Monday 27 Sept. 2021
Arrival of the Participants

18.00 Welcome address by the Chief of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of the Slovak Republic gen. Daniel Žižek
18.05 Icebreaker at the hotel

Tuesday 28 Sept. 2021
9.00 Welcome addresses
Pavol Jozef Šafárik University, Executive director of the Partnership for Peace Consortium, Center for Military History and Social Sciences of the Bundeswehr Potodam, Ministry of Defence of Slovak Republic/Institute of Military History

9.30 1. Incalculable – How Old and New Wars Begin
Chair: J. Hoffemaan (NL)
Zvezdan Marković (SLO): What went wrong? The Army of the Kingdom of Yugoslavia in the April 1941 War
Hans Peter Kriemann (DE): How New Wars Start. NATO and Germany in the Kosovo Conflict
Philipp Münch (DE): NATO and the Beginning of the West’s Afghanistan Entanglement
Niek Bo Poulson (DK): Russia – a formidable or mediocre actor of hybrid warfare?
Discussion

10.30 Coffee Break

11.00 2. Means and Ends – The Interaction of Political Thinking and Military Planning
Chair: C. Ritoveana (RO)
Morgane Barry (FR): The French Armistice Army. After the defeat, which Army for French forces? (1940-1942)
Boyan Zhekov (BG): In the Aftermath of the Moscow Armistice of 28 October 1944: The Allied Control Commission and the Bulgarian Armed Forces
Petr Jasourek (CZ): Czechoslovak President Václav Havel and the End of the East-West Conflict
Discussion

12.00 Lunch Break

13.30 3. War Mortgage – After Old and New Wars have ended
Chair: H.-P. Kriemann (DE)
Blaz Torkar (SLO): The end of the Second World War on Slovenian Territory and Challenges of Peace
Erisn McCoy (USA): The Echoing Whimper: The United States’ Slow Exit from Viet Nam & the Legacy of the “American War”
Discussion

14.30 Coffee Break

15.00 4. The picture in the Mind – Imagined Wars
Chair: Ch. Ortnaer (AT)
Matej Medvecký (SK): Czechoslovak Military Intelligence and Germany 1945 – 1946.
Jordan Bae (BG): War Stress Psychosis and Operation VRYAN: New evidence from Bulgarian Military and Intelligence Archives
Discussion

Wednesday 29 Sept. 2021
9.00 – 22.00 Staff ride to Battle of Dokla Pass memorial and battle site

Thursday 30 Sept. 2021
9.00 5. Non-Military Factors – The Domestic Dimension of Conflicts
Chair: M. Medvecký (SK)
Daniela Șcheanu (RO): Public opinion in Romania during the period of neutrality in the First World War (1914-1916). The Ententeophiles vs the Germanophiles.
Mark E. Grotelueschen – Derek Varble (USA): Provocative Weakness: The Failure of American Deterrence in 1917
Orit Miller Katav (ISR): The impact of non-military factors in shaping the decision makers concerning war and peace, propaganda and disinformation: role of archetypes in conflict initiation, the role of public opinion, national resilience etc.
Discussion

10:00 Coffee Break

10:30 6. Who is the Enemy? – Changing Typologies of War
Chair: H. Rough (USA)
Petra A. Kita (HU): Kaszmir 1947 – the First Modern Hybrid War
Ruth Amir (ISR): The Plight of Child-Soldiers and Conflict Termination: Implications for Policy Makers
Discussion

11:30 Lunch Break
13:00 7. Lessons Learned
Chair: M. Pekár (SK)
Paul Lenormand (FR): Rebuilding the officer corps after the disaster: retribution and recruitment in the Czechoslovak postwar military (1945-1948)
Stáňka Očenášková (SK): Teaching the War, Learning the Stereotypes: Challenges of Contemporary History Education on Military Conflicts
Discussion

14:15 Carmen Rijnowska (CSWG Chairwoman): Conference Takeaways and Outlook
Jan Hoffenaar and Mariusz Miępskowski: Presentation of the 2022 CSWG Conference

16:30 Meeting in the hotel’s lobby
17:00 Visit to the East Slovak Museum
18:00 Speech of the State Secretary Mr. Marian Majer
18:05 – 20:00 Farewell Reception

Friday 1 Oct 2021
Departure of the participants

Please note: During the conference working days and receptions formal dress is obligatory. During the staff ride semi casual attire is convenient.