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Sažetak:

This lecture examines occupied Southeastern Europe during the First World War as a crucial arena of transimperial rivalry between the Habsburg Monarchy, Bulgaria, and the Ottoman Empire. It argues that, between 1916 and 1918, alliance warfare within the Central Powers shifted from a struggle over territory to a struggle over military-age men. As wartime pressures intensified, Habsburg, Bulgarian, and Ottoman practices of occupation, recruitment, extraction, and home-front governance converged in the wider post-Ottoman borderlands that had passed to different states between 1878 and 1912. The lecture's central contribution is to show that Ottoman informal empire—exercised through consular intervention, consessional authority, cross-border recruitment, and appeals to the caliphate—operated not outside the alliance, but within it, unsettling Habsburg and Bulgarian occupation regimes and exposing competing visions of sovereignty among supposed allies. Drawing on archival sources and scholarly traditions from Austria, Germany, Serbia, Bulgaria, Turkey, Albania, and Switzerland, the lecture traces how imperial decision-makers, administrators, religious leaders, notables, veterans, and recruits negotiated rival claims over military service. It repositions Southeastern Europe as a central theater of wartime sovereignty, mobilization, and imperial survival during the First World War.