



Film screening

War and Peace in the Balkans

Old Parliament hall

Friday, 3 April, 8:00 pm

The screening is a cooperation of the National Historical Museum with the Goethe Institute of Athens and with Anemon Productions.

This documentary presents the dramatic changes in the lives of the inhabitants of the Balkan region in the years of World War I, from 1914-18, from Bosnia and Serbia to Bulgaria, Greece and the Ottoman Empire. It focuses upon the non combatant populations, for whom the war was particularly harsh, a prefiguration of the extremities of World War II. The film is based upon rare footage and pictures from the national archives of the Balkans and from collections in Europe, Australia and the USA. It also contains unpublished material, found through a special cooperation with the Eye Film Institute, the Netherlands. Historians from Greece, the Balkan countries, Turkey and Europe, such as Mark Mazower (University of Columbia), Chris Clark (Cambridge University), Jay Winter (Yale University), Halil Berktaş (Sabanci University) and the writer Misha Glenny («The Balkans»), also participate. The documentary was produced on the occasion of the centenary of World War I, as part of the project War and Peace in the Balkans, which also contains a photography exhibition, an online platform and an educational program for children.

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