Eagle Glassheim on "Cleaning Czechoslovakia’s Border Lands"


Eagle Glassheim received his PhD in history from Columbia University in 2000. His first book, Noble Nationalists: The Transformation of the Bohemian Aristocracy (Harvard University Press, 2005), examines the conflicted and ultimately unsuccessful efforts of nobles to navigate the nationalization of the political and social order in the Bohemian lands from the 1880s to the 1940s. He teaches central European history and a survey on global environmental history. Glassheim is currently writing a book titled “Cleansing the Czechoslovak Borderlands, 1940s to the 1990s.” Though his project focuses most broadly on the aftermath of forced migration, it has some central environmental historical components. Among other things, the book looks at discourses relating the health of natural and social environments, connections between forced migration and environmental decline, and ecological metaphors in debates surrounding the post-war Czechoslovak borderlands.

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