



Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen
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Neuankommende IWM Visiting Fellows im März 2024

Das Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen heißt diesen Monat drei neue Gastwissenschaftler:innen willkommen. Sie forschen zu Österreichs Übergang vom Zweiten Weltkrieg in die Nachkriegszeit, zum Rückführungsprozess ukrainischer Kriegsgefangener aus Österreich nach dem Ersten Weltkrieg und zur heutigen Relevanz von Hegels *Phänomenologie des Geistes*.



Nathan Marcus

Ben Gurion University, Israel

March – May 2024

The Vienna Black Market, 1943–1948

Defeat or liberation are usually understood as a rupture, but important continuities link Vienna's collaborationist Nazi period to that of liberation and democracy. This project looks at the black market in Vienna from 1943 to 1948 as the continuous product of both economic warfare and of military defeat, linking the years of war with the postwar period. Studying how black-marketeers, lawyers, policemen, or judges thought about what it meant to be a good citizen during these years will shed new light on Austria's transition from Nazi collaborator to sovereign Republic. Although considered a defeated enemy, Austrians argued they had become the first victims of Nazi aggression in 1938. The project will investigate how Austrians failed to come to terms with their own Nazi past.



Milana Sribniak

National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

March – June 2024

Repatriation of Ukrainian Prisoners of War from Austria (1918–1920)

This project aims to analyze comprehensively the repatriation process of Ukrainian prisoners of war after WWI from the territory of the former Austro-Hungarian empire. Milana Sribniak focuses on evacuation routes, diplomatic activity and humanitarian aid to POWs (from Ukrainian embassies, military and sanitary missions, and the Red Cross), as well as the treaties and decrees that determined the repatriation. The project also delves into the context of the rapid geopolitical transformations, changes in borders and political regimes of that time that impacted full-scale repatriation, as well as providing a collective portrait of Ukrainian POWs in Austrian camps.



Bartosz Wójcik

Institute of Political Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences

March – May 2024

The Path of Despair: The Contemporary Relevance of Hegel's 'Phenomenology of Spirit'

Bartosz Wójcik's project analyzes G.W.F. Hegel's *Phenomenology of Spirit* and aims to challenge instantiated and outdated interpretations of Hegel's most important work. Based on the assumption that only today more than two hundred years after the publication of Hegel's book—

can we properly understand his work, this undertaking will re-contextualize the relevance of Hegel's book as it is refracted through the prism of contemporary philosophical, anthropological, scientific, and historical discussions. As such, *The Path of Despair* will concern itself precisely with tracing these *returns* and *avant la lettre* notions of Hegelian work.

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