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The archaeologist and linguist Adalbert Bezenberger (1851-1922).

Scientific conference Berlin, 11-13 October 2022

Adalbert Bezenberger (1851-1922) is one of the most impressive scientists of the end of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th century. A comparative linguist by education, Bezenberger was appointed professor of Sanskrit at the Königsberg "Albertus Universität" in 1879. Through his research on the Baltic languages and the establishment of Baltic Studies as a scientific discipline, he earned lasting merits in the following decades. In addition, he is regarded as an early 'state archaeologist' who held the post of director of the renowned Prussia Museum in Königsberg and the chairmanship of the well established "Altertumsgesellschaft Prussia" for many years.

Bezenberger was always practically active in both disciplines: He conducted extensive linguistic field research and led numerous excavations of his own in the region. Furthermore, he served several times as vice-rector and rector of the University of Königsberg and was member of a number of national and international scientific societies. Adalbert Bezenberger died on 31 October 1922 at the age of 71 and was buried in Königsberg a few days later.

To honour the 100th anniversary of his death, the "Akademie der Wissenschaften und der Literatur Mainz", represented by its projects "Forschungskontinuität und Kontinuitätsforschung (FKKF)" and "Digitales Familiennamenwörterbuch Deutschlands (DFD)", is organising an international scientific conference in Berlin from **11-13 October 2022**. It is conducted in cooperation with the federal state of Rhineland-Palatinate, the Lithuanian Embassy, the "PRUSSIA, Gesellschaft für Geschichte, Archäologie und Landeskunde Ost- und Westpreußens e.V. " and the "Gesellschaft für Baltische Studien e.V." In a total of 20 contributions by colleagues from Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and other countries, Adalbert Bezenberger's private and professional life and academic achievements will be comprehensively reviewed and the impulses he gave to the respective disciplines will be followed up.

The preliminary conference programme and information on participation and registration can be found on the following pages. The registration deadline is **15 September 2022**.

Heidemarie Eilbracht and Christiane Schiller
on behalf of the organisers

Programme schedule

Tuesday, 11 October 2022

Arrival | 18:00 Opening of the conference with an evening reception

Location: Botschaft der Republik Litauen, Charitéstr. 9, 10117 Berlin

Wednesday, 12 October 2022

9:00-17:00 Archaeological and Linguistic Talks

Location: Landesvertretung Rheinland-Pfalz, In den Ministergärten 6, 10117 Berlin

Thursday, 13 October 2022

9:00-17:00 Archaeological and Linguistic Talks

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End of the conference

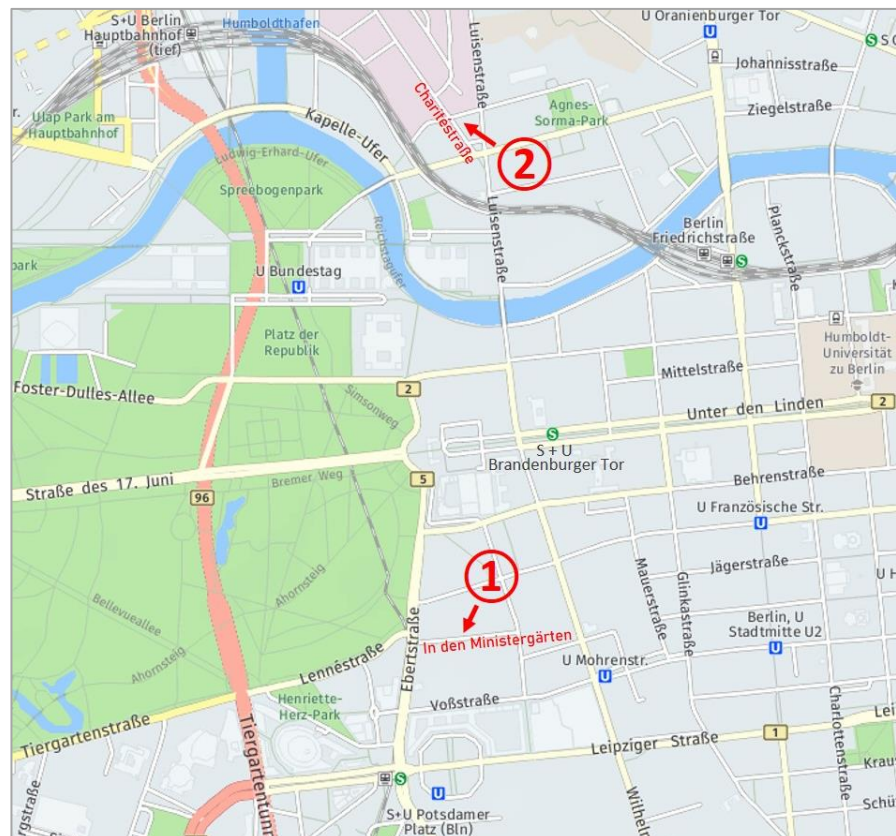
Locations

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of Rhineland-
Palatinate,
In den Ministergärten
6, 10117 Berlin

