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Historical Archive on Tourism (HAT) "Willy Scharnow"

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The HAT gathers historical material for research and teaching, and is also open to media, tourism and exhibition industry. **The use is currently only possible by appointment.**

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The HAT is dedicated to the collection of historical materials for interdisciplinary, cultural studies are particularly relevant to the travel and tourism research is important. Thus it takes on a project by Prof. Robert Glücksmann in 1929 in Berlin, the world's first scientific research institute for tourism, along with an archive that was created.

Overall, the collection includes about a half kilometers of shelving. The HAT is the largest archival collection in Europe of this type represents major part of making brochures and other promotional materials from - Certificates of mass culture, the little is collected elsewhere. Furthermore, in a wealth of books: guidebooks, like Baedeker, scientific studies, client countries, belles lettres, travel reports, and statistics, eg the complete "travel analysis", more than 10,000 titles are currently acquired. In addition an extensive collection of journals of over 2,000 volumes to about one hundred meters of shelf space. Well as posters and cards are collected. The total number of printed pieces are well over 70,000. Arrival of other, mostly untapped materials, such as private photo albums, tapes, videos, bundles and files.

The temporal focus is in the 19 and 20 Century, it is also found travel literature since 17 Century. The geographical focus is on German central Europe, the collection includes all the continents, however, for some areas it may also be useful to the Berlin regional history.

The preparation of the book collection is based on the commodity or location principle (pertinence); Guide series are set connected (see the list of the signatures). The journal holdings (about two hundred periodicals) comprises about a hundred meters of shelf space and is almost completely covered in the main database, the book inventory currently about two-thirds. The database can be searched only in the archive; parts of it can be found here on the archive page, however. Posters and maps are included in special files. The extensive collection prospectus is prepared in accordance with well-ordered countries signatures, but not individually recorded with computer. Added some special and untapped resources; are not opened up a few thousand printed documents (books, cards and posters) and large parts or records, particularly from the estate of the former Director-DZT Schwarzenstein.

The stocks are evaluated mainly by scientists from home and abroad, in addition there are journalists, tourism and students, see the materials or provide written questions. Working in the HAT is unusually straightforward. A loan for research and research purposes is not possible. Photocopies are also grounds for continuance not possible, we recommend you bring a suitable **camera**, you can use to easily store archives for the evaluation. An exception to the prohibition is made for loan exhibitions. so regularly records for exhibitions of the great German museums made available.

Sources / Donators:

Founded in 1986/7, and from 1998 to 2001 radically restructured, the archives holds major private collections of Frederic Burger, Franz F. Schwarzenstein and Walter Kahn. The structure of the stocks was made possible by special funds of the Free University Berlin, and through financial donations and donations of the following companies or institutions: ITS International Tourist Services (Rewe), BFR Berlin Flight ring; of German travel agency, Travel Service v. Maur, publisher FVW International, European travel insurance, ADAC, DRV German Travel Association, Baedeker archive, Berghof Research Centre, Tourist Office Berlin Senate, alliance of independent travel company, Studienkreis für Tourismus etc.; were added donations of many individuals. See the - however incomplete - donor list on the archive page. The scientific development and maintenance of the stock was made possible by a project of the Volkswagen Foundation and then sponsored by the Willy Scharnow Foundation.

Notice:

The FU has stopped the tourism training at the institute. The HAT is planned to be preserved. However, on the actual organizational structure is still no decision taken. Until further notice, therefore, the archive access is limited. Searching for scientific purposes are free, but please understand if it should come due to limited staff capacity to bottlenecks in the user support.

The Archive is affiliated with the working group Tourism History, its symposia organized primarily in the interest of interdisciplinary exchange.

On the ending of the master's program at the Institute, see the article by Kristiane Klemm in Voyage in 8 / 2009.

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