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## SEMINARS — SPRING 2020

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### Modern German History Seminar

20 February **STEFANIE SCHÜLER-SPRINGORUM (Berlin)**

(Thursday) **Sex and Violence: Race Defilement in Nazi Germany**

Stefanie Schüler-Springorum studied modern history, ethnology, and political science at the universities of Göttingen and Barcelona, and received her Ph.D. from the University of Bochum in 1993. She was Director of the Institute for German-Jewish History and Professor at Hamburg University from 2001 to 2011; Head of the German branch of the Leo Baeck Institute from 2009; and since 2011 she has been Director of the Center for Research on Antisemitism in Berlin. This talk will look at the entanglement of antisemitism, gender, sexuality, and emotion in Nazi Germany. It will focus on Nazi Germany's violent practices and dynamics, which encompassed other forms of resentment and hostility, but treated men and women conspicuously differently in each case, as can be shown in the race defilement propaganda and persecution of the 1930s and 1940s. The paper will argue that the peculiar ambivalence of these cases was inherent in the attraction of Nazi propaganda and deterrence at the same time.

### Britain at Home and Abroad Seminar

12 March **JENNY PLEINEN (German Historical Institute London)**

(Thursday) **The Landed Gentry in British Politics after World War II: From Taxed Decadence to Subsidized Cultural Heritage**

Jenny Pleinen is a Research Fellow in Modern History at the GHIL. She received a Ph.D. in history for her study of Western European migration regimes after the Second World War. Her current research concerns the political economy of government redistribution in Britain since the middle of the nineteenth century. Her lecture will focus on the period after the Second World War, when the landed gentry's image in British politics underwent a fundamental reconfiguration, with demands for higher taxation losing momentum and a bipartisan consensus for public subsidies emerging. The lecture explores how this change came about and what role the invention of the 'stately home' as a key feature of British cultural heritage played in it.

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Seminars are held at 5.30 p.m. in the Seminar Room of the German Historical Institute, 17 Bloomsbury Square, LONDON WC1A 2NJ. No registration is necessary.

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

Guided tours of the Library are available before each seminar at 4.30 p.m.