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Embassy of the
Republic of Lithuania,
Charitéstr. 9,
10117 Berlin



Programme

Wednesday, 12 October 2022

9:00-13:00 Welcome | Archaeological and Linguistic Talks

- 1) Hans-Jörg Froese (Werder/Havel) and Heino Neumayer (Berlin): *Adalbert Bezenberger und sein Wirken für die Altertumsgesellschaft Prussia*
- 2) Nijole Strakauskaitė (Klaipėda): *Adalbert Bezenberger and Prussian Lithuania: Scholar and Protector of Cultural Tradition*
- 3) Eugen Hill (Köln): *Adalbert Bezenberger und die vergleichende Grammatik der baltischen Sprachen*
- 4) Bonifacas Stundžia (Vilnius): *Adalbert Bezenberger's Contribution to Baltic Accentology*
- 5) Daniel Petit (Paris): *Das Reflexivpronomen im Baltischen: der Beitrag von Adalbert Bezenberger*

14:00-17:00 Archaeological and Linguistic Talks

- 6) Tomas Rimkus (Schleswig/Klaipėda): *Continuing where Bezenberger left – Final Palaeolithic studies at Aukštumala Highmoor (Augstumaller Moor) in coastal Lithuania*
- 7) Jarosław Sobieraj (Olsztyn): *Adalbert Bezenberger's research on the early prehistory of East Prussia*
- 8) Žavinta Sidabraitė (Vilnius): *Adalbert Bezenberger as a Historian of Lithuanian Literature: Accents and Reception*
- 9) Helmut Schaller (Marburg): *Adalbert Bezenberger und die slawischen Sprachen und Literaturen*
- 10) Dalia Kiseliūnaitė (Klaipėda/Vilnius): *Bezenbergers Beitrag für das Deutsche Lautarchiv*

Thursday, 13 October 2022

9:00-13:00 Archaeological and Linguistic Talks

- 1) Mirosław J. Hoffmann (Olsztyn): *Adalbert Bezenberger und seine archäologischen Untersuchungen am Beispiel der früheisenzeitlichen Siedlung „Jungfernberg“ in Täberlack, Kr. Angerburg (Ostpreussen)*
- 2) Rasa Banytė-Rowell (Vilnius): *A. Bezenberger's excavations of Schernen/Šernai Cemetery in Kr. Memel (Klaipėda): possibilities and results of analysis of his publication*

Continuation Thursday, 13 October 2022

- 3) Audronė Bliujienė (Klaipėda) and Jurga Bagdzevičienė (Vilnius): *Interdisciplinary research by Adalbert Bezenberger*
- 4) Pietro U. Dini (Pisa): *Bezenberger und das Altpreußische*
- 5) Lidija Leikuma (Riga): *Adalbert Bezenberger und die lettische Dialektologie*
- 6) Vilma Zubaitienė (Vilnius): *Adalbert Bezenbergers Forschungen zur litauischen Lexikologie und ihre Rezeption in den lexikographischen Arbeiten von Kazimieras Būga*

14:00-17:00 Archaeological and Linguistic Talks

- 7) Roman Shiroukhov (Schleswig), Cecilia Hergheligi (Berlin) and John Meadows (Schleswig): *Old data – new results. AMS 14C dating of Ramutten-Jahn cemetery samples from Prussia-Sammlung (East Prussia/MVF Berlin)*
- 8) Benjamin Naujoks (Köln): *Die Entstehung der baltischen Philologie in ihrem Kontext. Historische Diskurse und Perspektiven zwischen Orientalismus, otherness und nation building*
- 9) Susanne Grunwald (Mainz): *Wenn Philologen ausgraben. Adalbert Bezenbergers Beitrag zur archäologischen Burgwallforschung um 1900*
- 10) Markus Falk (Berlin): *„Diese bezeichne ich mit U, jenes mit U¹“ – Bezenbergers Forschungen zu den altlitauischen Urkunden*

Summary | Closing words | End of the conference

Participation and registration

We are very pleased about your interest in the conference. Unfortunately, the capacity at the conference location is limited. Therefore, we kindly ask you to send us an informal written registration by email. You will then receive confirmation of your participation in due course.

Please send a message with your name, institution or place of residence to one of the two organisers by **15 September 2022**.

A conference fee will not be charged.

General information

Unfortunately, we cannot predict at this time how the health situation related to coronavirus will develop. We will inform you in time about the conditions and precautionary measures during the conference.

Organisation

If you have any questions, please contact the organisers at any time:

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