

I Programme I

Wednesday, 26 June 2019

- 09:00 a.m. Opening address by Captain (GN)
Dr. Jörg Hillmann,
Cdr ZMSBw
- 09:15 a.m. Introduction by
Prof. Dr. Michael Epkenhans
Director of Research ZMSBw
- 09:15 a.m. Panel I:
The Victors of the War (Part I)**
Presenter: *Prof. Dr. Michael Epkenhans*
Potsdam/Germany
From Excellence and Proudness to
Uncertainty and Bitterness. French Military
Officers and the Pyrrhus Victory of 1918
Prof. Dr. Jean de Préneuf
Paris/France
Shaping a new world: British policy and
the search for stability
Prof. Dr. Andrew Lambert
London/Great Britain
The United States and its Military after
World War I
Prof. Dr. Dirk Bönker
Durham/USA
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee break

- 11:15 a.m. Panel II:
The Victors of the War (Part II)**
Presenter: *Dr. Markus Pöhlmann*
Potsdam/Germany
The difficulties of an 'easy' peace after a
difficult war. The Italian military after 1918
Prof. Dr. Nicola Labanca
Siena/Italy
The impact of WWI on the tactical
development of Imperial Japanese Army
Colonel Shohei Abe
Tokyo/Japan
- 12:45 p.m. Lunch break
- 02:00 p.m. Panel III:
The Defeated**
Presenter: *Colonel Dr. Gerhard Groß*
Potsdam/Germany
The Military Clauses of the Versailles
Treaty and the Rebuilding of Armed
Forces in Germany
Dr. Markus Pöhlmann
Potsdam/Germany
The Austrian Army of St. Germain
1920–1933/34
Dr. Christian Ortner
Vienna/Austria

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- 09:00 a.m. Panel IV:
Smaller States, New States, and New
Emerging Powers**
Presenter: *Dr. Manuel Stanescu*
Bucharest/Romania
Reshaping the Romanian military under
the impact of the Great War: new
challenges – new paradigms
Dr. Carmen Rijnoveanu
Bucharest/Romania
The Military-Political Consequences of the
Treaty of Versailles for the Second
Republic of Poland
Prof. Dr. Roman Kochnowski
Krakow/Poland
Facing a new World Maritime Order:
Australia's part in the search for an
effective British Empire naval strategy for
the Asia-Pacific 1918–1924
Rear Admiral ret. Dr. James Goldrick
Canberra/Australia
Between Imperial Requirements and
National Defence: The Military Establishment
in South Africa after the Great War
Prof. Dr. Thean Potgieter
Cape Town/South Africa
Royal Yugoslav Army – foundation,
organisation, problems
Major Dr. Dalibor Denda
Belgrade/Serbia
- 12:00 p.m. Final discussion and concluding remarks

In June 1919, Germany had to sign the Treaty of Versailles. This treaty, which finally ended the Great War, was the first of a number of similar treaties signed by Germany and its allies on the one hand and France, Great Britain, the USA and their allies on the other.

These treaties were much criticised by contemporaries and have since been so by later historians.

A hundred years on, it is time for the treaties to be re-evaluated. Whilst their impact upon politics and society has been widely discussed, their impact upon the military, irrespective of which side finally won or lost the Great War, has remained largely neglected.

The Bundeswehr Centre of Military History and Social Sciences (ZMSBw) invites you to an international workshop to discuss this aspect.

The workshop will address the following issues:

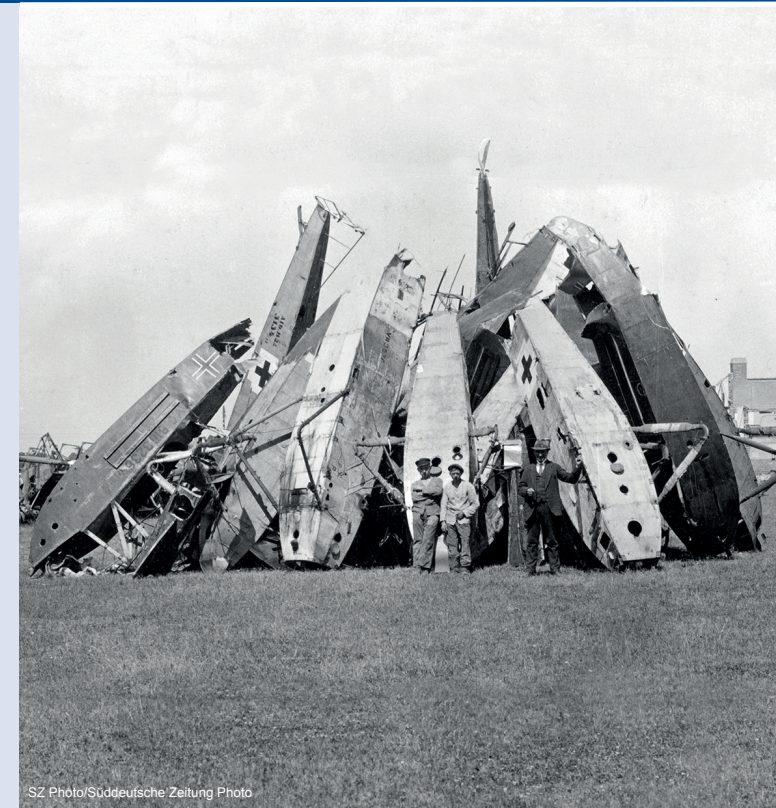
- 1 The strength and the organisation of the military
- 2 Social change in the military
- 3 The role of the military in politics and society
- 4 The discussion of strategy and tactics
- 5 The attitude of the military towards disarmament
- 6 The attitude of the military towards new international organisations

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Venue: Bundeswehr Centre of Military History and Social Sciences (ZMSBw)
Building 12, Hans-Meier-Welcker-Saal
Zeppelinstr. 127/128
14471 Potsdam

Further Information: The workshop will be held in English. Attendees will be requested to pay a workshop fee of 5 Euro. If you wish to attend the workshop, you are requested to register by 19 June 2019.

Registration: zmsbwtagungsmanagement@bundeswehr.org



The End of the Great War –
its impact upon the military,
military thinking, and military planning

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