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Conference at the Tulane University, New Orleans (LA)

Terrorism and Modernity: Global Perspectives on Nineteenth Century Political Violence

October 23 - 26, 2008

Conveners

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Program

Thursday, October 23

Bus Boarding Time at the Hotel: 5:15 pm

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6:00 pm

Welcome: Sam Ramer (Tulane University)

Introduction: Carola Dietze and Claudia Verhoeven:
Terrorism and Modernity: Global Perspectives on Nineteenth-Century Violence.

6:30 pm

Keynote-Lecture:

Alexander Demandt (Freie Universität Berlin)
Terrorism: A Timeless Topic

David Rapoport (UCLA)
The Distinctive Features of Modern Terrorism from the 1880s to the 2020s(?)

8:00 pm

Reception

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Friday, October 24

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9:00 – 10:30 am

Panel I.: PREMODERN

Chair: **Barbara B. Diefendorf** (Boston University)

Johannes Dillinger (Oxford Brookes University)
Forerunners of Terrorism and Nineteenth-Century Historians

Patrick Bahners (Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung)
The World Church of Terror: The Papacy after Lord Acton

Dan Edelstein (Stanford University)
Law and Terror: Toward a Theory of Totalitarian Justice

11:00 am – 12:30 pm **Panel II: INTELLECTUAL HISTORY**

Chair: **Oleg Budnitskii** (Academy of Science, Moscow)

Joshua D. Goldstein and Gavin Cameron (University of Calgary)
What is so Terrible about the Terror? Hegel, the French Revolution, and Contemporary Terrorism as Reenactment of Modernity

Klaus Ries (Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena)
Philosophy of the Act

Lynn Patyk (University of Florida)
Modern Terrorism and the Sensitive Heart

2:30 – 4:00 pm

Panel III.: WARS & THE TECHNOLOGY OF THE BOMB

Chair: **Martin A. Miller** (Duke University)

Andrew Zimmerman (George Washington University)
Barricade Warfare and the Origins of Revolutionary and Military Modernity

Ann Larabee (Michigan State University)
USA and International Distribution

Niall Whelehan (European University Institute)
End to Insurrection? Fenian Violence in the Late 19th Century

4:30 – 6:30 pm

Panel IV: BIG DEVELOPMENTS

Chair: **David Blackbourn** (Harvard University)

Christopher Ely (Florida Atlantic University)
Urban Space and Populist Terror in Russia, 1878-1881

Frithjof Benjamin Schenk (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität)
Attacking the Empire's Achilles Heels: Railroads and Terrorism in Czarist Russia

Mareike König (GHI Paris)
Terrorism, Migration and the fear of an International Complot: The Example of Germans in Paris, 1871-1895

Richard Bach Jensen (Louisiana Scholar's College)
Worldwide Anarchist Terrorism and its Repression, 1881-1914

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Saturday, October 25

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9:00 – 10:30 am

Panel V: COLONIAL & ANTI-COLONIAL ASSASSINATIONS

Chair: **Benedikt Stuchtey** (GHI London)

Michał Targowski (Nicolaus Copernicus University)
Against Colonialism or Social Inequities? Polish Terrorists in the Long Nineteenth Century

Timothy H. Parsons (Washington University)
Pacification or Terrorism? The Assassination of Koitalel arap Samoei

Neeti Nair (University of Virginia)
Gandhian "satyagraha" as Terrorism: The Limits to Non-Violence in Late Colonial India

11:00 am – 12:30 pm

Panel VI: COMPARISONS

Chair: **Adrian Guelke** (Queen's University of Belfast))

Moshe Zimmermann (Hebrew University Jerusalem)
Palestine/Israel

Gotelind Müller-Saini (Universität Heidelberg)
China and the "Anarchist Wave of Assassinations": Politics, Violence and Modernity in East Asia Around the Turn of the Twentieth Century

Peter Waldmann (Universität Augsburg)
Lack of Terrorism in Argentina in the late Nineteenth Century

2:30 – 4:30 pm

Panel VII: 19th c. INTERPRETATIONS & REACTIONS

Chair: **Isaac Land** (Indiana State University)

George Williamson (University of Alabama)
Creating Meaning through the State: Germany

Ulrich Sieg (Universität Marburg)
The Increasing Importance of Values: Reactions in German Philosophy after the Assassination Attempts Against Wilhelm I

Beverly Gage (Yale University)
Terrorism and the American Left, 1877-1920

Melanie Bailey (Centenary College of Louisiana)
Civilization or Barbarism? Violence and Terror in the French Revolutionary Tradition

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7:00 – 10:00 pm

Dinner on the Paddlewheeler "Creole Queen" (which leaves from #2 Canal Street)

Sunday, October 26

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9:00 – 10:30 am

Panel VIII: LEGACIES

Chair: **Jeffrey Kaplan** (University of Wisconsin, Oskosh)

Mark Driscoll (University of North Carolina)

Tokyo, 1923: Terror, Spectacle and the Origins of Modern Japan

Paul Miller (McDaniel College)

Compromising Memory: The Site of the Sarajevo Assassination

James L. Gelvin (UCLA)

Nationalism, Anarchism, Reform: Understanding Political Islam from the Inside-Out

11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Panel IX: Final Discussion

Chair: **Roni Dorot** (European University Institute)

Friedrich Lenger (Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen)

Opening Commentary

Lunch

Extra:

12:30 pm

Jeffry M. Diefendorf (University of New Hampshire)

Marline Otte (Tulane University)

The Reconstruction of New Orleans in Comparative Perspective

1:30 pm

Bus-tour: New Orleans after Katrina

Departure

PLEASE NOTE: - The lecture and whole of the conference will take place in the Lavin-Bernick Center (LBC- see below for directions). The LBC is number 29 on the Tulane campus map.

The lecture on October 23 will take place in the Qatar Ballroom of the LBC with reception to follow in the Faculty–Staff Dining Room of the LBC.

The rest of the conference will take place in the Stibbs Conference room, with the lunches on Friday, Saturday. and Sunday in the Faculty-Staff Dining Room of the LBC.

There is an information desk on the ground floor of the LBC where guests can ask for directions to the various rooms.