Summer School

History Takes Place – Dynamics of Urban Change

Belgrade and Sarajevo

4–15 September 2017

Call for Applications
Belgrade and Sarajevo in their urban fabric reflect the exceptional interweaving of past and present in the Balkans. Over the centuries, both cities have developed a strong urban identity going far beyond their national meaning. Belgrade – a border town of several empires – was repeatedly contested and embattled. It was rebuilt many times to suit the cultural preferences of diverse rulers. Its turbulent history is defined by constant efforts to sustain a city in spite of successive waves of conquest. Its current urban and economic development is strongly shaped by globalisation. Sarajevo – founded by the Ottoman rulers and considered as a gateway to Central Europe – in the 20th century became a lieu de mémoire in European history. Traces of heavy destruction during the Bosnian War siege are still clearly visible in the urban landscape. City life today is marked by the interplay between integration and segregation in its multi-ethnic society.

The summer school will bring together twenty international young researchers – historians, cultural and social scientists, city planners and architects. The programme is focused on the complex and multi-layered history of both metropoles. The ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius and the Gerda Henkel Foundation invite the participants to study the connections between historical events and spatial development.

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Please send your application including a statement of interest, CV and suggested presentation topic to the programme director at the ZEIT-Stiftung, Dr. Anna Hofmann: hofmann@zeit-stiftung.de.

The application deadline is 29 May 2017

Further information: www.history-takes-place.de
About the ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius

The ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius supports research and scholarship, art and culture, as well as education and training. It provides funding for outstanding international young researchers working in an interdisciplinary environment. The Ph.D. scholarship program “Trajectories of Change” contributes to studies in the humanities and social sciences with a focus on transformation processes in the European neighbourhood. The Bucerius Young Scholars Forum in Berkeley deals with histories of migration from an international and global perspective. The foundation also supports projects in the humanities and social sciences with a particular focus on the Hanseatic city of Hamburg and on Haifa, Israel.

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About the Gerda Henkel Foundation

The Gerda Henkel Foundation was established in June 1976 by Lisa Maskell in memory of her mother Gerda Henkel as a private, non-profit grant making organization. The Foundation has its headquarters in Düsseldorf. The sole object of the Foundation is to promote science at universities and research institutes, primarily by supporting specific projects in the field of the humanities that have a specialist scope and are limited in time. A special concern of the Foundation is the advancement of postgraduates. The Gerda Henkel Foundation concentrates its support on the historical humanities, mainly on history, archaeology, the history of art and other disciplines with a historical component. For a number of years, the Foundation has also increasingly addressed issues of great relevance to contemporary life and the future. The Gerda Henkel Foundation is active both inside and outside Germany.

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