

We cordially invite you to the Aperitív seminar organized by the Institute of History, SAV, v.v.i.

on Thursday, **April 24, 2025 at 10:30 a.m**. in the study room of the Central Library of the SAS, Klemensova 19 (ground floor)

The presentation will be given by

## Ladislav Vörös

on the topic

## A Typical Hungarian Party? The Slovak National Party in Hungary's Political System: Decision-Making, Mobilization Strategies and Elections

The pre-1918 Slovak National Party (SNS) is often seen as a marginalized representative of the Slovak national movement, advocating for emancipation under hostile conditions. Excluded from the Kingdom of Hungary's political structures, its members faced surveillance, persecution, and delegitimization within Hungarian-Magyar nationalist discourse. These adversities partly explain the party's limited electoral success and rural support. This presentation re-examines the SNS's activism, focusing on strategies to mobilize rural voters. Politically socialized in Hungarian culture, SNS leaders understood its rules, making calculated decisions despite exclusion. By analyzing the SNS's decision-making, mobilization, and communication, this presentation offers insights into its struggle for votes and supporters.

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## We look forward to meeting you!