**Workshop Imperial Power**

Venue: Kőszeg IASK, Bibó Room

9730 Kőszeg Chernel utca 14   
Date: 22nd May 2024

Organisation: Csaba Olay (ELTE-IASK)

**Programme**

**12.00 – 12.15**Opening remarks

**12.15 – 12.40 Zoltán Szenes** **(University of Public Service)**

Role of Military Force in Great-Power Competition

**12.40 – 13.05 Tamás Magyarics (ELTE)**

'What have the Romans ever done for us?' The dilemmas of American global hegemony

**13.05 – 13.30 László Z. Karvalics (IASK)**

Auxiliary master contexts to the History of Empires: control structure, social macroevolution, symbiogenesis

**13.30 – 14.00 Discussion**

**14.00 – 15.00 Lunch break**

**15.00 – 15.25 Paul Ertl (Landesverteidigungsakademie Wien)**  
Dealing with hegemonic order: A progressus-theoretical approach to fundamental anthropology

**15.25 – 15.50 Tamás Székely (IASK)**Prison of Folks or Guardian of Peoples? The Late Habsburg Security Experiment in Central Europe

**15.50 – 16.15 Csaba Olay (ELTE-IASK)**

Questions and Prospects

**16.15 – 16.45 Discussion**

The workshop aims to explore various perspectives on the role of hegemonic or imperial actors in the post-Cold War era. Its working hypothesis posits that hegemonic or imperial actors establish a form of order within their spheres of influence that ensures a certain level of stability in the respective regions. Overlooking these contributions leads to a narrow perception of "great powers" within the volatile landscape of international security and ultimately results in a significant underestimation of the benefits provided by hegemonic or imperial actors. The workshop is designed to explore a balanced view of how hegemonic or imperial actors might contribute to the international order, primarily by ensuring the provision of common goods and security.