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Living the German Revolution 1918-19: Expectations, Experiences, Responses

German Historical Institute London
17 Bloomsbury Square
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18 – 20 October 2018

Conveners: Christopher Dillon (King's College London), Christina von Hodenberg (GHIL),
Steven Schouten (University of Amsterdam) and Kim Wünschmann (LMU München)

Thursday, 18 October 2018

13:30 Arrival and registration

14:00-14:15 Welcome and Introduction by the organisers

14:15-16:00 **Panel I: Living at Revolutionary Flashpoints**
Chair: Adam Sutcliffe (London)

Wiebke Wiede (Trier): The Wilhelmshaven Revolts 1917-1919: Social
Conditions and Experiences of the Revolution on a Naval Base

Christina Lipke (Hamburg): Everyday Life in revolutionary Hamburg
1918/19

Christopher Dillon (London): Varieties of Revolutionary Experience in
Provincial Bavaria

16:00-16:20 Tea & Coffee

16:20-18:00 **Panel II: Perspectives on Revolutionary Violence**
Chair: Mark Hewitson (London)

Anita Klingler (Edinburgh): Attitudes to political violence in early
interwar Britain and Germany: Glasgow and Munich, 1919

Thomas Blanck (Cologne): Revolutionary States of Exception: Urban
Violence in Munich and Fiume, 1918-20

Mark Jones (Berlin/Dublin): 100 Jahre Novemberrevolution:
Reflections upon the centenary of Germany's 'forgotten revolution'

18:30-20:00

Keynote Address

Chair: Christina von Hodenberg (London)

Benjamin Ziemann (Sheffield)
History in the Active Voice:
Rethinking the German Revolution 1918/1919

Friday, 19 October 2018

09:30-11:30

Panel III: Women and the German Revolution

Chair: Christopher Dillon (London)

Ingrid Sharp (Leeds): Beyond Rosa Luxemburg: Women in the German Revolution 1918/19

Corinne Painter (Leeds):
Writing the Revolution: Lola Landau and Cläre Jung

Matthew Stibbe (Sheffield Hallam): Understanding socialist women's perspectives on violence and the revolution: Germany, 1918-1920

11:30-12:00

Tea & Coffee

12:00-13:30

Panel IV: German Jews and the Revolution

Chair: Steven Schouten (Amsterdam)

Kim Wünschmann (Munich): Hopes and Fears: Responses of German Jews to the 1918/19 Revolution

Daniel Siemens (Newcastle): Headstone of Emancipation? The Revolution of 1918/19 and the German Jews

13:30-14:30

Sandwich Lunch

14:30-16:00

Panel V: Emotions and the Chronicling of Revolutionary History

Chair: Sebastian Gehrig (London)

Christina Morina (Amsterdam): The Republic at Last! Political and Emotional Responses to the Advent of Democracy in 1918/19

Nadine Rossol (Essex): Writing about a Revolution: Emotions and Agency of young People in the German Revolution 1918/19

16:00-16:30

Tea & Coffee

16:30-18:00

Panel VII: The Churches and the Revolution

Chair: Jim Bjork (London)

Ulrike Ehret (Munich):

Impious Hopes? Catholic Experiences of the Revolution 1918/1919 in Munich

Benedikt Brunner (Mainz): An unsettled Church? The German Revolution and its Implications for a New Order of the Protestant Churches in Germany

Saturday, 20 October 2018

09:00-10:30

Panel VII: Publishing Houses, Culture and Education

Chair: Paul Moore (Leicester)

Margarete Tiessen (Cambridge): 'Fateful Enormities': The Berlin Publishing House S. Fischer and the German Revolution

Steven Schouten (Amsterdam): Laboratory for Cultural Renewal: The 1918/19 German Revolution and the Foundation of the Waldorf School

10:30-11:00

Tea & Coffee

11:00-12:30

Panel VII: Revolutionary Ideas and Practices

Chair: Kim Wünschmann (Munich)

Darrow Schecter (Sussex): The German Revolution, Council Democracy and Radical Constitutional Theory

Andrew Donson (Amherst): *Arbeitsunlust*: A Social and Economic Analysis of the 'Reluctance to Work' in Germany, 1918/19

12:30-14:00

Concluding Roundtable Discussion

Chair: Steven Schouten (Amsterdam)

Discussants: Anthony McElligott (Limerick), Andrew Donson (Amhurst), Christina Morina (Amsterdam), Nadine Rossol (Essex).