

C O N F E R E N C E

THE SECOND WORLD WAR and SOCIETY

BANSKÁ BYSTRICA, MUSEUM OF THE SLOVAK NATIONAL UPRISING, 8 - 9 NOVEMBER 2023

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As a rule, every war irreversibly changes the lives of soldiers, their loved ones or residents of the country involved in the conflict. The Second World War was no exception. Its global impact, however, determined not only those it directly affected, but society as such with all its components.

The aim of the conference is to bring the latest results of historical research on the phenomena and issues related to the relationship between the Second World War and society, to supplement previous research and to offer new perspectives on the topic.

The organizers would welcome potential contributions to fall under the following topics, however, we encourage you to present your own ideas and the organizer will approve those which will be seen as a contribution to the conference. Contributions from both Slovakia and abroad are welcome. The conference is co-organized by the Museum of the Slovak National Uprising, Institute of Military History, Faculty of Political Sciences and International Relations of the Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica and the Slovak Historical Society.

Please note that the **official languages** of the event are Slovak and English and simultaneous translation will be provided to and from these languages.

Deadline: Please be sure to submit your abstract no later than 15 September 2023. We will not consider proposals after this date. We reserve the right to decline paper proposals due to time limits.

The topics of your contributions shall preferably address the following subjects:

- Army and society (armed forces and their relationship to society, resistance tendencies, society during the Slovak National Uprising and the liberation of Slovakia, ...)
- Phenomena of war and their reflection in society (military betrayal, reprisals at the war front and behind the lines, denunciation and collaboration in the conditions of wartime occupation of the country, ...), metamorphosis of reflections of war and dynamics of the moods in society
- Everyday life on the war front and behind the lines during the war
- Minorities during the Second World War (military deployment, perception of the war conflict by minorities and their representatives, minorities in the resistance and the Slovak National Uprising, ...)
- Propaganda, conspiracy theories and militarization of society during the Second World War
- The impact of the war on the economic life and businesses. The involvement of the economically active population and industry in the war effort, war damage
- Collective versus individual trauma
- Deformations in interpreting the history of the Second World War and the Slovak National Uprising

Scholars interested in attending or contributing to the conference should send a short **abstract** (maximum of 500 words) of their paper proposal in the Slovak, Czech or English language to the following e-mail address:
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*Daily traffic on the embankment
of the Hron River in Banská Bystrica
during the Uprising in 1944.
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National Uprising*

