2009 FRITZ STERN DISSERTATION PRIZES PRESENTED AT THE 18TH ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM OF THE FRIENDS OF THE GHI

Every year the Fritz Stern Dissertation Prize honors the two best dissertations in German history completed at a North American university. The 2009 Stern Prizes were awarded to Alison Clark Efford (Marquette University) and Michael Meng (Davidson College). The award ceremony took place at the 18th Annual Symposium of the Friends of the GHI on November 13, 2009, which was chaired by David Blackbourn (Harvard University), president of the Friends of the GHI. Efford received the prize for her dissertation “New Citizens: German Immigrants, African Americans, and the Reconstruction of Citizenship, 1865-1877” (Ohio State University, 2008). Meng was honored for his dissertation “Shattered Spaces: Encountering Jewish Ruins in Postwar Central Europe” (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2008). The prize selection committee was composed of Mary Linde mann (University of Miami), Brian Vick (Emory University), and Jonathan Zatlin (committee chair; Boston University). Both Efford and Meng provide overviews of their dissertation research in their articles in the “Features” section of this Bulletin. For a more detailed event report and the committee’s prize citations, please check the GHI website at www.ghi-dc.org/eventhistory.

2009 HELMUT SCHMIDT PRIZE FOR GERMAN-AMERICAN ECONOMIC HISTORY

The 2009 Helmut Schmidt Prize for German-American Economic History was awarded to Richard H. Tilly (Professor Emeritus, University of Münster) at a ceremony at the GHI on December 10, 2009. After introductory remarks by Hartmut Berghoff (GHI Director) and Matthias Sonn (Head, Economics and Science Dept., German Embassy), Volker Berghahn (Columbia University) delivered the laudatio. Tilly then delivered a lecture on “Banking Crises in Three Countries: An Historical and Comparative Perspective,” published in the “Features” section of this Bulletin. The Schmidt prize is awarded every two years by the GHI and the Zeit Foundation Ebelin and Gerd Bucerius. Previous laureates include Harold James (Princeton University) and Volker Berghahn (Columbia University). Excerpts from Volker Berghahn’s laudatio follow:

Born in Chicago in 1932, Richard Tilly went to the University of Wisconsin from which he graduated with a B.A. in History in 1955, before doing
his military service in West Germany. Having seen the country and also learned the language, he evidently liked it so much that by 1961 he was doing research there on a fellowship from the Social Science Research Council. He turned this research into a dissertation that he submitted for his Ph.D., again at Madison, Wisconsin, in the Department of Economics in 1964. Subsequently, he taught at the University of Michigan and at Yale University until he was called, in 1966, to a full professorship and chair in Economic and Social History at the University of Münster in Westphalia, where he taught until his retirement in 1998.

Early German postwar economic and social history and business history, exceptions always granted, had not yet made the connection with the kind of historiography that Richard Tilly had been trained in. However, when he settled in Münster in the mid-1960s, a new generation had emerged that was invested in the modernization of research and teaching in West Germany. Some of his colleagues, such as Wolfram Fischer, had been to the United States to study the practices and methods of economic history over there, of which Wisconsin and Michigan had become major centers. These shifts will have made it easier for Richard Tilly to connect with like-minded scholars such as Fischer and led him to expand the work he had done for his dissertation on “Financial Institutions and Industry in the Rhineland” in the nineteenth century into larger questions about both industrial growth and finance in the period of early industrialization in Central Europe at large.

Tilly wrote both in English and German, publishing an article in the prestigious *Journal of Economic History* with the telling title “The Political Economy of Public Finance and the Industrialization of Prussia, 1815-1866.” His inaugural lecture at Münster was on “Problems of Nationalism in German Economic History” and broached the question of the efforts of Central European industry and business to emancipate itself from the hegemonic weight that Britain exerted in the nineteenth century. Time and again, Richard Tilly also returned to his work on finance and banking, editing, for example, such important books as *Bankkrisen in Mitteleuropa im 19. und 20. Jahrhundert*.

