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DANIEL SPEICH CHASSÉ (Lucerne)

will speak on

The 'Third World' as an Effect of the Social Sciences

at the German Historical Institute London, Seminar Room
on Wednesday, 31 January 2018, at 5.30 p.m.

The lecture will analyse the history of the term 'third world' since the early 1950s. The guiding question is how a plural world full of economic differences turned into the orderly fiction of nation-states—ranked according to their GDP. What is the cost of quantification in global political communication?

Daniel Speich Chassé is Professor of Global History at the University of Lucerne. His research interests lie in economic history, global history, the history of knowledge, environmental history, Swiss history, and modern African history. His publications include *Die Erfindung des Bruttosozialprodukts: Globale Ungleichheit in der Wissensgeschichte der Ökonomie* (2013) and (co-edited with Alexander Nützenadel) *Global Inequality after 2011* (2011).

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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.

Tea is served from 5.00 p.m. in the Common Room, and wine is available afterwards.

Guided tours of the Library are available one hour before the lecture.