

## **'Courts and Capitals 1815–1914 (V)'**

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The century before the Great War, far from being a period of decline for monarchies, witnessed a resurgence of court life around the world. In the decades following the defeat of Napoleon, new monarchies appeared, while long-established dynasties sought to consolidate their power. In Europe and beyond, monarchies reshaped the cities in which power was concentrated: new, larger palaces were constructed; royal avenues, squares and parks were created; public ceremonies reached levels of elaboration and participation previously unknown.

'Courts and Capitals 1815–1914 (V)' seeks to shed fresh light on the complex relationship between royal courts and capital cities in the long 19th century. Previous conferences in this series have examined cities including Paris, Vienna, Berlin, Dresden, Munich, Rome, Tehran, New Delhi, Bangkok, Alexandria, Athens, Brussels, Sofia and Bucharest. Proposals are invited for papers on new aspects of this subject and, in particular, on cities not yet explored, such as Cairo, Saint Petersburg, Naples, Belgrade, Lisbon, Addis Ababa and the Scandinavian capitals.

Proceedings of this conference will be published in *The Court Historian*, the journal of the Society for Court Studies. The proceedings of previous conferences can be seen by searching for 'Courts and Capitals' at <http://www.courtstudies.org/past-conferences.htm>.

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