Another aspect of his wide-ranging oeuvre is that Richard Tilly did not stay put in the nineteenth century. Rather, his writings range from the beginnings of industrialization all the way to the present, as reflected in a volume published with Paul Welfens on *50 Years of EU Economic Dynamics*. Nor was he merely interested in the kind of history that informed second-generation West German, but also Anglo-American research into social and economic developments in the First Industrial
Revolution. He also became a constant mediator of approaches that had meanwhile been developed in the United States. There economic and business historians had taken up rigorous statistical and mathematical tools of analysis that economists were using for their more contemporary research. In an attempt to introduce these approaches to West Germany, Richard Tilly organized a major conference in the 1980s whose proceedings were subsequently published under the title *Contributions to a Quantitative Comparative Business History*. Finally, and always more broadly interested in the societal context of modernity, he co-authored with his brother Charles and his sister-in-law Louise Tilly the influential volume *Rebellious Century, 1830-1930*, which raised fundamental questions about the dynamics of politics, economics, and society in the age of momentous technological and democratic change.

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**ENDOWMENT OF A GERALD D. FELDMAN MEMORIAL LECTURE**

The Friends of the GHI have begun a fund-raising campaign to establish an endowment for an annual lecture in memory of the late Gerald D. Feldman to commemorate his contributions to the study of modern German history and to the work of the German Historical Institute. The campaign is off to a promising start with significant contributions from friends and colleagues. Although the fund is still significantly short of its target, the first Gerald D. Feldman Memorial Lecture will be delivered on April 29, 2010, by Jürgen Kocka.

The Friends of the GHI would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the fund as of March 8, 2010.

Donations over $5,000: Peter Baldwin, Paul Foreman.


If you have not yet contributed, please consider doing so. Donations are tax-deductible under U.S. tax law. Checks should be made out to the Friends of the German Historical Institute (Memo: Donation Feldman Lecture) and sent to the Friends of the GHI, 1607 New Hampshire Avenue NW, Washington DC 20009-2562. Those who are taxed in Germany can make a bank transfer to: Deutsches Historisches Institut Washington, Verwendungszweck: Spende Friends GHI Washington Feldman Lecture, Konto-Nr.: 0233 363 600, Dresdner Bank AG, Bankleitzahl: 370 800 40. Contributors will receive a statement for the tax authorities.

David Blackbourn, President of the Friends of the GHI

NEW PUBLICATIONS BY GHI RESEARCH FELLOWS

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Christina Lubinski. Mikropolitik und flexible Spezialisierung: Das Beispiel der mechanischen Werkstätten der Handelsgesellschaft


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“The Culture of Captivity: German Prisoners, British Captors, and Manhood in the Great War, 1914–1920”

Postdoctoral Fellowships

Stephannie Leitch, Florida State University
“Flattening Out the World: Planarity in Early Modern Visual Culture”

Robert Sala, Universität Erfurt
“Wissenschaftliche Paradigmen und berufliche Praxis in den deutschen und amerikanischen Sozialwissenschaften nach dem Ersten Weltkrieg (1918-1933)”

Doctoral Fellowships

Lucie-Patrizia Arndt, Ruhr Universität Bochum
“Die ‘German Community’ von Washington, D.C., 1840-1880”
Daniel Bessner, Duke University

Jeremy Best, University of Maryland, College Park
“Ambiguous Agents of Empire: German Missionaries and Imperial Politics, 1860–1919”

Johanna Brumberg, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
“Die Babyboomer: Generationelles Argument und gesellschaftliches Ordnungsmuster”

Stefan Hübner, Universität Bremen
“The Asian Games (1913–1978): Sport and Media Orchestration between Transnational Experience and Representations of the Nation”

Christian Pinnen, University of Southern Mississippi
“Slavery and Empire: The Development of Slavery in the Natchez District, 1720–1820”

Jennifer Rodgers, University of Pennsylvania

Eleonora Rohland, Kulturwissenschaftliches Institut Essen
“Hurrikane in den USA 1900–2005: Anpassung durch Erinnerung?”

