



The Axis Alliance in Global Perspective International Conference

Kloster Hegne – Hotel St. Elisabeth, Konradstraße 12, 78476 Allensbach-Hegne
University of Konstanz
7–10 June 2017

Wednesday, 7 June 2017

2.30 pm

Welcome: Coffee and registration

3 pm

Opening remarks

Victoria de Grazia, Columbia University
Sven Reichardt, University of Konstanz

3.30 pm

PANEL I: THE AXIS ALLIANCE AND GEOPOLITICS

Ben Martin, Uppsala Universitet
**Interpreting the Axis through the History of
International Cultural Relations: Centers and
Peripheries in the Global Geo-Politics of Culture**

*Constantin Iordachi, Central European University,
Budapest*

**From Public Diplomacy to Geopolitics: The Nazi
“Neuordnung Europas” and the Romanian-
Bulgarian conflict**

Daniel Hedinger, LMU München

Why we need a Global History of the Axis

Commentator: *Bianca Gaudenzi, University of
Konstanz/Cambridge University*

7 pm

Dinner (Hotel St. Elisabeth)

Thursday, 8 June 2017

9 am

**PANEL II: THE AXIS ALLIANCE: EUROPE AND
ASIA**

Ken Ishida, Chiba University
**The Foreign Policy Decision-Making in
Comparison: Ultranationalist Japan and Fascist
Italy**

*Kai Hin Brian Tsui, The Hong Kong Polytechnic
University*
**Political Conversion in Anticipation of Global War
– Reforming Former Communists in Nationalist
China, 1927-1937**

Arnab Dutta, Universität Göttingen/Groningen
**In search of an orderly Europe: Germanism and
the Bengali travellers in the continental Europe,
1925-1945**

Commentator: *Jürgen Osterhammel, University of
Konstanz*

12 pm

Lunch Break (Hotel St. Elisabeth)

1 pm

PANEL III: EURAFRICA

Gian Luca Podestà, Bocconi Università, Milano
**Eurafrica. Vital Space, Demographic Planning and
the Division of Labor in the Italian Empire**

Robert Corban, Columbia University
**A Monroe-Doctrin for Mussolini: Geopolitics and
“Eurafrica” in Fascist Italy, 1930-1945.**

Commentator: *Martin Rempe, University of Konstanz*

4 pm

A guided walking tour in Konstanz to historical sites (in
English, duration: one hour) Start: Historische
Hafenuhr

6 pm

University of Konstanz, Senatssaal (V 1001)

Keynote

Geoff Eley (Ann Arbor)

What and When was the Second World War?

8 pm

Dinner (Restaurant Wessenberg)

Friday, 9 June 2017

9 am

PANEL IV: THE AXIS ALLIANCE: SPAIN AND LATIN AMERICA

Javier Rodrigo Sanchez, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

Where Everything Started: the International Fascists Alliance in the Spanish Civil War

Raanan Rein, Tel Aviv University

Fostering Pro-Axis Sentiment in the Western Hemisphere: Franco's Spain, the Falange, and Latin America

João Fabio Bertonha, Universidade Estadual de Maringá, Brazil

Between the Axis and the Allies. Cultural, geopolitical and ideological constraints in the Brazilian international relations during the 1930's

Commentator: *Kirsten Mahlke, University of Konstanz*

12 am

Lunch (Hotel St. Elisabeth)

1.30 pm

PANEL V: THE AXIS ALLIANCE AND ECONOMICS

Janis Mimura, Stony Brook University, New York

Axis Autarchy: The Economics and Geopolitics of Axis Trade

Jonas Scherner, NTNU, Trondheim

The Industria Axis? Expectations and Realities of Economic Cooperation

Commentator: *Alexander Nützenadel, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin*

3.30 pm

Coffee Break

4 pm

PANEL VI: OCCUPATION POLICY

Paolo Fonzi, Seconda Università di Napoli

German and Italian Occupation Policies in Greece: Competition and Annihilation Collaboration, 1941-1944

Amedeo Osti Guerazzi, Istituto Storico Germanico di Roma

Cultures of Total Annihilation: German, Italian and Japanese Counterinsurgency Strategies

Aristotle Kallis, Keele University

The unlikely internationalists: the Axis, the fascists, and the pursuit of genocide

Commentator: *Wolfgang Seibel, University of Konstanz*

7 pm

Dinner (Hotel St. Elisabeth)

Saturday, 10 June 2017

9 am

PANEL VII: AXIS ALLIANCE AND THE MUSLIM WORLD

David Motadel, London School of Economics

Anticolonial nationalists and Germany's war for a new world order, 1939-1945

Dilek Barlas, Koç University, Istanbul

Italian Challenge in the Mediterranean to the International World Order in the 1930s: the Case of Turkey

Kelly Anne Hammond, University of Arkansas

Connections and Convergences: Sino-Muslims and the Axis Powers beyond occupied China

Commentator: *Peter Wien, University of Maryland*

12 am

Roundtable

Moderator: *Franz Fillafer, University of Konstanz*

1.30 pm

Snacks and end of conference

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