Call for study scholarship applications

LX Study Week

Mediatisation and Mediality of History in the Modern and Contemporary Era

Trento, 19-21 September 2018

The LX Study Week organized by the Italian-German Historical Institute will be dedicated to the theme of Mediatisation and Mediality of History in the Modern and Contemporary Era. The general frame of reference is the history of communication media, which will be analysed from the specific point of view of mediatisation studies.

The term “mediatisation” here refers to a series of long term historical processes, characterized by a growing permeability of society to conditioning by means of communication, and the phenomena of self-perception that society develops through the media. Within this historiographical framework, the Study Week will investigate through a multidimensional approach the changes in the media in the context of the socio-political and cultural transformations that have typified the early modern and contemporary era. Dealing with the theme of mediatisation from a historical perspective makes it possible to reconstruct the development of the media through all dimensions (economic, technical, cultural, political) by analysing the content, strategies of use, and the effects the media have produced in different historical contexts.

The Italian-German Historical Institute will offer 10 grants to cover board and lodgings expenses for the days of the conference. Travel expenses will be refunded up to a maximum of € 200. Participation to the Study week is open to doctoral and post-doctoral students of any nationality, who have ongoing research projects in the field of the history of media. Successful applicants will have the opportunity to discuss their research in a stimulating context of scientific exchange and with experts in the field.

Applications must be submitted by e-mail within 15 July 2018 to the Secretariat of FBK-ISIG (secreteria.isig@fbk.eu) together with the following documentation:

a) Curriculum Vitae
b) Description of the research project object of discussion (max 3000 keystrokes)
c) Letter of support from a university professor or academic expert in the field.

Presentations may be in the Italian, German, or English languages. Scholarship applicants
are required to attend the study days.

Trento, 20 April 2018

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