



**Grand Hotels at the *Fin de Siècle*:**  
global dimensions, local  
experiences

Berlin  
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**09:00 – 09:30: WELCOME AND OPENING**

CMS, TBA

Laura Kolbe, Mary Sparks, Botakoz Kassymbekova

**09:30 – 11:00**

**GRAND HOTELS AND GLOBAL URBAN MODERNITIES**

Habbo Knoch (Stiftung niedersächsische Gedenkstätten; Georg-August-Universität Göttingen)

*Space of Spectacle: Grand hotels and metropolitan modernities in London and New York, 1880-1930*

Kenich Ohashi (Rikkyo University)

*Grand Hotels in Modern Asia: The Japanese cases*

Murat Gül (TOBB University of Economics and Technology)

*Pera Palace Hotel: A social school for modernising Istanbul*

**11:15 – 12:45**

**BUILT IMPERIALISM: HOTELS AS POLITICAL SPACES**

Anthony King (SUNY)

*Imperialism and the Grand Hotel: An Agenda for Further Research*

Mary Sparks (Open University)

*Hotel Central: the Height of Fin-de-Siècle Urban Modernity in Sarajevo*

Jasenka Gudelj (University of Zagreb)

*Grand Hotels around the Kvarner bay: Hotel Architecture between Politics and Leisure in the Austria-Hungary*

**13:00 – 14:30 LUNCH**

**14:30 – 16:00**

**HOTEL AS A SITE FOR BOURGEOIS VALUES AND URBANITY**

Laura Kolbe (University of Helsinki)

*Grand Hotels in Scandinavian Capital Cities: Place, Bourgeois Power and Urban Representation*

Adam Bisno (Johns Hopkins University)

*The Grand Hotel in Imperial Berlin: Space, Class, and Power*

Olga Zinovieva (Moscow State University)

*Grand Hotel Metropol in Moscow: from the Enlightened Bourgeois Elite through the Power of Workers and Peasants*

**19:00 DINNER**

22.08.2013

**9:00 – 10:30**

**TRAVEL, LEISURE AND URBAN DREAMS**

Monica Aresi (Politecnico of Milan)

*International features and local contest. The culture of the Grand Hotel experience in Gardone Riviera on Lake Garda (1883-1914)*

Thomas Martin (Universität des Saarlandes)

*Dreams from 1001 Nights*

Andrea Zanini (University of Genoa)

*Grand Hotel and Elite Tourism in the Italian Riviera (1870s-1910s)*

**11:00 – 12:30**

**GLOBAL URBAN LUXURY INDUSTRY AND METROPOLITANISM**

Alexandre Tessier (Université de Tours)

*The contrasting conception of the Parisian grand hotel trade*

Silke Haps (Dortmund Technical University)

*“Vornehm und behaglich, praktisch und hygienisch“: The hotels Esplanade and Excelsior in Hamburg and Berlin (1906–08) – planned, built and organised by the German building contractor Boswau & Knauer*

Botakoz Kassymbekova (Technical University Berlin)

*Moscow Grand Hotels as a site for generating Trust, Status and Capital?*

**12:30 – 14:30 LUNCH**

**14:30 – 15:30 FINAL DISCUSSION**