

Call for Papers for the SOG18 Yearbook 10/2027

Popular Enlightenment in the 18th and 19th Century in South Eastern Europe: Initiators, Media and Institutions/Volksaufklärung im 18. und 19. Jahrhundert im Südosteuropa: Akteure, Institutionen und Medien.

If you wish to contribute, please send your abstract to dgrbic@uni-koeln.de and harald.heppner@uni-graz.at by May 15th, 2026.

Publications

- Recently published: Harald HEPPNER, *Neuzeit mit Verspätung. Die Anfänge der Transition in Europas Südosten (1683-1821)*. Baden-Baden: Nomos, 12026 [Modern times with a delay. The beginnings of transition in Europe's Southeast (1683-1821)].
The monograph by the society's founder and former chair (2017-2025) deals with the phenomena, but also with the problems that arose or became apparent when this region underwent profound changes during the long 18th century.
- Out now: Ovidiu Olar, Konrad Petrovsky (eds.), *Writing History in Ottoman Europe (Fifteenth – Eighteenth Centuries)*, Leiden: Brill 2026.

Yearbook

- Forthcoming: Sabine Jesner/Harald Heppner (eds.), *"Mars revisited. Contemporary perceptions of war and its traces in 18th-century Southeast Europe"*, Yearbook no. 9.

Round Table

- Round Table co-organized by SOG18 and prepared by SOG18-member Dragan Grbić, entitled *Matica Srpska and Matica Srpska Chronicle in Comparative Perspective: Cultural Association of the Austrian Empire and German-Language Journals*, Novi Sad (Serbia) March 19th–20th, 2026. For details see: https://www.maticasrpska.org.rs/stariSajt/predstavlanje_knjige/Program%20Nem-srpski%20ENGL%20PRINT.pdf

Book presentations

At the roundtable in Novi Sad, two publications relevant to 18th-century research on Southeast Europe were presented:

- Harald Heppner, *Neuzeit mit Verspätung. Die Anfänge der Transition in Europas Südosten (1683-1821)*. Baden-Baden: Nomos, 12026.
- Dragana Grbić/Harald Heppner/Konrad Petrovsky (eds.), *Secularisation between the Adriatic and the Carpathians/Säkularisierung zwischen Adria und Karpatenbogen. Conference Proceedings. SOG18 Yearbook no.8/2025*.

Announcements

ISCES conference at the Deutsches Historisches Institut in Paris, June 10th-12th, 2026: "Reframing the Enlightenment Intellectual and political disputes today / Le défi des Lumières Enjeux intellectuels et politiques"

For details see: <https://www.dhi-paris.fr/de/termindetails/vor-ort-und-online-reframing-the-enlightenment.html>