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Mershon Center Conference

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Mershon Center
1501 Neil Avenue
Room 120**

The major European powers, Austria-Hungary, Britain, France, Germany, Italy, and Russia, developed war plans in the years prior to the August 1914 outbreak. These plans, all of them, proved to be seriously flawed. Six experts will present their analyses of the planning processes and the pathologies involved.

March 5, 2005

9am – 4pm

Lunch will be provided to those who RSVP by March 1 to Beth Russell, russell.16@osu.edu.

March 6, 2005

9am- 12 p.m.

Co-coordinators:

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Invited Participants:

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Keith Neilson, *Royal Military College of Canada*

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