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## Understanding Brexit. Britain and Europe in the Twentieth Century

19-20 April 2018, Institut für Zeitgeschichte, München

Conference organized by Andreas Gestrich, Michael Schaich (both GHIL), Andreas Wirsching and Martina Steber (both IfZ)

Thursday, 19 April

**2.00 – 2.30pm**

### Welcome

*Andreas Wirsching (München)*

### Introduction: Narratives of British Twentieth Century History

*Michael Schaich (London) and Martina Steber (München)*

**2.30 – 4.00 pm**

### Panel 1: Reluctant Partners? The UK and European Integration

*Chair: Klaus H. Goetz (München)*

James Ellison (Queen Mary, London): Rethinking Britain and Europe, 1945-73

Piers Ludlow (LSE): More Than Just an Awkward Partner? Britain's Experience of Community Membership Since 1973

*4.00 – 4.30 pm Coffee & Tea*

**4.30 – 6.00 pm**

### Panel 2: Democracy and Political Culture in Britain: Monarchy, Parliament and Parties

*Chair: Emily Robinson (Sussex)*

Dominik Geppert (Bonn): Brexit as a Product of Britain's Political Culture

Ben Jackson (Oxford): Conceptualising Brexit: Sovereignty and Pluralism in British Political Ideologies, 1979-2016

**7.00 – 8.30 pm** *Bayerische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Alfons-Goppel-Str. 11 (Residenz), 80539 München*

### Public Panel Discussion: Brexit. Zu Vergangenheit und Zukunft Großbritanniens in Europa [Brexit. On the Past and the Future of Britain in Europe]

*Chair: Andreas Wirsching, Institut für Zeitgeschichte München-Berlin*

*Discussants: Paul Lever, former British ambassador to Germany – Philip Oltermann, The Guardian – Gisela Stuart, former Labour M.P. – Andreas Gestrich, German Historical Institute London*

Friday, 20 April

**9.00 – 10.30 am**

### **Panel 3: The Heritage of Empire. Relationships around the Globe**

*Chair: Magnus Brechtken (München)*

Dane Kennedy (Washington): Brexit and Memories of Empire

Eckart Conze (Marburg): Special Relationships. Britain, Germany and the Dynamics of Transatlanticism

*10.30 – 11.00 am Coffee & Tea*

**11.00 – 12.30 am**

### **Panel 4: Cherishing the Market. The British Economy**

*Chair: Christiane Eisenberg (Berlin)*

Martin Daunton (Cambridge): One World or Two Worlds? Defining Britain's Place in the World Economy

Jim Tomlinson (Glasgow): Can De-Industrialization Explain the Brexit Vote?

*12.30 am – 2.00 pm Lunch*

**2.00 – 3.30 pm**

### **Panel 5: Society and Popular Culture**

*Chair: Frank Mort (Manchester)*

Lawrence Black (York): A Eurosceptic Culture?

Christina von Hodenberg (Queen Mary, London): Mass Media and Narratives of Nation-Building

*3.30 – 4.00 pm Coffee & Tea*

**4.00 – 5.30 pm**

### **Panel 6: Identity, Immigration and Race**

*Chair: Andreas Fahrmeir (Frankfurt)*

Elizabeth Buettner (Amsterdam): British Migration Fixations Since the Second World War: Europeans and Non-Europeans Compared

Mike Kenny (Cambridge): English Nationalism after Empire: Britannia Unchained or the Remaking of the English Working Class?

**5.30 – 6.00 pm**

### **Final Discussion**

*Chair: Andreas Gestrich (London)*