Christian Schmidt-Rost, Freie Universität Berlin
“Jazz in der DDR und der VR Polen: Verflechtungen und Vergleich”

Patricia Wiegmann, Universität Erfurt
“People on the Move: Migration, Identifikation und Emanzipation im atlantischen Raum, 1906–1939”

GHI FELLOWSHIPS AND INTERNSHIPS

GHI Doctoral and Postdoctoral Fellowships

The GHI awards short-term fellowships to German and American doctoral students as well as postdoctoral scholars in the fields of German history, the history of German-American relations, and the history of the roles of Germany and the United States in international relations. The fellowships are also available to German doctoral students and postdoctoral scholars in the field of American history. The fellowships are usually granted for periods of one to
six months but, depending on the funds available, can be extended by one or more months. The research projects must draw upon primary sources located in the United States. The GHI also offers a number of other doctoral and postdoctoral fellowships with more specific profiles. For further information and current application deadlines, please check our web site at www.ghi-dc.org/fellowships.

GHI Internships

The GHI Internship Program gives German and American students of history, political science, and library studies an opportunity to gain experience at a scholarly research institute. Interns assist individual research projects, work for the library, take part in the preparation and hosting of conferences, and help with our publications. They receive a small stipend. The program is very flexible in the sense that the GHI tries to accommodate the interns’ interests, abilities, and goals. A two-month minimum stay is required; a three-month stay is preferred. There is a rolling review of applications, but applicants interested in coming to Washington in 2011 are encouraged to submit their application by July 2010. For further information, please check our web site at www.ghi-dc.org/internships.

GHI RESEARCH SEMINAR, FALL 2009

September 17  Dagmar Herzog (City University of New York)  
Sexual Politics and Cultures in Post-Reunification  
Germany

September 23  Volker Barth (Universität zu Köln)  
WeltNachrichtenordnung: Strukturen und  
Bedingungen internationaler Kommunikation,  
1859–1934

October 26  Hartmut Berghoff (GHI), Jessica Csoma (GHI),  
Insa Kummer (GHI)  
Immigrant Entrepreneurship: The German-American  
Business Biography, 1720 to the Present

November 4  Adam Seipp (Texas A&M University)  
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OTHER GHI-SPONSORED EVENTS, SUMMER/FALL 2009

Reports on the following events can be accessed online at: www.ghi-dc.org/eventhistory. The list does not include the Spring and Fall Lecture Series, the Research and Doctoral Seminars (all listed separately), lectures published in the Bulletin, or conferences reported on in the "Conference Reports" section.

June 25–26 Immigrant Entrepreneurship: The German-American Business Biography, 1720 to the Present
Workshop at the GHI

September 16 Why Write a Book? From Lived Experience to the Written Word in Early Modern Europe
Lecture by Pamela H. Smith, Columbia University
Grolier Club, New York (NY)

September 23 Yes, We Can! Political Rhetoric in the U.S. and German Elections
Panel Discussion at the Goethe-Institut Washington

September 24 A Culture of Decline? Politics, Economy, and Social Life in East Germany
Panel Discussion at Johns Hopkins
University SAIS, jointly organized by AICGS and GHI

Book presentation at the Thomas Jefferson Building, Library of Congress, co-sponsored by the GHI and the John W. Kluge Center of the Library of Congress

November 13 Eighteenth Annual Symposium of the Friends of the German Historical Institute: Award of the Fritz Stern Dissertation Prize
Symposium at the GHI

December 2 The Strained Alliance: U.S.-European Relations from Nixon to Carter
Book Presentation at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, co-sponsored by the GHI
December 4  The Birth of the Risk Economy: A Cultural and Institutional History of Futures Trading, 1880s-1990s
Speaker: Alexander Engel (Georg-August University Göttingen) In cooperation with the Washington Area Economic History Seminar (WAEHS) at American University
GHI LECTURE SERIES, SPRING 2010
HISTORY OF GLOBALIZATION–GLOBALIZATION IN HISTORY

Today, everyone is convinced that globalization is influencing our lives, but it seems difficult to answer questions about when globalization began, how it happened, and how it has changed over time. At least as complex as the phenomenon of globalization itself are the analytical perspectives scholars have developed to explore it. One can observe globalization processes in the economy, in migration patterns, in cultural trends, and in historiography, to name just a few of them. The lecture series History of Globalization–Globalization in History aims to bring together some of these perspectives in an effort to improve our understanding of the underlying currents and the effects of globalization, and to help us grasp the historical meaning of different phases of globalization over time.

