

Call for Papers

Business History in Austria, Germany and Italy

AGI-Symposium

Thursday, April 1st 2027
Deutsche Handelskammer in Österreich, Schwarzenbergplatz 5 Top 3/1, A-1030 Vienna

Friday, April 2nd 2027
Vereinigung der Österreichischen Industrie, Schwarzenbergplatz V, A-1030 Vienna

For the second time, a regional conference will invite the three countries Austria, Germany and Italy (AGI) to a thematic exchange in the field of business history. The format envisages three to four sections, which will take place one after the other and not in parallel, so that all participants can hear all the presentations. Thematically, this symposium is focused on specific topics of this region.

The conference will comprehend on the current state and current trends in business history research in Austria, Germany and Italy. Comparative aspects between these countries form an essential component in this context.

Submissions on the following topics, among others, are welcome:

I. Theoretical and methodological approaches

II. Thematic topics include

- Entrepreneurship and dictatorship
- Business history and tourism
- Business history and the Marshall Plan
- State influence on entrepreneurial activities and operational processes
- Economic transformations after the Second World War

III. Archival Collections

We explicitly invite colleagues from business archives to present their collections on one of the above mentioned topics to encourage researchers as well as young scholars to present their work. Applications, consisting of an abstract and CV, should be sent by November 16, 2026 at the latest to:

ahschneider@unternehmensgeschichte.de.

The organizers will decide on participation by the end of November 2026 and inform all participants.

For any upcoming questions please contact:

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We are very much looking forward to receiving your proposals. Please include beside your abstract a short CV.



