

An International Conference
and Research Workshop

HUMANS IN MOTION

War Crisis and Refugees
in Europe 1914–1923

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Kraków, Gołębia 13
Collegium Witkowskiego

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PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, 29 JUNE 2022

Venue: Józef Tischner Hall, Collegium Witkowskiego (Gołębia 13)

09:00–09:30 **Opening session**
PETRA SVOLJŠAK (ZRC SAZU),
KAMIL RUSZAŁA (Jagiellonian University)

09:30–11:00 **Keynote session**
PETER GATRELL (University of Manchester),
*Europe on the move: further reflections
on refugees and refugeedom in the era of the Great War*

11:30–12:00 Coffee break

12:00–13:30 **Panel 1: Gender and refugees**
Chair: PETRA SVOLJŠAK

ANCA DOINA CRETU (Masaryk Institute and Archives of the CAS),
*Confinement, Integration, Exclusion:
Reconstructing Women's Experiences in Austria-Hungary's
Refugee Camps during the First World War*

DAGMAR WERNITZNIG (University of Ljubljana),
*Transborder Tragedies and Transgenerational Trauma:
Refugeeism and Gender in the Shatter Zones of the North-Eastern
Adriatic Region during the Greater War*

BALÁZS ABLONCZY (Research Centre for the Humanities),
*"The greatest injustice in the world":
Female voices of refugeedom, Hungary 1920–1921*

13:30–15:00 Lunch break

15:00–16:30 **Panel 2: Refugees and cities**
Chair: KEELY STAUTER-HALSTED

KIERAN TAYLOR (University of Stirling),
*Civic Humanitarianism:
Glasgow, the Great War and Belgian Refugees*

ANNA ISAEVA (Lund University),
*A City on the Edge:
refugees and the remaking of ethnic
and political consciousness in wartime Kyiv*

UMIT ESER (ATLAS fellow at CETOBaC),
*End times in the Aegean:
Memories of Destruction and Forced Migration from Smyrna*

16:30–17:00 Coffee break

17:00–18:30 **Panel 3: "The others"?**
Chair: ERIKS JEKABSONS

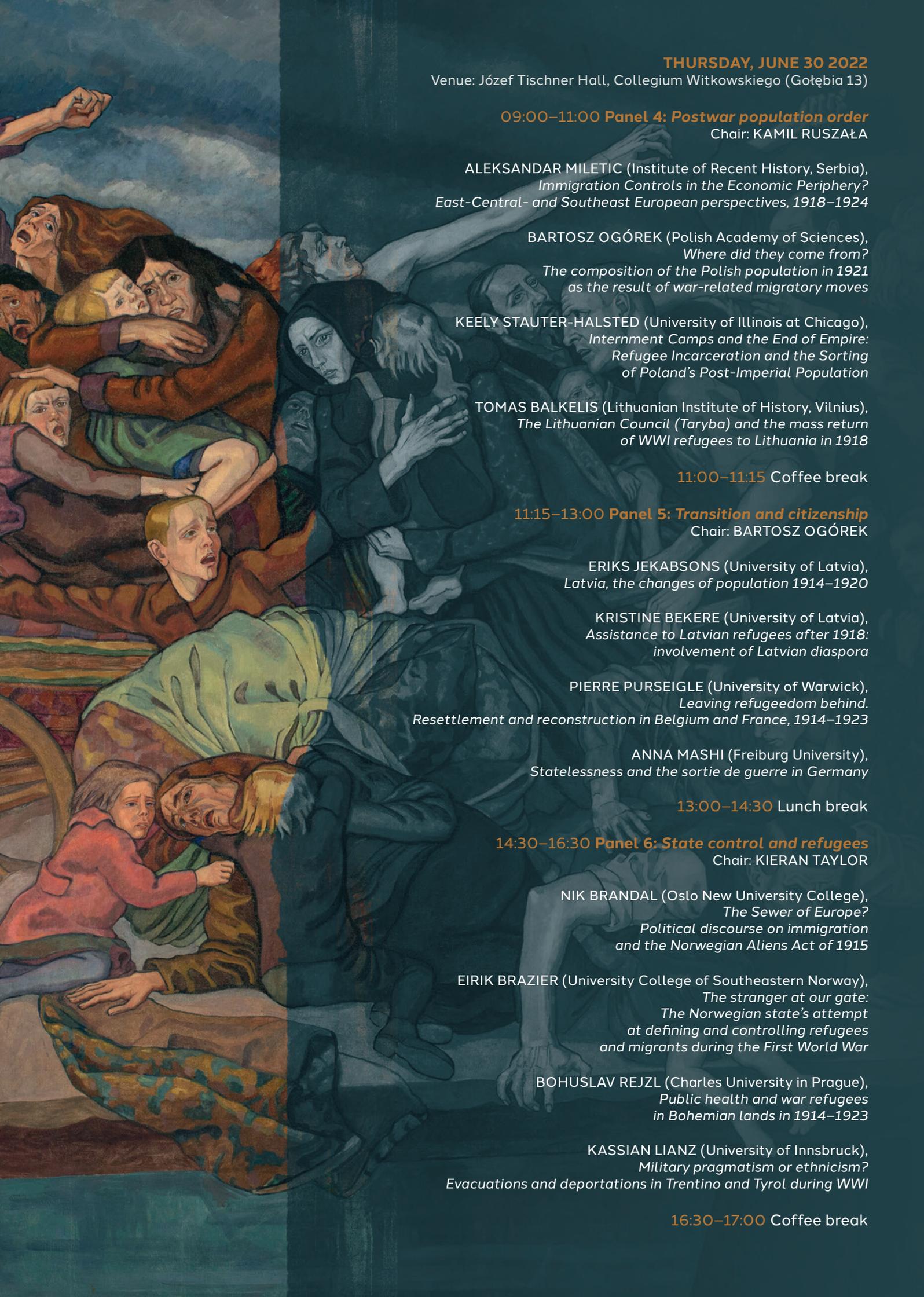
KATHRYN DENSFORD (Chaminade College),
*The "Jewish Affair in Windigsteig":
People on the Move in Provincial Lower Austria*

