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Belief in One Nation, One Language

Mon, November 25, 8:00 to 9:45am, San Francisco Marriott Marquis, Floor: 5, Sierra D

Session Submission Type: Panel

Brief Description

Belief in 'one language – one nation' is a cornerstone of the modern nation-state political system. It is generally understood that this discursive order can be traced back to the European Enlightenment and Romanticism, and particularly to the Herderian language ideology, which spawned the ideas "eine Sprache – ein Volk – ein Staat". In European societies, it has been therefore traditionally believed that languages are 'possessed' by ethnolinguistic groups, whereby the power of a group is reinforced through the processes of language standardization and institutionalization. Bearing in mind that the (standard) national language ideology still prevails in popular and elite conceptions of language all over Europe, in this panel we want to explore diachronic and synchronic challenges which such a belief has posed in front of different ethno-linguistic communities in Central-East European (post)Habsburg lands.

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Linguistics/Language Pedagogy/Translation



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Papers

Belief in Nationhood is Not a Necessary Condition for the Standardization of Languages - *Wayles Browne*, Cornell U



Minority Language Ideology in Habsburg Lands: The Case of Serbian Ethno-confessional Schools - *Marija Mandic*, Institute for Balkan Studies, SASA (Serbia)



Teaching the Language, Learning the Nation: State Language Acquisition in Vojvodina, Serbia - *Krisztina Rácz*, U of Oslo (Norway)



Discussant

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