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In the TransCorr, Mária Pakucs will investigate the changes of political vocabulary in the early modern polity of Transylvania, the political and administrative discourse on governance, and the idea of “corruption” and “abuse” at local levels. Moreover, she will trace the career and activity of a little-known governor of Transylvania, Ladislaus Bánffy in a micro-historical approach.

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