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Re-Visions of Entanglements in Daily Life in Central and Eastern Europe

Microhistorical Approaches and
Inclusive Perspectives, 1840–1930

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DAY 1

Tuesday, 24 February 2026

12.00–12.15

Welcome

12.15–14.15

Panel I: Jewish/non-Jewish Relations

Moderator: Gerald Lamprecht (University of Graz)

Julie Dawson (University of Vienna)

The Jewish Gendarme Who Went Dancing and Got Caught: Interethnic Conflict and Concord in the Bukovina Gendarmerie

Klaus Hödl (University of Graz)

A Glimpse into Jewish and non-Jewish Togetherness

Andrea Kaltenbrunner (University of Regensburg)

Through the State's Eyes: Jewish-Romanian Encounters in Interwar Private Life

14.15–14.30

Coffee Break

14.30–16.30

Panel II: Urban "Underworlds" and their Exploration

Moderator: Klaus Hödl (University of Graz)

Margarita Lerman (Hebrew University of Jerusalem | Leibniz Institute for Jewish History and Culture – Simon Dubnow)

In the Back Room and on the Street: Exchange and Surveillance from Warsaw to Whitechapel

Aleksandra Jakubczak (POLIN Museum Warsaw)

Beds for Rent: Interethnic Cohabitation and the Sex Market in Interwar Poland

Susanne Korbel (University of Graz | CEU)

Forced Interethnic Cohabitation in Budapestian and Viennese Prisons 1880–1930

16.30–17.00

Coffee Break

17.00–18.30

Panel III: Identifications in Times of War

Moderator: Ines Koeltzsch (Central European University Vienna)

Justyna Lisak (Taube Department of Jewish Studies University of Wrocław)

Entangled in Tradition and Culture – The Youth Diaries of Hermann Abraham from the Province of Posen (1905–1918)

Szilveszter Dékány (Otto von Habsburg Foundation Budapest)

Fates Condensed into a Moment: Hidden Interactions in a Wartime Portrait

Conference Dinner

| DAY 2

Wednesday, 25 February 2026

09.00–11.00

Panel IV: (Post)Imperial Interactions and Integration

Moderator: Michael L. Miller (Central European University Vienna)

Tim Buchen (Taube Department of Jewish Studies University of Wrocław)

Beyond Conflicts. Interaction, Trust, and Neighborhood in Jewish-non-Jewish Relations in late Habsburg Galicia

Ursula K. Mindler-Steiner (University of Graz)

Entanglements of the Jewish and Romani Population in the Hungarian-Austrian Border Region

Dor Correct (University of Vienna)

Christian-Jewish Mixed Marriages in the Austrian part of Austria-Hungary (1867–1918)

11.00–11.15

Coffee Break

11.15–13.15

Panel V: Traces of Encounters

Moderator: Aleksandra Jakubczak (POLIN Museum Warsaw)

Olga Kozubská (Münster University)

Shared Markets, Asymmetrical Spaces: Trade and Boundaries in "Private Towns" of Podolia during the 19th century

Nadja Weck (University of Vienna)

Aleksander Granach's Memories of his Childhood in Verbivtsi (Werbowitz, Wierzbowce) in Eastern Galicia

Antony Hoyte-West (Nottingham Trent University)

Strangers on a Train: Ethnicity, Gender, and Language on a Journey from Vienna to Czernowitz

13.15–13.45

Concluding Discussion



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This final conference of the Austrian Science Fund ESPRIT Project
'Entanglements of Jews and Non-Jews in Private Spaces'

(FWF ESP120), organized by Susanne Korbel, brings together contributions that explore everyday encounters between people of different national, political, religious, or cultural affiliations in Central and Eastern Europe from 1840 to 1930. The aim is to gain a more adequate understanding of daily routines involving compromises that coexist alongside differences. Applying micro-historical lenses, the contributions challenge conventional group-based narratives, employ inclusive perspectives, and draw on interdisciplinary approaches, particularly in the fields of Jewish–non-Jewish relations, gender history, and social history.

Organizer:

Susanne Korbel (Center for Jewish Studies, University of Graz | Jewish Studies Program, Central European University Vienna)