GREGOR ANTOLIČIČ (ZRC SAZU),
*The others – the image of refugees
from the Slovenian perspective of the First World War*

VICTORIA ABRAHAMYAN (University of Neuchâtel),
*Refugees as a great danger for the public health?
Armenian refugees between the stereotypes
and reality in Syria and Lebanon, 1920–1928*

19:00 Reception





THURSDAY, JUNE 30 2022

Venue: Józef Tischner Hall, Collegium Witkowskiego (Gołębia 13)

09:00–11:00 Panel 4: Postwar population order

Chair: KAMIL RUSZAŁA

ALEKSANDAR MILETIC (Institute of Recent History, Serbia),
*Immigration Controls in the Economic Periphery?
East-Central- and Southeast European perspectives, 1918–1924*

BARTOSZ OGÓREK (Polish Academy of Sciences),
*Where did they come from?
The composition of the Polish population in 1921
as the result of war-related migratory moves*

KEELY STAUTER-HALSTED (University of Illinois at Chicago),
*Internment Camps and the End of Empire:
Refugee Incarceration and the Sorting
of Poland's Post-Imperial Population*

TOMAS BALKELIS (Lithuanian Institute of History, Vilnius),
*The Lithuanian Council (Taryba) and the mass return
of WWI refugees to Lithuania in 1918*

11:00–11:15 Coffee break

11:15–13:00 Panel 5: Transition and citizenship

Chair: BARTOSZ OGÓREK

ERIKS JEKABSONS (University of Latvia),
Latvia, the changes of population 1914–1920

KRISTINE BEKERE (University of Latvia),
*Assistance to Latvian refugees after 1918:
involvement of Latvian diaspora*

PIERRE PURSEIGLE (University of Warwick),
*Leaving refugeedom behind.
Resettlement and reconstruction in Belgium and France, 1914–1923*

ANNA MASHI (Freiburg University),
Statelessness and the sortie de guerre in Germany

13:00–14:30 Lunch break

14:30–16:30 Panel 6: State control and refugees

Chair: KIERAN TAYLOR

NIK BRANDAL (Oslo New University College),
*The Sewer of Europe?
Political discourse on immigration
and the Norwegian Aliens Act of 1915*

EIRIK BRAZIER (University College of Southeastern Norway),
*The stranger at our gate:
The Norwegian state's attempt
at defining and controlling refugees
and migrants during the First World War*

BOHUSLAV REJZL (Charles University in Prague),
*Public health and war refugees
in Bohemian lands in 1914–1923*

KASSIAN LIANZ (University of Innsbruck),
*Military pragmatism or ethnicism?
Evacuations and deportations in Trentino and Tyrol during WWI*

16:30–17:00 Coffee break



17:00–18:30 **Panel 7: Ethnicism, nationalism and representation**

Chair: BALÁZS ABLONCZY

DMITAR TASIĆ (Institute of Recent History in Serbia),
Prisoners of war or refugees?

*The fate of the Balkan Muslims recruited
by the Austria-Hungary and Ottoman Empire during the Great War*

LIDIA ZESSIN-JUREK (Masaryk Institute and Archives of the CAS),
“Shall We Rejoin the Nation (złączym się z narodem)?”
— *Historiography on Post-WWI Refugee Movement
in Poland between ‘Native’ and ‘National’ Paradigm*

PIETER TROGH (In Flandres Field Museum),
Revisiting Belgium’s First World War Exodus from below

18:30-19:00 Closing remarks:

PETRA SVOLJŠAK and KAMIL RUSZAŁA

19:00 Cocktail

FRIDAY, 01 JULY 2022

Field trip to WW1 historical sites
throughout Małopolska (Lesser Poland)