## 16:00-17:00 h - Panel 5: Shifting Structures and Alternative Imaginings

Chair: Neil Gregor (University of Southampton)

Carl Bethke (Universität Tübingen)

From "Assimilation" to "Volksdeutsche": Meaning and consequences of the Trianon Treaty for the Swabians in Vojvodina (Yugoslavia)

Jürgen Buchenau (University of North Carolina at Charlotte)

A Clash Between Nationalisms: Germans and the Mexican Revolution, 1910-1945

#### **Friday, 12 July 2013**

## 9:30-10:30 h - Panel 6: Germanness Across Borders

Chair: Hannes Grandits (Humboldt Universität Berlin)

Nicholas Sveholm (University of Indiana) Germanness as Sanctuary: Children's Erholungsreisen to Transylvania and the Banat, 1917-1924

H. Glenn Penny (University of Iowa) Nodal Points: German Schools in Latin America, 1880-1932

10:30-11:00 h - Coffee Break

## 11:00-12:30 h - Roundtable with all Participants

Chairs: H. Glenn Penny and Stefan Rinke

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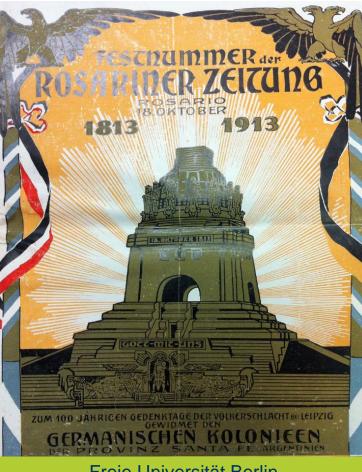






# Rethinking the Auslandsdeutsche:

### **Respatializing Historical Narrative**



Freie Universität Berlin Institute for Latin American Studies (LAI) 10 – 12 July 2013 A fluid notion of the German nation has a long history. It was well established by the end of the eighteenth century, and it continued to inform the actions of a diverse range of Germans well into the twentieth. Indeed, as Europe pressed outward with its trade networks and colonial efforts during the age of empire and industry, Germans were spread across much of the globe. There is little doubt that the cultural notion of the German nation that many *Auslandsdeutsche* took with them was much less bounded by geography than it is today. Nor is there any doubt that it was inclusive enough to accommodate multiple levels of distinction, hybridity, and state affiliations.

The point of this meeting is not simply to find a way to write Germans outside the national borders back into German history. Instead, the goal of this meeting is to move towards a new approach to narrating German histories. It is less bounded by political borders and chronologies, and more willing to recognize that German histories unfolded in a wide variety of different regimes and spaces, taking shape around German communities that lived inside small and large political entities and well beyond the confines of territories that we would recognize as German on a map.

#### **Program**

Wednesday, 10 July 2013

**14:30-15:00 h** – Welcome Reception

**15:00-15:30 h** – Introductory Remarks *H. Glenn Penny (University of Iowa)* Stefan Rinke (Freie Universität Berlin)

**15:30-16:30 h** – Opening Lecture David Blackbourn (Vanderbilt University) Germany in the World, 1880-1930

16:30-17:00 h - Coffee Break

## 17:00-18:30 h – Panel 1: Some Politics of Being German

Chair: Sebastian Conrad (Freie Universität Berlin)

Ursula Lehmkuhl (Universität Trier)

Narrative tropes as a transatlantic bonding instrument: Political Liberalism and the "Revolutionsnarrativ" in the letters of the German Bohn family, 1852 to 2005

Ruth Wittlinger (Durham University)
Germans in the post-Soviet space: Current
Challenges and Theoretical Perspectives

Philippa Söldenwagner (Technische Universität Braunschweig)

Whose colony is it anyway? The ambivalent relationship between colonial authorities and German settlers in German East Africa before World War I

#### Thursday, 11 July 2013

9:00-10:30 h - Panel 2: Ethnic Discourses: Some Other Politics of being German

Chair: Max Paul Friedman (American University, Washington D. C.)

Malte Fuhrmann (Orient-Institut Istanbul)
"To Raise a German Progeny in the Orient": Auslandsdeutsche in Ottoman Polyethnic Cities

Hoi-eun Kim (Texas A&M University)
Restless Souls: German Expatriates and the Construction of Germanness in Modern Japan

Frederik Schulze (Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster)

On the real, unreal, and Brazilianized Germans: Being "German" in Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, circa 1900 10:30-11:00 h - Coffee Break

11:00-12:30 h - Panel 3: Places, Spaces, and the search for *Heimat* 

Chair: Celia Applegate (Vanderbilt University)

Lize Kriel (University of Pretoria)

Heimat in the veld? German South African imaginings of women and home

Peter Monteath (Flinders University)
Australian Heimat? The Invention of Germanys in Nineteenth-Century South Australia

Philipp Nielsen (Max Plank Institute for Human Development Berlin)

How the Search for the German Heimat Turned into a Way to Escape it: Jewish Agricultural Ventures in Germany and Latin America between 1900 and 1945.

12:30-14:30 h - Lunch Break

14:30-15:30 h – Panel 4: Continuities and Ruptures in the age of World War

Chair: Maiken Umbach (University of Nottingham)

Stefan Rinke (Freie Universität Berlin)
Burgfrieden overseas? German communities in
South America during the First World War

Daniel Steinbach (Trinity College Dublin and University of Exeter)

Colonials in Conflict: Intersections of National Identity and European Solidarity in German East Africa during the First World War

15:30-16:00 h - Coffee Break