

NEW DIRECTIONS IN POSTWAR CONSERVATIVE THOUGHT A GERMAN-AMERICAN DIALOGUE

October 2-3, 2009
A.D. White House

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:00 am Light Breakfast

9:30 am

Introduction

Peter Hohendahl (Cornell University)

Education and the University

9:45 am

"Pseudo-Conservatism and Pseudo-Liberalism in American Higher Education since 1945: Contemporary Neo-Liberalism and the New Public Management"

Davydd Greenwood (Cornell University)

10:30 am

"Back to Innocence: Conservative Reconstructions of Children's and Young Adult Literature in Postwar West Germany"

Rüdiger Steinlein (Humboldt Universität zu Berlin)

11:15 am Coffee Break

11:30 am

"Allan Bloom's Plato"

Peter Gilgen (Cornell University)

12:15 pm Lunch (provided)

Political and Social Theory

1:30 pm

"James Burnham and Postwar German Conservative Thought"

Stephen Brockmann (Carnegie Mellon University)

2:15 pm

"Marx or Bismarck? The German Origins of Postwar US Realist International Thought"

William Scheuerman (Indiana University)

3:00 pm Coffee Break

3:15 pm

"Leo Strauss, the Straussians, and American Democracy"

Peter Hohendahl (Cornell University)

History, Memory

4:00 pm

"The Politics of Memory: German Wartime Memoirs and the Reconstruction of the German Military in the Nineteen-Fifties"

Manuel Köppen (Humboldt Universität zu Berlin)

4:45pm COFFEE Break

5:00 pm

"Machiavelli Among the German Historians (Meinecke, Ritter, Dehio)"

William Rasch (Indiana University)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

9:00am Light Breakfast

Law and the Political

9:30 am

"The Hitler/Holmes Controversy and the Crisis of Postwar Jurisprudence"

Casey Servais (Yeshiva University)

10:15 am

"Is there a Straussian Constitutionalism?"

Jason Frank (Cornell University)

11:00 am Coffee Break

11:15 am

"Carl Schmitt and Revolutionary International Law"

Isabel Hull (Cornell University)

12:00 pm Lunch (provided)

Culture, Religion and Philosophy

1:30 pm

"Religious Configurations of American Conservative Thought"

Reinhard Isensee (Humboldt Universität zu Berlin)

2:15 pm

"Political Theology and the Function of the Written Law"

Tracy McNulty (Cornell University)

3:00 pm Coffee break

3:15 pm

"Adult Germans or the New Faust"

Erhard Schütz (Humboldt Universität zu Berlin)

4:00 pm

"Carl Schmitt and Leo Strauss Read Heidegger"

Geoff Waite (Cornell University)

4:45 pm

Roundtable Discussion

Max Pensky (Binghamton University)

Joseph Vogl (Humboldt Universität zu Berlin)

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