Call for Papers  
17th Transatlantic Doctoral Seminar  
German History 1500-1815  
Washington DC, May 18-21, 2011

The German Historical Institute in Washington DC and the BMW Center for German and European Studies at Georgetown University are pleased to announce the 17th Transatlantic Doctoral Seminar in German History, which will be devoted to the time period 1500-1815 and take place at the GHI Washington on May 18-21, 2011.

The seminar brings together young scholars from Europe and North America who are nearing completion of their doctoral degrees. We plan to invite up to eight doctoral students from each side of the Atlantic to discuss their research projects. The organizers welcome proposals on any aspect of German history in the period 1500-1815. Doctoral students working in related disciplines -- such as art history, legal history or the history of science -- are also encouraged to apply, as are students working on comparative projects or on the history of Austria or German-speaking Switzerland. The discussions will be based on papers (in German or English) submitted in advance of the conference. The seminar will be conducted bilingually, in German and English. The organizers will cover travel and lodging expenses.

We are now accepting applications from doctoral students whose dissertations are at an advanced stage but who will be granted their degrees after June 2011. Applications should include a short (2-3 pp.) description of the dissertation project, a curriculum vitae, and a letter of reference from the major dissertation advisor. German-speaking applicants should submit their materials in German; English-speaking applicants in English. Questions may be directed to Dr. Richard F. Wetzel by email at wetzel@gdi-dc.org.

Applications and letters of reference must be received by December 15, 2010. They should be submitted via email (preferably in pdf format) to Ms. Baerbel Thomas at b.thomas@ghi-dc.org. Letters of reference should be submitted directly by the dissertation advisor, preferably by email or by Fax to 1 (202) 483-3430. For further information on the GHI please go to: www.ghi-dc.org.

The next Transatlantic Doctoral Seminar (2012) will be devoted to German history in the nineteenth century; the 2013 Seminar to the twentieth century.