April 15  The World Historical in China’s Twentieth Century: Perspectives on Globalization and Globality
Rebecca E. Karl (New York University)

May 6  Critical Junctures of Globalization: Conceptualization and Examples
Matthias Middell (University of Leipzig)

May 20  Population, Food, and Health: Global Problems in the Twentieth Century
Alison Bashford (University of Sydney/ Harvard University)

June 10  Multinationals and Globalization: Engines of Growth, or Drivers of Inequality?
Geoffrey Jones (Harvard Business School)
GHI CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2010

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January 7–10 Immigrant Entrepreneurship in History: Concepts and Case Studies
GHI-sponsored Panel at the Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association

February 5–6 Cultures of Credit: Consumer Lending and Borrowing in Modern Economies
Conference at the GHI
Convener: Jan Logemann

Conference at the University of Heidelberg
Conveners: Madeleine Herren (University of Heidelberg) and Ines Prodöhl (GHI)

March 11 Germany Discovers the World: Scholarly Engagement with Foreign Cultures in the Age of Empire
Panel Discussion at the GHI
Speakers: Andreas Eckert (Humboldt University Berlin), Suzanne L. Marchand (Louisiana State University), and Anke Ortlepp (German Historical Institute)

March 20 Mid-Atlantic German History Seminar
Seminar at the GHI
Convener: Peter Jelavich (Johns Hopkins University)

April 21 The Other Alliance: Student Protest in West Germany and the United States in the Global Sixties
A book discussion at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
Speaker: Martin Klimke (GHI). Commentators: Michael Kazin (Georgetown University), Jeremy Varon (New School for Social Research)

April 29 Gerald D. Feldman Lecture: Writing the History of Capitalism
Speaker: Jürgen Kocka (Free University, Berlin)

April 30 The Stasi and its Foreign Intelligence Service
Workshop at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
May 12-15  
**16th Transatlantic Doctoral Seminar: Twentieth-Century German History**  
Seminar at the University of Jena  
Conveners: Roger Chickering (Georgetown University), Norbert Frei (Universität Jena), Richard F. Wetzell (GHI)

May 13  
**Thousands of Sites, Millions of Fates: New Insights into the Universe of Nazi Camps**  
Panel Discussion at the GHI, in collaboration with the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum  
Speakers: Geoffrey Megargee (USHMM) and Susanne Heim (Institut für Zeitgeschichte)

June 10-12  
**Anonymous Consumption: Rationalization, Mechanization, and Digitalization in the Twentieth Century**  
Conference at the GHI  
Conveners: Angelika Epple (Universität Bielefeld), Gary Cross (Penn State University), and Uwe Spiekermann (GHI)

June 15-24  
**Archival Summer Seminar in Germany 2010**  
Convener: Ines Prodöhl (GHI)

June 24  
**Eleventh Gerd Bucerius Lecture**  
Religion and Violence in a Globalized World  
Speaker: Wolfgang Huber

September 5-17  
**Bosch Foundation Archival Seminar for Young Historians: American History in Transatlantic Perspectives**  
Convener: Mischa Honeck

October 14-16  
**Feeding and Clothing the World: Cash Crops and Global History, 1900-1930**  
Conference at the GHI  
Convener: Ines Prodöhl (GHI Washington)

October 15-16  
**Globalizing Beauty: Body Aesthetics in the 20th Century**  
Conference at the GHI  
Conveners: Hartmut Berghoff (GHI Washington) and Thomas Kühne (Clark University)

November 4-6  
**Accidental Armageddons: The Nuclear Crisis and the Culture of the Second Cold War, 1975-1989**  
Conference at the GHI  
Conveners: Eckart Conze (University of Marburg), Martin Klimke (GHI Washington), Jeremy Varon (New School for Social Research, New York City)
November 11  Twenty-Fourth Annual Lecture of the GHI Lecture at the GHI

November 12  Nineteenth Annual Symposium of the Friends of the German Historical Institute: Award of the Fritz Stern Dissertation Prize Symposium of the GHI

December 9–11  History by Generations: Generational Dynamics in Modern History Conference at the GHI Conveners: Hartmut Berghoff (GHI Washington), Uffa Jensen (University of Göttingen), Christina Lubinski (GHI Washington), and Bernd Weisbrod (University of Göttingen)