Seventh Workshop of the German-Ukrainian Historical Commission for Emerging Scholars

The End of Wars. Ukraine in Historical and International Contexts

Chernivtsi, September 25th-26th, 2025

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Workshop Programme

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Arrival

September 25th

10.00–10.30 Opening by Gelinada Grinchenko (Munich/Dnipro), Guido Hausmann (Regensburg), Ihor Shchupak (Dnipro) and Olexander Lysenko (Kyiw)

10.30–12.30 Session 1: Representation of Ukraine in biographies

Anna Chyrva: Father Mykhailo Zubrytsky - researcher of Ukrainian social life: personality, undertakings, influence

Kacper Radny: Contested Steppe: Józef Brandt, Cossacks, and the Visual Politics of Ukraine in Nineteenth-Century Europe

Discussant Guido Hausmann (Regensburg)

12.30-14.00 Lunch

14.00–16.00 Session 2: Dealing with the Past and Reclaiming the Future: Peace, Memory, and Identity in Wartime Ukraine

Dr. Cornelia Baciu: Normative Agency Creation in International Accountability Practices Following Russia's Invasion of Ukraine

Koen Bruning (Leipzig/Cottbus): Ukraine's language policy regarding the Romanian minority in Ukraine

Discussant Ihor Shchupak (Dnipro)

16.00-16.30	Coffee-break				
16.30-18.30	Oksana Dovhopolova. Keynote lecture and discussion: "The Work of Memory as Part of Transitional Justice: The Case of Ukraine"				
September 26 th					
09.00-10.30	Guido Hausmann. Keynote lecture and discussion "Strategies of Political Communication at Brest-Litovsk 1918"				
10.30-11.00	Coffee-break				
11.00-13.30	Session 3: After the War: Prisoners, Nation-Building, and Postwar Transformations				
	Alexandra Pulvermacher: The Fate of Soviet Prisoners of War in Ukraine after WWII				
	Milana Sribniak: Repatriation of Ukrainian Prisoners of War from Germany and Austria in 1918-1920				
	Manuel Lautenbacher: Nationalisation and transformation in Greater Romania				
	Discussants Olexander Lysenko (Kyiw) and Gelinada Grinchenko (Munich/Dnipro)				
13.30-15.00	Lunch				
15.00-16.00	Closing discussion				

About the Workshop

After more than three years of Russia's war against Ukraine, the demand of a ceasefire and a peace agreement between Ukraine and Russia began to dominate the international public debate. Ukraine has repeatedly expressed its readiness for a peace treaty, which takes its territorial integrity, sovereignty and security interests into account. However, sudden shifts in international politics, in particular in the US, have seemed to ignore these interests and therefore the prospects of a just peace. New political alliances have also begun to threaten the possibilities for an enduring peace for Ukraine.

Our workshop will explore the historical and contemporary dynamics of ending wars, focusing particularly on the Ukrainian experience while offering broader comparative insights. Lectures, seminars and discussions will encourage critical reflection on ceasefires, peace agreements, their implementation, and remembrance.

Organisers

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Workshop venue

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