

# I Programme I

Wednesday, 26 June 2019

- 09:00 a.m. Opening address by Captain (Navy)  
*Dr. Jörg Hillmann*,  
Cdr ZMSBw
- 09:15 a.m. Introduction by  
*Prof. Dr. Michael Epkenhans*  
Director of Research ZMSBw
- 09:15 a.m. Panel I:  
The Victors of the War (Part I)**  
Presenter: *Prof. Dr. Michael Epkenhans*  
Potsdam/Germany  
From Excellence and Proudness to  
Uncertainty and Bitterness. French Military  
Officers and the Pyrrhus Victory of 1918  
*Prof. Dr. Jean de Préneuf*  
Paris/France  
Shaping a new world: British policy and  
the search for stability  
*Prof. Dr. Andrew Lambert*  
London/Great Britain  
Armaments and Global Power:  
The United States and its Military after  
World War I  
*Prof. Dr. Dirk Bönker*  
Durham/USA
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee break

- 11:15 a.m. Panel II:  
The Victors of the War (Part II)**  
Presenter: *Dr. Markus Pöhlmann*  
Potsdam/Germany  
The difficulties of an 'easy' peace after a  
difficult war. The Italian military after 1918  
*Prof. Dr. Nicola Labanca*  
Siena/Italy  
The impact of WWI on the tactical  
development of Imperial Japanese Army  
*Colonel Shohei Abe*  
Tokyo/Japan
- 12:45 p.m. Lunch break
- 02:00 p.m. Panel III:  
The Defeated**  
Presenter: *Lieutenant Colonel  
Dr. Christian Stachelbeck*  
Potsdam/Germany  
The Military Clauses of the Versailles  
Treaty and the Rebuilding of Armed  
Forces in Germany  
*Dr. Markus Pöhlmann*  
Potsdam/Germany  
The Austrian Army of St. Germain  
1920–1933/34  
*Dr. Christian Ortner*  
Vienna/Austria
- 03:30 p.m. Discussion**

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- 09:00 a.m. Panel IV:  
Smaller States, New States, and New  
Emerging Powers**  
Presenter: *Dr. Manuel Stanescu*  
Bucharest/Romania  
Reshaping the Romanian military under  
the impact of the Great War: new  
challenges – new paradigms  
*Dr. Carmen Rijnoveanu*  
Bucharest/Romania  
The Military-Political Consequences of the  
Treaty of Versailles for the Second  
Republic of Poland  
*Prof. Dr. Roman Kochnowski*  
Krakow/Poland  
Facing a new World Maritime Order:  
Australia's part in the search for an  
effective British Empire naval strategy for  
the Asia-Pacific 1918–1924  
*Rear Admiral ret. Dr. James Goldrick*  
Canberra/Australia  
Between Imperial Requirements and  
National Defence: The Military Establishment  
in South Africa after the Great War  
*Prof. Dr. Thean Potgieter*  
Cape Town/South Africa  
Royal Yugoslav Army – foundation,  
organisation, problems  
*Lieutenant Colonel Dr. Dalibor Denda*  
Belgrade/Serbia
- 12:00 p.m. Final discussion and concluding remarks

In June 1919, Germany had to sign the Treaty of Versailles. This treaty, which finally ended the Great War, was the first of a number of similar treaties signed by Germany and its allies on the one hand and France, Great Britain, the USA and their allies on the other.

These treaties were much criticised by contemporaries and have since been so by later historians.

A hundred years on, it is time for the treaties to be re-evaluated. Whilst their impact upon politics and society has been widely discussed, their impact upon the military, irrespective of which side finally won or lost the Great War, has remained largely neglected.

The Bundeswehr Centre of Military History and Social Sciences (ZMSBW) invites you to an international workshop to discuss this aspect.

The workshop will address the following issues:

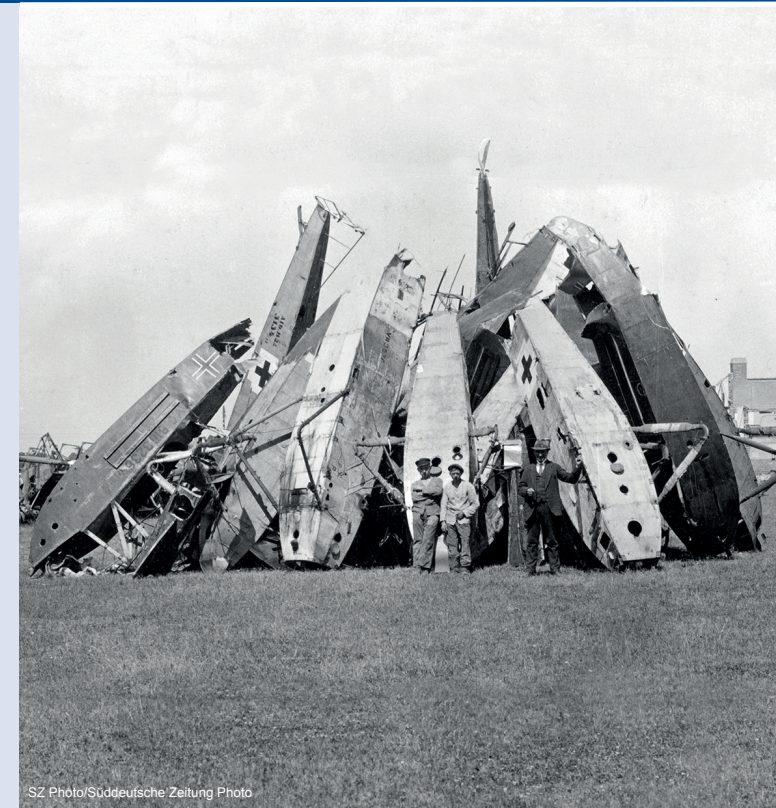
- 1 The strength and the organisation of the military
- 2 Social change in the military
- 3 The role of the military in politics and society
- 4 The discussion of strategy and tactics
- 5 The attitude of the military towards disarmament
- 6 The attitude of the military towards new international organisations

**Organiser:** Bundeswehr Centre of Military History and Social Sciences  
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**Venue:** Bundeswehr Centre of Military History and Social Sciences (ZMSBW)  
Building 12, Hans-Meier-Welcker-Saal  
Zeppelinstr. 127/128  
14471 Potsdam

**Further Information:** The workshop will be held in English. Attendees will be requested to pay a workshop fee of 5 Euro. If you wish to attend the workshop, you are requested to register by 19 June 2019.

**Registration:** [zmsbwtagungsmanagement@bundeswehr.org](mailto:zmsbwtagungsmanagement@bundeswehr.org)



**The End of the Great War –**  
its impact upon the military,  
military thinking, and military planning

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