *Organizational Infrastructure of Nazi Ideology in Banat: The Case of Youth Movements*

Corneliu Pintilescu (Cluj-Napoca): *Historical Myths and Nazi Propaganda in the German Language Press in Romania (1940-1944)*

13.15-15.00 Lunch Break (“Petit Paris” restaurant: Eroilor street, 27)

15.00-16.15 Panel 5: Press and Nazi Propaganda in South-Eastern Europe (II)

Chair: Iuliana Cindrea-Nagy (Cluj-Napoca)

Daniela Popescu (Cluj-Napoca): *Romanian Perspectives on the Propaganda of the German Ethnic Group*

Manuela Marin (Cluj-Napoca): *“Two Souls in One Chest”: The Creation of the German Ethnic Group as Reflected in the Romanian Press. The Case Study: “Universul”*

16.15-16.45 Coffee Break

16.45-18.00 Panel 6: Antisemitism and the Radicalization of the German Minorities in South-Eastern Europe

Chair: Winson Chu (Milwaukee/Wisconsin)

Mariana Hausleitner (Berlin): *Verbreitung des Antisemitismus bei den Deutschen in der Bukowina und Bessarabien 1933-1939*

Philippe Henri Blasen (Iași): *Antisemitism in the Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession: The Question of the Baptism of the Jews (1940-1944)*

18.00-18.45 Book Launch: Ulrich A. Wien and Dirk Schuster (eds.), *Sitzungsprotokolle des Landeskonsistoriums der Evangelischen Kirche A. B. in Rumänien 1919-1944*, 4 volumes (Sibiu/Hermannstadt 2020-2021).

18.45 Dinner (“Petit Paris” restaurant: Eroilor street, 27)





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Saturday (July 9)

Venue: King Ferdinand I Aula, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeș-Bolyai University, Napoca street 11

9.30–10.45 Church and National Socialism in Romania

Chair: Rudolf Poledna (Cluj-Napoca)

Ulrich A. Wien (Landau): *Infiltration and Dissolution of Church Youth Work in the Evang. Landeskirche (1933-1942)*

Hannelore Baier (Sibiu): *Die Instrumentalisierung der NS-Sympathien von Bischof Friedrich Müller durch die Securitate, um ihn von der Leitung der Evangelischen Kirche A.B. zu entfernen*

10.45-11.15 Coffee Break

11.15-13.00 Uses and Misuses of the Files: The Nazi Past in the Secret Police Archives of the Eastern Bloc

Chair: Remus Gabriel Anghel (Cluj-Napoca)

Virgiliu Țărău (Cluj-Napoca): *Turning Old Files into New Ones: How the Securitate Seized and Instrumentalized the Former Archives of the German Ethnic Group in Romania*

Stefan Lehr (Oldenburg): *Die Instrumentalisierung der NS-Vergangenheit von Funktionären der Sudetendeutschen Landsmannschaft und des Witiko-Bundes durch die sozialistische Tschechoslowakei*

William Totok (Berlin): *Nachrichtendienstliche Überwachung und Unterwanderung der Rumäniendeutschen durch die Securitate*

13.00-14.30 Lunch Break (“Petit Paris” restaurant: Eroilor street, 27)

14.30-16.00 Guided tour of the old town in Cluj

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16.00-18.00 Roundtable with UBB student volunteers. Presenting and discussing the results of the research project: “Building a Nazi Racial Community in the South-East: A Transnational Perspective on the German Ethnic Group in Romania”: Petru-Adrian Sabău, Remus Sabadâș, Deian-Nicolae Mărișescu, Vlad-Horațiu Miclăuș, Paula-Loredana Corpodean, Andreea Sabina Cojocar, Andreea Radu, Georgiana-Andreea Pop.

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