

THE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY, FACULTY OF ARTS, UPJŠ  
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# MEETING OF YOUNG HISTORIANS XI

## KNOWLEDGE, SOCIETY, HISTORY

Košice, 19. - 20. october 2021





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Gradual changes in evolving knowledge systems have encouraged historians to look at the past in new ways. They triggered a surge of interest in the history of knowledge a field covering all the knowledge of human society acquired or discovered in the course of history. The history of knowledge has brought a new approach to the study of natural sciences, craft knowledge, as well as knowledge contained in the humanities and social sciences. They have examined not only all the great theories and discoveries of human civilization but also everything that mankind has so far invented, created, and perfected. Indeed, human history cannot be understood in isolation from the history of knowledge and understanding.

Today, this history is often presented as an extension of the history of science. The history of knowledge not only broadens the boundaries of the history of science but examines the boundaries between different forms of knowledge and ignorance. Just as studies of historical memory have expanded to complement their interest in the study of forgetfulness, the history of knowledge includes studies of ignorance. They draw attention to the change that has taken place in recent decades: from the sacralization of science and respect for expertise to the dismissal of science and the constant questioning of expertise, to which the history of knowledge must respond in the same way. Knowledge as a product forms the basis of human interactions and has a past. What was the significance of knowledge and knowledge in different historical periods? How did state power influence the development of knowledge and understanding? What can be considered as knowledge in a certain historical epoch or culture? After all, is there any human activity that cannot be considered knowledge?

At present, a great expansion of research, publishing activities, as well as the emergence of new institutions can be observed in the field of the history of knowledge. The eleventh year of the doctoral conference – Meeting of Young Historians XI – will be devoted to expanding the way of looking at the past of knowledge and understanding. The conference is organised by the Department of History of the Faculty of Arts, UPJŠ in cooperation with the Slovak Historical Society at the SAS. The aim of the conference, intended for Slovak and foreign doctoral students, is to provide a space for the presentation of the latest results of scientific research, professional discussion, establishment of contacts, development of cooperation, and mutual exchange of experiences of the wider historical community. The contributions of active participants will be published in a peer-reviewed conference proceeding, which consists of publications by active participants.

**\*The conference is intended for PhD students. A recommendation from the supervisor must be provided.**

**\*\*Organisers reserve the right to select contributions. The texts will be evaluated by professional guarantors. Conference presentations which will pass through peer-review procedure shall be published in a conference proceeding.**



The organisers of the conference will welcome all abstract submissions in the following areas:

### Places of Knowledge

- institutions of knowledge as centres of knowledge production,
- cities enabling the development of knowledge and skills, especially by concentrating education and cultural stimuli
- the relationship between intellectual centres and their periphery

### Distribution of Knowledge

- academic knowledge and development of scientific disciplines
- production and reproduction of knowledge remote from traditional academic environments
- different ways and styles of thinking characteristic of different periods and different nations
- innovation of knowledge tools accelerating the growth of knowledge
- cultural and knowledge transfers bringing new habits and knowledge

### Knowledge under Control

- institutional systems with the power to approve or reject knowledge, issue regulations, and adopt reforms
- knowledge and understanding influenced by the economic, social, or cultural life of the country
- ideas, institutions, and various processes influencing the emergence of intellectual practices and practices in the acquisition of knowledge
- the profession of scientist, scholar influenced by the historical and social context of the country

### Ignorance as a Source of Knowledge

- knowledge that has been lost or deliberately rejected
- curiosity as one of the impulses in the desire for knowledge
- state secrets, secret knowledge, and information changing history
- lies and hoaxes and their place in the research of history
- secrets and secret societies operating in history

### Organizing committee:

Mgr. Zuzana Tokárová, PhD.

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### Application deadline:

18.6.2021

### Paper submission deadline:

31.8.2021

### Length of contribution:

15 normpages, more information will be sent to invited participants

### Conference languages:

Slovak, Czech, English

### Conference fee:

20 €

### Venue:

Rectorate building UPJŠ, Šrobárova 2, Košice

*\*the form of the conference will depend on the current pandemic situation, the participants will be informed in time*

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Application  
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