

Call for Papers:

Austria-Hungary in the global colonial system Conference on October 10 and 11, 2025

The University of Vienna and the Collegium Hungaricum are planning to hold a joint two-day conference in October at the University of Vienna entitled *Austria-Hungary in the global colonial system*. In recent years, the discussion of the Habsburg monarchy in the context of colonial history has increasingly become part of academic publications and public discourse. By inviting submissions of academic articles and participation in the planned conference, we aim to make a contribution to current Europe-wide research on social, economic, military and cultural aspects of Austria-Hungary's colonial past as well as embedding in international structures that enabled colonial or semi-colonial rule, to network researchers and to encourage further studies.

The organizing committee invites proposals for contributions on, but not limited to, new approaches to the following subjects:

- Cultural History
- Economic History
- Global History
- Intellectual History
- Political History
- Social History
- Administrative/Bureaucratic History
- Business History
- History of Diplomacy
- Dynastic History
- Environmental History
- History of Gender and Sexuality
- Legal History
- Media and Communication
- Military History
- History of Science & Technology
- Memory Culture

Researchers may propose papers and/or panel contribution of their choosing within the range of the general topic of the conference. We ask contributors to provide us with the title of their presentation and a short Abstract until May 15th. The duration of the presentations in October is limited 30 minutes per contribution and can be either in English or German.

Non-Austrian conference participants have the ability to apply for travel expenses support.

To document and illustrate the respective topics, we also plan to publish an anthology after the conference. All presenters are therefore asked to additionally provide a written contribution in English on their topic for final publication in the aftermath of the conference until January 31st 2026. These Articles may not exceed between 5 to 8.000 words and need to include a bibliography. In addition we ask each author for a short CV including previous key publications in a couple of sentences.

Abstracts and articles can be uploaded here:

<https://ucloud.univie.ac.at/index.php/s/sQGrAfwARDLQZRn>

We hope for active participation and look forward to receiving your abstracts.