

15:15 – 16:45 – **PANEL 5 - VIEWS FROM BEYOND**

Aksan, Virginia - "Mapping the 'Geography of Chaos' on the Danube"

Koller, Markus – “Ottoman Europe - the transformation of historiography as reflected in this concept”

Osterkamp, Jana – “Austria as a gentle civiliser of nations? Vienna elites seeing the Ottoman Empire and Bosnia”

Respondent - Strohmayer, Arno

18:00 - 18:30 – **Pre-Dinner Concert**

1088 Budapest, Ötpacsirta u. 4.

“Dare to Discover Music: Ottoman-inspired music & Zoltán Székely (1903-2001): Music by Mozart, Beethoven, Székely, and Bartók”

With Éva Szalai, piano; Eszter Karasszon, cello;  
and Guillaume Tardif, violin

19:00 – **Dinner**

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**WEDNESDAY, 13 MAY 2026**

10:00 – 11:00 – **Wirth Alumni Network Keynote Lecture**

Szabo, Franz AJ - “From Hereditary Enemy to Ally: Habsburg Perspectives on the Ottoman Empire, 1526-1918”

11:00 – 11:30 – **Coffee Break**

11:30 – 12:30 – **Hayde!**

Concluding reflections by Aimee Genell, Emily Greble, Gábor Kármán, and Will Smiley

**Take-away lunch**

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**MONDAY, 11 MAY 2026**

9:45 - **Registration**

10:00 – 10:30 – **Welcomes and Introductions**

10:30 – 12:00 **PANEL 1 - COSTS OF WAR**

Kármán, Gábor – “Voting on the Ottoman Yoke: Deliberations at the 1685 Transylvanian Diet”

Smiley, Will - "The Children of Sistova: A Microhistory of Islamic and International Law, 1791-1793"

Abplanalp, Sophia - "The Second Lives of Ottoman Booty in Aristocratic Collections of the Habsburg Empire (1683-1800)"

Respondent: Karl, Barbara

12:30 -14:00 – **Lunch**

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14:15 – 15:45 **PANEL 2 – DIPLOMACY**

Grygorieva, Tetyana - "Cossack Residents in Istanbul in the 1670s: Navigating the Linguistic and Political Obstacles of Representation"

Yılmaz, Yasir – "The Habsburg Diplo-Wissen Regime: Habsburg Knowledge Production on the Ottoman Empire in the Early Modern Period"

Genell, Aimee - “The Capitulations and Minority Rights at the Congress of Berlin (1878)”

Respondent: Becker, Peter

15:45 – 16:00 - **Coffee Break**

16:00 - **Keynote Lecture**

Ágoston, Gábor J - “Ottomans, Habsburgs, and the Shaping of Central Europe”

17:00 - 17:30 – **Dessert Reception - on site**

**TUESDAY, 12 MAY 2026**

9:30 – 11:00 **PANEL 3 - LIVING BETWEEN EMPIRES**

Greble, Emily – “Archival Silences and Afterlives: Writing Slavery in the post-Ottoman Balkans”

Olin, Timothy – “Views from the Cordon Sanitaire: Kontumaz Stations as Liminal Spaces”

Dominik, Paulina – “Exile as a Platform for Power: Polish Engineers and Experts in Ottoman Imperial Spaces”

Respondent: Judson, Pieter

11:00 – 11:15 - **Coffee Break**

11:30 – 13:00 **PANEL 4 - WEAKENED COLLABORATIONS?**

Egry, Gábor – “An empire of the weak? The shifting place of the Ottoman Empire within Austro-Hungarian economic space”

Aksakal, Mustafa – “Ottomans and Habsburgs in World War I”

Topaktaş, Hacer - "Türkiye and Central Europe in the Aftermath of the Great War: An analysis of Turkish foreign policy"

Respondent: Reill, Dominique

1:30 – 15:00 – **Lunch**

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