

## ABSTRACTS

### A “HISTORIAN OF NO COMPROMISE”? ON THE MINDSET OF MEDIEVALIST HEINZ ZATSCHEK (1901-1965) AND HIS GENERATION

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The author of the present article applies to representatives of the humanities, particularly to historians, the terminology of “wartime youth generation” (Kriegsjugendgeneration) and “generation of no compromise” (Generation des Unbedingten), which was introduced into recent history research by Ulrich Herbert and Michael Wildt with regard to functionaries of the Nazi regime. In the case of medievalist Heinz Zatschek (1901-1965), a professor at Prague and Vienna universities, he succeeds in demonstrating how Zatschek became, not least because of certain experiences common to his generation, an “historian of no compromise”. The article also draws attention to certain preconditions for this development. Thus, Zatschek became increasingly politically-minded and, in the end, an ardent national socialist. Also shown is how this process showed on Zatschek’s research results, which were no longer consistent with standards of serious science. The author also explains what kind of political networks and networks of fellow scholars supported Zatschek in his activities as “historian of no compromise”.