



Russia 1917 and the Dissolution of the Old Order in Europe.

Biographical Itineraries, Individual Experiences, Autobiographical Reflections

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14:00 **Welcome and Introduction**

Korine Amacher Geneva / **F. Benjamin Schenk** Basel

Keynote Lecture

Boris Kolonitsky Saint Petersburg

Anti-Monarchic Revolution and the Cult of the Popular Leader. The Case of Alexander Kerenski

15:30 Coffee Break

16:00 **Panel 1: Biographies Shaped by the Revolution I**

Chair: **Thomas Grob** Basel

Korine Amacher Geneva

Experience of War and of Revolution: Vladimir Socoline's Long Road to Damascus

F. Benjamin Schenk Basel

„I Am Too Bewildered to Understand Anything These Days“. Members of the Old Elite Try to Make Sense of the Revolution

Henning Lautenschläger Basel

The Professor. Sergei Mikhailovich Prokudin-Gorskii's Life after the Revolution and the Development of Imperial Nostalgia (1917–1944)

Discussant: **Peter Holquist** Philadelphia

18:00 **Conference Reception / Apéro**

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09:00 **Panel 2: Revolution and Civil War**

Chair: **Jens Herlth** Fribourg

Liudmila Novikova Moscow

Making Sense of the Russian Revolution and Civil War:
Patriotism and Memory of the Civil War in the 1920s

Alexander Reznik St. Petersburg / Basel

Constructing the Political Cult of Leon Trotsky During the
Russian Civil War

Discussant: **Dietrich Beyrau** Tübingen

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00 **Panel 3: Revolution and Scripture**

Chair: **Nada Boškovska** Zurich

Marina Sorokina Moscow

Roman Yakobson as a Mirror of the Russian Revolution

Adele Lindenmeyr Villanova

„Common Sense Vanishes in Revolutionary Times“ :
Sofia Panina and Ariadna Tyrkova-Williams Reflect on 1917

Discussant: **Thomas Grob** Basel

12:30 Lunch

14:00 **Panel 4: Revolution in the Ukraine**

Chair: **Julia Richers** Bern

Eric Aunoble Geneva

Polish Leftists in the Russian Revolution in Ukraine. From Militancy to Memory

Andrii Portnov Berlin / Geneva

The Revolutions on the Periphery. Ekaterinoslav in 1917–1919

Fabian Baumann Basel

„General Staff for Russian Kiev“ : The Shul’gin Family, *Kievlianin*, and Kiev’s Russian Nationalist Movement in 1917

Discussant: **Jens Herlth** Fribourg

16:00 Coffee Break

16:30 **Panel 5: Revolution and Agency**

Chair: **Martin Aust** Bonn

Nikita Petrov Moscow

Group Picture of Soviet Assassins: The Trajectory of Stalinist Executioners from the Revolution to the Great Terror

Pierre Boutonnet Lille

Vsevolod Mihajlovič Ejenbaum alias Volin, Two Periods of Emigration in France, Writing for Action? The Limits of the Rights in Political Exile (1915–1940)

Discussant: **Nada Boškowska** Zurich

19:00 **Conference Dinner**

Restaurant „Zum Isaak“
Münsterplatz 16, 4051 Basel

09:00 **Panel 6: Biographies Shaped by the Revolution II**

Chair: **F. Benjamin Schenk** Basel

Anne O'Donnell New York

Life Stories and Administrative Practice in Revolutionary Russia

Sophie Cœuré Paris

Two Women Gaining Power Through the October Revolution: Alexandra Kollontai and Suzanne Girault

Andrei Sorokin Moscow

A Broken Screw of the Soviet System. Life and Fate of Leonid Nikolaev

Discussant: **Gleb Albert** Zurich

11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 **Panel 7: Temporal and Spatial Peripheries**

Chair: **Korine Amacher** Geneva

Igor Narskii Cheliabinsk

A Man not Impressed by the Revolution. Konstantin Teploukhov Experiencing the Revolution at the Empire's Periphery

Anthony Heywood Aberdeen

Facing the Rubicon: Circumstance, Choice and Consequence in the Experience of the Russian Revolution

Discussant: **Julia Richers** Bern

13:00 Lunch

14:00 **Narrating the Russian Revolution**

Martin Aust Bonn

100 Years of Interpreting the Russian Revolution

15:00 Final Discussion

16:00 Departure

General information

Conveners

Prof. Dr. Korine Amacher (University of Geneva)

Prof. Dr. Frithjof Benjamin Schenk (University of Basel)

Conference venue

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