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**LUTHER'S LEGACY:
THE THIRTY YEARS WAR AND THE MODERN NOTION OF STATE IN
THE EMPIRE, 1530s TO 1790s**

21st March 2017, 5.30pm

Venue: German Historical Institute London

Panel Discussion with

Robert von Friedeburg, Mark Greengrass, Joachim Whaley and Peter H. Wilson

The discussion will be moderated by Hamish Scott

Is there a distinctive German concept of the state? When and under what circumstances did it emerge? What was its intellectual context? The renowned historian Robert von Friedeburg has presented a new interpretation of these much debated questions linking them to late-medieval and, in particular, Lutheran notions of the polity. The panel discussion will consider how this may affect our understanding of Germany in the early-modern period and beyond.

Robert von Friedeburg is Professor of Early Modern History at the Bishop Grosseteste University in Lincoln. He has published widely on early modern European intellectual and political history; **Mark Greengrass** is Professor emeritus of Early Modern History at the University of Sheffield. His areas of research are the political culture of early-modern France, on the Protestant Reformation and its impact; **Hamish Scott** is Professor emeritus of Early Modern History at the University of Glasgow. He specializes in the history of early modern international relations, the history of the German-speaking lands and early modern European nobilities; **Joachim Whaley** is Professor of German History and Thought at the University of Cambridge. His research interests lie in German history, thought and culture from 1500 to the present day; **Peter H. Wilson** is Chichele Professor of the History of War at the University of Oxford. His research interests are particularly the political, military, social, and cultural history of the Holy Roman Empire between 1495 and 1806.

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This lecture will be held at 5.30 p.m. in the Seminar Room of the German Historical Institute, 17 Bloomsbury Square, LONDON WC1A 2NJ.