

Arbeitskreis Deutsche England-Forschung
German Association for the Study of British History and Politics

**Debating Foreign Affairs:
Elites and Public Opinion in British
History, c. 1870-2000**

PROGRAMME

2001 Annual Conference
Katholische Akademie Wolfsburg Mülheim
24 – 26 May 2001

Programme

Thursday, May 24th, 2001

19:30

Panel Discussion

(in cooperation with the Deutsch-Englische Gesellschaft):

“At the Heart of Europe? Britain’s European Policy and Public Opinion - Problems and Perspectives”

Discussants:

Wolfgang J. Mommsen (Chair)

Anne Deighton, Oxford University

Leigh Turner, Counselor for Europ. Affairs, British Embassy

Friedrich Thelen, *Die Wirtschaftswoche*

Reception and Welcome

Friday, May 25th, 2001

8:00 Breakfast

Introduction

9:00 Welcome and Introduction

1. Session: Debating Foreign Affairs in the Age of Democratisation, 1870-1945

9:15 **Chair: Lothar Kettenacker**

Jürgen Elvert

British Perceptions of Germany and their Impact on British Foreign Policy at the Turn of the 20th Century

Daniel Gossel

The Influence of Mass Media: Lord Beaverbrook and his Empire Crusade

10:45 Coffee-Break

12:00 Daniel Porsch, Tübingen

Debating the War Guilt Question in Great Britain and Germany during the Inter-War Period. The role of the 'Royal Institute of International Affairs' and the 'Hamburger Institut für Auswärtige Politik' between government and public

Christian Haase, Berlin

Debating Foreign Affairs in a Transnational Context: The Anglo-German Königswinter Conferences in the 1950s

12:45 Lunch

2. Session: Debating Foreign Affairs in the Age of Global Interdependence, 1945-2000

14:15 **Chair: Gustav Schmidt**

Anne Deighton

The Cold War and the Rearmament of Western Germany

Gottfried Niedhart

Great Britain and the 'Ostpolitik' of the Federal Republic of Germany, 1966 - 1972

15:45 Coffee-Break

Discussion: Debating British Imperial Policy – The approach of Cultural History

16:15 **Chair: Wolfgang Mommsen**

Discussion:

Covert and Overt Propaganda: the British, the Empire and Foreign Affairs

Closing Remarks

18:00 Dinner

Saturday, May 26th, 2001

8:00 Breakfast

9:00 General Meeting of the Arbeitskreis Deutsche-England Forschung

11:00 End of the Conference