WORKSHOP

In the past two decades historians have paid increased attention to endowments, foundations and donations as social and religious phenomena. By acting as patrons of art, culture and education but also by promoting social welfare and healthcare, benefactors conceive their beneficiary actions as charitable work. Moreover, endowments were traditionally embedded in a religious context and could be connected to religious intentions such as the benefactor's remembrance and the commemoration of his deceased soul.

We regard endowments as indicators of central importance for the construction and representation of the benefactor's identity and as a pivotal strategy of economic and social integration in the host environment used by members of diaspora communities.

The central goal of the workshop is to foster an understanding of European endowment history, which is open to intercultural and transnational perspectives, while contributing to the regional, social, economic and migration history of Vienna from the 18th to the 20th century.

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IMPERIAL SUBJECTS AND SOCIAL COMMITMENT: AN ENDOWMENT HISTORY FROM 1750 TO 1918

Workshop: 16–18 November 2016
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WEDNESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2016

18:00 Welcome

Dean of the Faculty of Historical and Cultural Studies Head of the Department of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies

18:30

KEYNOTE LECTURE

Wie Neues in die Welt kommt. Zu Aufkommen und Verbreitung des Stiftungswesens in universalgeschichtlicher Perspektive (in German) Michael Borgolte (Berlin)

19:45 Reception

THURSDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2016

9:15-9:30

Bringing the threads together: micro-histories and comparative history Maria A. Stassinopoulou (Vienna)

9:30-11:00

PRACTICES AND NARRATIONS OF ENDOWMENTS IN THE EARLY MODERN PERIOD

Chair: Lioba Theis

Ottoman Endowments in the Mirror of Local Chronicles (17th-18th Century)

Markus Koller (Bochum)

Foundations for the Viennese Civic Hospital and their Impact in the Early Modern Period Sarah Pichlkastner (Vienna)

11:30-13:30

ADMINISTRATIVE LAWS AND SEMANTICS OF CONFESSION AND CHARITY

Chair: Andreas E. Müller

Founding Monasteries in Ottoman Greece:

An Analysis of Post-Byzantine Monastic Charters (Ktetorika Typika)

Zachary Chitwood (Berlin)

The Semantics of Charity: The Habsburg Empire before 1800

Tomáš Malý (Brno)

Acatholic Foundations: The Emergence of Charitable Endowments in the Greek and Protestant Communities of Vienna (18th Century)

Stefano Saracino (Vienna)

15:30-17:30

AUSTRIAN ENDOWMENTS-OTTOMAN WAOFS

Chair: Anna Ransmayr

Imperial Waqfs within the Welfare System of the Ottoman Empire

Kayhan Orbay (Ankara)

Austrian Law on Endowments between 1750 and 1918

Gabriele Schneider (Vienna)

Rum millet vs Heirs: Conflicts and Compromises on the Endowments' Management of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in the Late Ottoman Empire

Dimitris Stamatopoulos (Thessaloniki)

FRIDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 2016

9:30-11:00

AFTER THE MIGRATION: THE ECONOMICS OF PHILANTHROPY

Chair: Claudia Römer

The Scope of Philanthropic Activity by the "Greeks" of Hungary (18th-19th Century). An Initial Critical Presentation and Assessment of the Phenomenon

Ikaros Mantouvalos (Alexandroupolis)

Financial Management of Donations, Foundations and Endowments in the Greek Communities of Vienna (1850-1918)

Nathalie Soursos (Vienna)

11:30-13:00 Round Table

PERSPECTIVES FOR AN ENDOWMENT HISTORY - ROUND TABLE

Michael Borgolte Peter Eigner Claudia Römer Maria A. Stassinopoulou

LOCATION:

Lecture hall, Department of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies Postgasse 7-9/1/3rd floor, 1010 Vienna