

Workshop at the Chair of Modern History: “Travelogues of the Orient in the Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Centuries”

Date: 27 November 2020

Location: Cisco Webex

This one-day workshop supported by AIS (Academics in Solidarity) of Freie University Berlin and History Institute of Friedrich Schiller University Jena will focus on travelogues that depict Orient in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Across the ‘longest century’ of the Ottoman Empire, German, English, French, American, Arabian and Turkish diplomats, scientists, academics, and soldiers visited the Ottoman lands as a part of Orient and wrote travelogues to capture their impressions of it for multiple reasons. As primary sources, travelogues offer important insights for both historians and other researchers in various fields.

The aim of this workshop is to increase awareness of the benefit of travelogues for history in particular and research more generally. Scholars will come together to explore the innovative ways travelogues could be used to invigorate new research directions and to revise historical paradigms. Most importantly, the workshop seeks to show its moral and academic support for the integration of academics at risk in German and international academic communities. Moreover, the workshop offers a collegial environment for scholarly exchange among German and international scholars. To offer as broad a spectrum for exchange as possible, efforts have been made to strike a balance between the number of presenters and commentators.

We all know that an actual meeting would be preferred but due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the workshop will take place as an online workshop. Restrictions on public events and assemblies, current travel restrictions and not least actual health risks make it necessary to realize this workshop on November 27, 2020 as an online meeting.

Presentations will be in German or in English. The virtual Workshop is free and open to the public but pre-registration is required. For registration and questions please send an email to travelogues.orient@uni-jena.de. We look forward to see you on November 27, 2020 at our Workshop. For more information please visit our [website](#)

Yours Sincerely

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